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RELEASE OF 2026 PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION AND JUNIOR CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION RESULTS

The Malawi National Examinations Board (MANEB) in conjunction with the Ministry of Education, Science and Technology has released the 2026 Primary School Leaving Certificate of Education (PSLCE) and Junior Certificate of Education (JCE) examination results.

A. PRIMARY SCHOOL LEAVING CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION RESULTS

For a candidate to pass the PSLCE examination he/she must obtain **passes** in **Five (5)** subjects including English.

1. Out of the **245,048** candidates who sat for this examination, **198,903** have passed. This represents **81.17%** pass rate.
2. Out of the **118,511** male candidates who sat for this examination, **101,548** have passed. The represents **85.69%** pass rate.
3. Out of the **126,537** female candidates who sat for this examination, **97,355** have passed. This represents **76.94%** pass rate.
4. Out of the **2,726** Special Needs Education (SNE) candidates who sat for this examination, **1,949** have passed. This represents **71.50%** pass rate.

5. Out of the **1,383** male SNE candidates who sat for this examination, **1,016** have passed. This represents **73.46%** pass rate.
6. Out of the **1,343** female SNE candidates who sat for this examination, **933** have passed. This represents **69.47%** pass rate.
7. The performance of **education divisions**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, is: **North** (19.65%), **Central West** (18.00%), **South West** (14.78%), **Shire Highlands** (14.14%), **South East** (14.14%), and **Central East** (11.71%).
8. The **top ten (10) education districts**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Zomba Urban** (29.13%), **Mzuzu City** (26.91%), **Lilongwe West** (25.73%) **Rumphi** (25.62%), **Phalombe** (22.72%), **Chitipa** (22.05%), **Mchinji** (19.78%), **Blantyre Urban** (19.68%), **Karonga** (19.40%) and **Nkhatabay** (18.79%).
9. The **bottom ten (10) education districts**, based on proportion of As and Bs in ascending order, are: **Neno** (3.87%), **Chiradzulu** (7.56%), **Nkhotakota** (8.21%), **Mwanza** (8.28%), **Blantyre Rural** (10.00%), **Balaka** (10.52%) **Kasungu** (10.98%), **Machinga** (11.21%), **Ntchisi** (11.56%) and **Ntcheu** (11.91%).
10. The **ranking of subjects**, based on proportion of As and Bs, in descending order is; **English** (27.95%), **Social and Religious Studies** (27.75%), **Chichewa** (13.91%), **Mathematics** (11.26%), **Primary Science** (9.67%) and **Arts and Life Skills** (3.67%).
11. Out of **198,903 candidates** who have passed this examination, **110,522** have been selected to start Form 1 in various secondary schools of which **55,994** are boys and **54,528** girls. This represents **55.57%** transition rate. This is higher than **47.59%** for 2025.
12. Out of the **1,949** SNE candidates who passed this examination, **901** have been selected of which **463** are boys and **438** are girls.

B. JUNIOR CERTIFICATE OF EDUCATION EXAMINATION RESULTS

For a candidate to pass the Junior Certificate of Education (JCE) examinations he/she must obtain **Passes** in at least **six subjects** including **English**.

1. Out of the **154,880** candidates who sat for this examination, **125,777** have passed. This represents **81.21%** pass rate.
2. Out of the **75,888** male candidates who sat for this examination, **63,774** have passed. This represents **84.04%** pass rate.
3. Out of the **78,992** female candidates who sat for this examination, **62,003** have passed. This represents **78.49%** pass rate.
4. Out of the **978** Special Needs Education (SNE) candidates who sat for this examination, **806** have passed. This represents **82.41%** pass rate.
5. Out of the **480** male SNE candidates who sat for this examination, **396** have passed. This represents **82.50%** pass rate.
6. Out of the **498** female SNE candidates who sat for this examination, **410** have passed. This represents **82.33%** pass rate.
7. Out of the **115,977** internal candidates who sat for this examination, **103,438** have passed. This represents **89.19%** pass rate.
8. Out of the **12,070** external candidates who sat for this examination, **7,558** have passed. This represents **62.62%** pass rate.
9. Out of the **26,833** Open and Distance Learning (ODL) candidates who sat for this examination, **14,781** have passed. This represents **55.09%** pass rate.
10. Out of the **4,229** candidates who sat for this examination at **National** secondary schools, **3,855** have passed. This represents **91.16%** pass rate.

