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# ASSIGNMENT OF GRADE 6 STUDENTS INTO SECONDARY SCHOOLS FOR THE ACADEMIC YEAR 2020 AND TRANSFER PROCEDURES

#### OVERALL REPORT

#### **BACKGROUND**

Due to the challenges posed by the COVID-19 pandemic, in 2020, Grenada was unable to accommodate students for the sitting of the external component of the Caribbean Primary Exit Assessment (CPEA).

However, the Ministry of Education, Human Resource Development, Religious Affairs, and Information utilized the CPEA internal assessment scores and the Minimum Competency Test (MCT) Grade 5 scores to assist in the assignment of students to a secondary school, in a ratio of 2:1, respectively.

The 2020 internal component of the CPEA officially commenced in September 2019, while most of the present cohort wrote the MCT on June 12th, 2019. The Grade 6 students registered for the assessment were eleven (11) on, or will be before September 1<sup>st</sup>, 2020.

#### The Grade 6 assignment was based on the following

- CPEA Internal Assessment (67% of total score)
- MCT (33% of total score)

#### Features of the internal assessment include:

- Project
- Book Report
- Writing Portfolio
- Self-assessment
- Practice in "Can-Do" Skills: English, Mathematics, Science and Civics
- Teacher-made-Test in English, Mathematics, Science and Civics

### REGISTRATION AND SECONDARY SCHOOL ASSIGNMENT

One thousand eight hundred and seventy-two (1,872) students were registered for the Assessment. This figure included nine hundred and eighty-eight (988) males and eight hundred and eighty-four (884) females. However, one thousand seven hundred and forty-three students (1,743) were assigned to a secondary school throughout Grenada, Carriacou, and Petite Martinique. This number includes eight hundred eighty-four (884) males and eight hundred and fifty-nine (859) females. Therefore, the Ministry of Education retained one hundred and twenty-nine (129) students at the primary school; twenty-five (25) females and one hundred and four (104) males. These students will have another opportunity to write the Assessment in the academic year 2020- 2021.

In 2019, one thousand nine hundred and forty-nine (1, 949) students were registered for the CPEA; one thousand and eleven (1,011) were males, and nine hundred and thirty-eight (938) were females. However, one thousand seven hundred and ninety-nine (1,799) students were assigned to secondary schools.

Table 1: The number of students assigned to each secondary school 2020

		NUMBER ASSIGNED		
SECONDARY SCHOOLS	F	M	Grand Total	
ANGLICAN HIGH SCHOOL	105		105	
BEACON HIGH SCHOOL		4	4	
BISHOP'S COLLEGE	15	24	39	
BOCA SECONDARY SCHOOL	49	56	105	
GRENADA BOYS SECONDARY SCHOOL		140	140	
GRENADA CHRISTIAN ACADEMY	9	21	30	
GRENADA SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST COMPREHENSIVE	33	31	64	
GRENVILLE SECONDARY SCHOOL	33	70	103	
HAPPY HILL SECONDARY SCHOOL	37	47	84	
HILLSBOROUGH SECONDARY SCHOOL	17	27	44	
J.W. FLETCHER CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL	33	27	60	
MC DONALD COLLEGE	31	57	88	
PRESENTATION BROTHERS' COLLEGE		70	70	
ST ANDREW'S ANGLICAN SECONDARY SCHOOL	46	59	105	
ST DAVID'S CATHOLIC SECONDARY SCHOOL	46	57	103	
ST JOHN'S CHRISTIAN SECONDARY SCHOOL	26	21	47	
ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT (GRENVILLE)	105		105	
ST JOSEPH'S CONVENT (ST GEORGE'S)	105		105	

ST MARK'S SECONDARY SCHOOL	43	51	94
ST ROSE MODERN SECONDARY SCHOOL	25	34	59
WESLEY COLLEGE	37	33	70
WESTERHALL SECONDARY SCHOOL	53	47	100
WESTMORLAND SECONDARY SCHOOL	11	8	19
GRAND TOTAL	859	884	1743

The Ministry of Education assigned ninety-three point one percent (93.1%) of the Grade 6 students to a secondary school in 2020. In 2019, ninety-two point four percent (92.4%) of the CPEA candidates writing the assessment were placed at the secondary level.

Each primary school will receive its specific copy of the Grade 6 students' assignments to a secondary school with particulars for their students only. Therefore, the Ministry will not publish the comprehensive listing in 2020.

#### TRANSFER PROCEDURES

## Parents/guardians are asked to note carefully the transfer procedures:

- 1. Download the transfer form either from the Ministry of Education's website (education@gov.gd), Facebook page (<u>facebook.com/moegrenada/</u>), or request the form via <u>dceoexams@moe.gov.gd</u> or email the principal of the primary school where your child is registered.
- 2. Complete the form fully and email the completed form along with the evidence documentation for the transfer to <a href="mailto:dceoexams@moe.gov.gd">dceoexams@moe.gov.gd</a> with your signature by July 10th, 2020.
- 3. A panel will review the transfer requests and respond electronically by third week in July, 2020

#### **NOTE**

- The Ministry of Education will NOT ACCEPT any hard copies of completed transfer forms from parents, and accordingly, parents MUST refrain from making their request physically at the Examination's Unit.
- Parents who DO NOT have access to electronic means of submission can contact the Educational Testing and Measurement Unit via telephone to assist with the same.
- Late submission of transfer forms and incomplete forms WILL NOT be considered.

Based on students' performances and the number of students placed in the school of their
first choice, some schools have already met their CAPACITY. Therefore, the Ministry
of Education WILL NOT allow transfer to schools where the class size is already at its
maximum.

## **GROUNDS FOR TRANSFER REQUEST**

Transfers will only be allowed under the following strictly adhered to grounds:

- a. Change of residency of parents after the submission of placement forms (Parents
   MUST submit supporting documentation)
- b. The school has accommodation and special arrangements for physically challenged students via ramps, transportation, etc. (Parents MUST submit supporting documentation)
- c. Instances of social issues with severe psychological effects on the child being at this school. Please note that original documentation (s) signed by a medical practitioner, education consultant, or psychologist MUST accompany the transfer request.
- d. After the above considerations, should space be available, any other special circumstances will be taken into account.