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## PRESS RELEASE

### 2023 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATION (PSLE) RESULTS RELEASED

Botswana Examinations Council (BEC) has released the **2023** Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE) results.

A total of 52,235 (Fifty Two Thousand Two Hundred and Thirty Five) candidates wrote the 2023 examination showing an increase in candidature of 6% from the 2022 candidature of **49,333** (Forty Nine Thousand Three Hundred and Thirty Three). The 2023 cohort had **26,265** girls and **25,970** boys. The female candidates outperformed their male counterparts in all subjects.

The 2023 PSLE overall performance indicates that the proportion of candidates obtaining pass grades (**Grade E or better**), remains almost the same at (99.62%) as that of the previous year (99.88%). This implies that almost all candidates who sat the PSLE qualified for the award of the minimum grade. There were only 34 candidates who were unclassified, denoted by letter U. A total of 171 candidates did not satisfy minimum requirements for the award of a grade, denoted by letter X. The proportion of candidates obtaining credit grades (**Grade C or better**) has increased by 1.30% from 70.49% in 2022 to 71.79% this year.

The percentage of candidates obtaining **Grade A** in this examination has gone up by 1.86%, being an improvement from 18.41% in 2022 to 20.27% in 2023. The proportion of candidates obtaining **Grade B** or better has also improved by 1.63% from 36.33% in 2022 to 37.96% this year.

#### Symbols used in the Results:

- **U** denotes that a candidate did not meet the minimum requirements for Grade **E**.
- **X** denotes that a candidate did not meet the minimum requirements for the award of a syllabus grade.

The summary of the 2023 PSLE results is as follows:

Symbol/Grade	Number at grade	Percentage
Grade A	10,587	20.27%
Grade B	9,238	17.69%
Grade C	17,670	33.83%
Grade D	10,398	19.91%
Grade E	4,136	7.92%
U	34	0.07%
X	171	0.33%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>52,235</b>	

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 [www.bec.co.bw](http://www.bec.co.bw) as well as through the SMS line **16688** across all mobile networks.
- 2. Distribution to Centres:** The results will be distributed to the Regional Offices and to the Centres through courier services.
- 3. Distribution to Regional Offices:** Regional Offices will access the results reports through the Malepa system as well as CDs which will be delivered through courier services.

For further enquiries please contact BEC at **3650700** or use the toll-free line at **0080 601 025**.

Thank you.



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