11. Out of the **8,601** candidates who sat for this examination at **District Boarding** secondary schools, **7,615** have passed. This represents **88.54%** pass rate.
12. Out of the **7,002** candidates who sat for this examination at **City Day** secondary schools, **6,028** have passed. This represents **86.09%** pass rate.
13. Out of the **5,972** candidates who sat for this examination at **District Day** secondary schools, **4,904** have passed. This represents **82.12%** pass rate.
14. Out of the **97,392** candidates who sat for this examination at **Community Day** secondary schools, **77,642** have passed. This represents **79.72%** pass rate.
15. Out of the **31,684** candidates who sat for this examination at **Private** secondary schools, **25,733** have passed. This represents **81.22%** pass rate.
16. The performance of **education divisions**, based on proportion of As and Bs, in descending order, is as follows: **Shire Highlands** (19.11%), **South East** (16.70%), **Central East** (16.66%), **North** (16.09%), **Central West** (14.92%) and **South West** (13.75%).
17. The **top ten (10) education districts**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Zomba Urban** (26.95%), **Phalombe** (23.51%), **Chiradzulu** (22.27%), **Karonga** (22.21%), **Mzuzu City** (21.97%), **Mulanje** (20.48%), **Dedza** (19.89%), **Dowa** (18.66%), **Salima** (18.46%) and **Balaka** (18.22%).
18. The **bottom ten (10) education districts**, based on proportion of As and Bs in various subjects, ranked in ascending order, are: **Nsanje** (8.30%), **Neno** (8.38%), **Ntcheu** (9.11%), **Mzimba North** (9.27%), **Mwanza** (9.40%), **Machinga** (11.73%), **Zomba Rural** (12.64%), **Chikwawa** (12.80%), **Blantyre Rural** (12.87) and **Lilongwe East** (13.14%).

19. The **top ten (10) schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Ludzi Girls** (95.71%, Mchinji), **St Mauritius** (Rumphi, 94.98%), **Jalira Girls** (Rumphi, 93.89%), **St Kizito Seminary** (Dedza, 90.67%), **Bakhita (Pvt)** (Balaka, 89.96%), **Robert Blake** (Dowa, 89.64%), **Loyola Jesuit** (Kasungu, 89.63%), **St Mary's** (Zomba Urban, 89.57%), **Marist (Pvt)** (Dedza, 85.01%) and **Lilongwe Islamic** (Lilongwe West, 83.78%).
20. The **bottom ten (10) schools** are ranked based on pass rate in ascending order as follows: **Ajemson (Pvt)** (Lilongwe City, 0.00%), **Joy (Pvt)** (Mangochi, 30.00%), **H & C (Pvt)** (Blantyre Urban, 30.77%), **Thitimira Community** (Mzimba North, 32.76%), **Maloto (Pvt)** (Zomba Urban, 33.33%), **New Vision (Pvt)** (Zomba Rural, 33.33%), **Nkhatabay Unified (Pvt)** (Nkhatabay, 33.33%), **Mtemambalame Community** (Lilongwe West, 36.11%), **Solusi Academy (Pvt)** (Blantyre Rural, 37.93%) and **Chipiloni (Pvt)** (Blantyre Urban, 38.10%).
21. The **top ten (10) national secondary schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Ludzi Girls** (95.71%, Mchinji), **St Mauritius** (Rumphi, 94.98%), **Jalira Girls** (Rumphi, 93.89%), **Robert Blake** (Dowa, 89.64%), **Loyola Jesuit** (Kasungu, 89.63%), **St Mary's** (Zomba Urban, 89.57%), **Mzuzu Government** (Mzuzu City, 83.01%), **Dedza** (Dedza, 82.71%), **Likuni Boys** (Lilongwe West, 81.7%) and **Lilongwe Girls** (Lilongwe City, 81.6%).
22. The **bottom ten (10) national secondary schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in ascending order, are: **SBVM Mpalankhanga SNE** (Zomba Rural, 6.15%), **St Michaels Girls** (Mangochi, 55.97%), **Malosa** (Zomba Rural, 58.04%), **Providence** (Mulanje, 61.50%), **Stella Maris** (Blantyre City, 64.80%), **Robert Laws** (Mzimba North, 65.62%), **St John Bosco** (Mzimba South, 70.93%), **Nkhatabay** (73.67%), **Mlanda Girls** (Ntcheu, 74.94%) and **Kaseye Girls** (Chitipa, 75.08%).

