

MEDIA RELEASE

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Dear Editor / Head of Department,

Incident-Free Administration of the Secondary Entrance Assessment (SEA) 2024

On Thursday 21st March, 2024, the Secondary Entrance Assessment (SEA) was conducted at the five hundred and forty-eight (548) centers across Trinidad and Tobago.

Dr. the Honourable Nyan Gadsby-Dolly, Minister of Education, expressed satisfaction with the administration and security measures which led to the efficient execution of the examination, and commends all stakeholders for their active involvement.

This year a total of 18,246 students were registered to write the SEA examination, comprising 9,170 males and 9,076 females. In Trinidad, 17,248 candidates registered, while 998 candidates registered in Tobago. Students who registered, but were unable to write the examination, will be offered the opportunity to write the supplemental examination on Thursday 18th April, 2024.

The Ministry of Education also continues to support Special Education Needs students through the provision of concessions. This year 447 students received concessions in Trinidad and 21 in Tobago. These students were afforded concessions such as extra time, Sign Language Interpretation, large print or Braille scripts, preferential seating and the provision of a writer or reader.

Dr. the Honourable Nyan Gadsby-Dolly, Minister of Education noted that "the effective oversight of 548 examination centers for the SEA Examination would not have been achieved without the unwavering support of the Ministry's various stakeholders. These include teachers, principals, and school supervisors who offered their services to invigilate and monitor the examination; the staff of Ministry of Education, as well as janitorial staff and, security personnel involved in creating safe and comfortable spaces for the nation's students.

Furthermore, our gratitude extends to partners such as the Ministry of National Security, the Commissioner of Police and the Trinidad and Tobago Police Service (TTPS), National Maintenance Training and Security Company (NMTS), Trinidad and Tobago Electricity Commission (T&TEC), Water and Sewerage Authority (WASA), and other entities whose contributions have been instrumental in ensuring the success and integrity of the examination process".

The Ministry of Education expects that the SEA 2024 results will be available for viewing/downloading by students and principals from the SEA Portal during the first week of July 2024. Further information on the exact date will be released closer to that time.

The Ministry congratulates all SEA students on the achievement of this important milestone, and wishes them a happy Easter vacation.

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