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2021 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING EXAMINATION (PSLE) RESULTS RELEASED

Botswana Examinations Council (BEC) has released the **2021** Primary School Leaving Examinations (PSLE) results.

A total of **46,984** (Forty Six Thousand Nine Hundred and Eighty Four) candidates wrote the 2021 examination showing an increase in candidature of 2% from the 2020 candidature of **46,063** (Forty Six Thousand and Sixty Three). The 2021 cohort had **23,486** females and **23,498** males. The female candidates outperformed their male counterparts in all subjects.

The 2021 PSLE overall performance indicates that the proportion of candidates obtaining credit grades (**Grade C or better**) went down by of 1.16% from 73.15% in 2020 to 71.99% in 2021. Almost all candidates (99.84%) who sat the 2021 PSLE qualified for the award of a grade.

The percentage of candidates obtaining **Grade A** in this examination has remained at the same level though an insignificant decline of 1.49% from 20.11% recorded in 2020 and 18.62% in 2021 was observed. The proportion of candidates obtaining **Grade B** has also remained at the same level with an insignificant increase of 0.14% from 18.62% in 2020 to 18.76% in 2021. **Grade C** experienced a slight increase of 0.19% from 34.42% in 2020 to 34.61% in 2021. At the pass grades (**Grades D and E**), the proportion of candidates at **Grade D** increased insignificantly by 0.80% from 19.17% in 2020 to 19.97% in 2021. There has also been an insignificant increase of 0.38% from 7.50% in 2020 to 7.88% in 2021 at **Grade E**.

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 2021 PSLE results is as follows:

Symbol/Grade	Candidature	Percentage	Cumulative
Grade A	8,748	18.62%	18.62%
Grade B	8,814	18.76%	37.38%
Grade C	16,261	34.61%	71.99%
Grade D	9,383	19.97%	91.96%
Grade E	3,702	7.88%	99.84%
U	52	0.10%	99.94%
X	24	0.06%	100.0%
TOTAL	46,984		

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 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.

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Thank you.



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