23. The **top ten (10) district boarding schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Salima** (81.91%), **M'mbomba** (Ntchisi, 77.60%), **Mulunguzi** (Zomba Urban, 74.58%), **Masongola** (Zomba Urban, 72.97%), **Mulanje** (71.16%), **Mangochi** (71.14%), **Lisumbwi** (Mangochi 69.20%), **Phalombe** (69.05%), **Mzimba** (Mzimba South, 68.69%) and **Nkhotakota** (65.25%).
24. The bottom 10 **district boarding schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in ascending order, are: **Mayani** (Dedza, 29.06%), **Wenya** (Chitipa, 29.35%), **Umbwi** (Dedza, 33.00%), **Likoma** (33.36%), **Magawa** (Mchinji, 33.91%), **Ntcheu** (34.65%), **Chitipa**, (34.69%), **Gawani** (Mulanje, 38.71%), **Rumphi** (39.75%) and **Mchinji** (40.85%).
25. The **ranking of City Day schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, is: **Chichiri** (Blantyre Urban, 55.23%), **Ndirande Hill** (Blantyre Urban, 51.44%), **Zingwangwa** (Blantyre Urban, 45.81%), **Mlodza Community - Lilongwe** (Lilongwe City, 45.07%), **Katoto** (Mzuzu City 44.98%), **Mkwichi** (Lilongwe City, 44.40%), **Kabwabwa Community** (Lilongwe City, 44.09%), **Bwaila** (Lilongwe City, 43.62%), **Luwinga** (Mzuzu City, 41.26%), **Bangwe** (Blantyre City, 35.77%), **Chinsapo** (Lilongwe City, 32.77%), **Chibavi Community** (Mzuzu City, 32.39%), **Chipasula** (Lilongwe City, 31.00%), **Njamba** (Blantyre Urban, 30.31%), **Soche Hill** (Blantyre City, 30.21%), **Malindi** (Mangochi, 20.26%), **Likangala** (Zomba Urban, 11.30%), and **Mbidzi Community** (Lilongwe City, 10.71%).
26. The **top ten (10) District Day schools**, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Michesi** (Phalombe, 39.97%), **Chambe** (Mulanje, 36.31%), **Nalikule Demonstration** (Lilongwe East, 35.25%), **Liwonde** (Machinga, 31.54%), **Bzyanzi** (Dowa, 30.74%), **Kang'oma** (Lilongwe East, 30.43%), **Malimba** (Chiradzulu, 29.71%), **Mbenjere** (Machinga, 28.51%), **Chiwale** (Neno, 28.39%), **Namikasi** (Blantyre Rural, 28.17%).

