

PRESS RELEASE

2016 BOTSWANA GENERAL CERTIFICATE FOR SECONDARY EDUCATION (BGCSE) RESULTS RELEASED

Botswana Examinations Council (BEC) has released the **2016** Botswana General Certificate for Secondary Education (BGCSE) examination results. A total of **35 465** candidates wrote the 2016 examination showing a decrease in candidature of **8.6%** compared to **2015** cohort of **38 796**. There were **15 148 (42.7%)** male candidates and **20 317 (57.3%)** female candidates sitting for the 2016 BGCSE Examination.

The BGCSE examination registered **25 016 (70.5%)** candidates from government and government-aided schools compared to **25 640 (66.1%)** in 2015 and **10 449 (29.5%)** private candidates compared to **13 156 (33.9%)** in 2015. The private candidates category included **3 645 (10.4%)** Back-to-School candidates, **3 019 (8.5%)** individual private candidates and **3 785 (10.7%)** candidates from private schools.

Since the BGCSE is a subject-based qualification with no aggregation, the measure used to gauge the performance of candidates is the proportion of candidates who were awarded Grade C or better in 5 syllabi. This year 6 368 (25.5%) candidates from government and government-aided schools were awarded Grade C or better in 5 syllabi compared to 6 291 (24.5%) in 2015. This shows a slight increase of 0.92%.

Symbols used in the Results

- **U** denotes that a candidate failed to meet minimum requirements for Grade G.
- X denotes that a candidate failed to meet the requirements for the award of a syllabus grade.

The distribution of the results will be done as follows:

- 1. **Individual Candidates**: Candidates will be able to access the results through the BEC Website as well as through SMS.
- 2. **Distribution to centres**: Centres will also be granted access to view and print the results reports through the Malepa application.
- 3. **Distribution to Regional Offices**: The Regional and Sub-Regional Heads will also be able to access the results through Malepa.

Candidates are informed that Statement of Results can be collected at designated locations across the country from 20th February to 3rd March, 2017 during working hours as follows:

- 1. All **government and private school candidates** should collect their Statements of Results from their respective schools as these will be printed by individual schools.
- 2. All **individual private candidates** should collect their Statements of Results from the following locations:

Table showing Collection Points for Statements of Results for 2016

Centre Number	Centre Name	Collection Point
BW860	Gaborone Private Centre	Botswana Examinations Council
BW861	Tsholofelo Private Centre	Botswana Examinations Council
BW862	Lobatse Private Centre	BOCODOL Regional Office Gaborone (Fairgrounds)
BW863	Palapye Private Centre	BOCODOL Regional Office- Palapye
BW864	Serowe Private Centre	Serowe Brigade- Mr. Memo
BW865	Selibe Phikwe Private Centre	Makhubu JSS- Mr. Letshola
BW866	Tlokweng Private Centre	Botswana Examinations Council
BW 882	Francistown Private Centre	Aerodrome Primary School- Fredah Mahaha
BW883	Lesedi Private Centre	BOCODOL Regional Office- Gaborone (Fairgrounds)
BW889	Mahalapye Private Centre	Parwe JSS- Mrs. Tsie
BW892	Naledi Private Centre	BOCODOL Regional Office- Gaborone (Fairgrounds)
BW898	Babusi Private Centre	Botswana Examinations Council
BW900	Kasane Private Centre	Plateau Primary School- Magadalena Lebalelo
BW904	BOCODOL Gaborone	BOCODOL Regional Office- Gaborone (Fairgrounds)
BW913	BOCODOL Kang	BOCODOL Regional Office- Kang
BW915	Maun Private Centre	BOCODOL Regional Office- Disaneng Maun
BW916	BOCODOL Letlhakane	Ditsweletse JSS- Mr. Nkebelele
BW917	BOCODOL Francistown	BOCODOL Regional Offices- Francistown
BW927	Gaborone West Private Centre	Botswana Examinations Council
BW974	Orapa Adult Centre	Orapa Adult Centre- Mr. Maphakwane

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Thank you.

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