27. The **bottom ten (10) District Day** schools, based on proportion of As and Bs in ascending order, are; **Chingale** (Zomba Rural, 4.24%), **Malombe** (Mangochi, 6.54%), **Mzenga** (Nkhatabay, 7.27%), **St Francis** (Mzimba South, 9.03%), **Mkanda** (Mchinji, 10.54%), **Walemere** (Nkhotakota, 11.05%), **Mwansambo** (Nkhotakota, 11.11%), **Maghemo** (Karonga, 11.53%), **Domasi Demonstration** (Zomba Rural, 11.72%), **Chapananga** (Chikwawa, 12.98%).
28. The **top ten (10) Community Day** schools, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **Chikhwaza** (Mulanje, 62.32%), **St. Charles Lwanga** (Balaka, 47.07%), **Sambanjati** (Phalombe, 42.38%), **Christian Liebig** (Blantyre Rural, 38.73%), **Karonga C. C. A. P Girls** (Karonga, 37.75%), **Nkhulambe** (Phalombe, 37.05%), **Nchalo** (Chikwawa, 35.32%), **Nyanje** (Karonga, 31.33%), **Misale** (Mchinji, 29.97%) and **Masalani** (Chiradzulu, 27.29%).
29. The **bottom ten (10) Community Day** schools are ranked based on pass rate in ascending order, are: **Thithimira** (Mzimba North, 32.76%), **Mtemambalame** (Lilongwe West, 36.11%), **Mokhotho** (Ntcheu, 39.53%), **Nthumba** (Mzimba North, 40.00%), **Katsumwa** (Lilongwe West, 46.21%), **Kamwe** (Mzimba North, 46.43%), **Mlindi** (Neno, 48.57%), **Chigude** (Mzimba North, 50.00%), **Ngokwe** (Machinga, 50.00%) and **Mikundi** (Lilongwe West, 50.00%).
30. The **top ten (10) private** schools, based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order, are: **St Kizito Seminary** (Dedza, 90.67%), **Bakhita** (Balaka, 89.96%), **Marist** (Dedza, 85.01%), **Lilongwe Islamic** (Lilongwe West, 83.78%), **Nankhunda Seminary** (Zomba Rural, 83.33%), **Chaminade Marianist** (Lilongwe West, 82.26%), **St Pius XII Seminary** (Chiradzulu, 80.68%), **Mlare Seminary** (Lilongwe East, 79.68%), **Dedza Girls Islamic** (Dedza, 74.43%) and **St Patrick's Seminary** (Rumphi, 67.86%).

31. The **bottom ten (10) Private schools** are ranked based on pass rate in ascending order as follows: **Ajemson** (Lilongwe City, 0.00%), **Joy** (Mangochi, 30.00%), **H & C** (Blantyre Urban, 30.77%), **New Vision** (Zomba Rural, 33.33%), **Nkhatabay Unified** (Nkhatabay, 33.33%), **Maloto** (Zomba Urban, 33.33%), **Solusi Academy** (Blantyre Rural, 37.93%), **Chipiloni** (Blantyre Urban, 38.10%), **Dalitso - Nsanje** (Nsanje, 40.00%) and **ETF** (Zomba Urban, 40.91%).

32. The **performance on subjects** based on proportion of As and Bs in descending order are: **Woodwork** (65.57%), **Technical Drawing** (48.95%), **Metal Work** (48.57%), **Home Economics** (34.19%), **French** (33.52%), **Business Studies** (29.75%), **Geography** (18.96%), **History** (18.63%), **Bible Knowledge** (18.07%), **Chemistry** (17.86%), **Computer Studies** (14.83%), **Agriculture** (14.27%), **English** (14.05%), **Clothing and Textiles** (12.53%), **Mathematics** (11.08%), **Chichewa** (10.38%), **Creative Arts** (9.68%), **Physics** (7.85%), **Social and Life Skills** (7.26%) and **Biology** (4.93%).

ACCESSING EXAMINATION RESULTS

Examination centres and candidates will access their results **online**. **Examination centres** will be able to access results through their **e-Registration Portal**. The results will be available in downloadable PDF documents for the schools. Individual **candidates** or their parent/guardian will be able to access results on the **MANEB Examination Results Portal** available on <https://maneb.malawi265.com/examresults/>. To ensure security, a candidate's results will be retrieved using the correct examination number and date of birth.

PSLCE candidates will confirm their selection to Secondary Schools by visiting <https://selection.education.gov.mw>, entering the correct Examination Number then clicking **SHOW RESULTS**.

All candidates wishing to query their 2026 PSLCE and JCE results should do so in writing through the heads of schools where they registered for the examinations.

All queries should reach MANEB by **15th September, 2026**. After this date no further queries will be entertained.



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