



# **Examinations Council of Eswatini (ECESWA)**

## **Lesotho and Eswatini Examinations Syndicate (Junior Certificate)**

### **November 2026 Examination Session**

**Procedures for the Preparation and Submission of Entries**

**For use by Examinations Council Centres**

**(ECESWA)**

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## 1. Important Deadline Dates

Registration Period	- 27 February 2026
Submission of registration corrections by Centres- First deadline	- 10 April 2026
Access Arrangements	- 31 March 2026
Submission of registration corrections by Centres- Second deadline	- 29 May 2026
Transfers	- 30 September 2026

### **Note:**

1. **All candidates are to be registered regardless of whether exam fees are paid or not.**
2. Refer to Fees document for payment deadline dates.

**INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF ENTRIES FOR THE  
JUNIOR CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION  
NOVEMBER 2026 EXAMINATION SESSION**

## 2. Introduction

These instructions apply to entries for the Junior Certificate Examination to be taken in the November 2026 Examination Session.

## 3. Syllabus Information

Syllabus information, including syllabus numbers, is contained in the syllabus keys provided with these instructions. **A candidate is not permitted to enter for the same syllabus codes at two Centres in the same examination session.**

## 4. Method of Entry

Centres are required to submit their entries via the eRegistration system. You can easily access it through this link: <https://eregistration.examsCouncil.org.sz/registration>

This platform allows you to register in bulk using the Registration Excel spreadsheet or submit individual entries. The Registration Excel spreadsheet will be emailed to centres or can be downloaded directly from the ECESWA website, or via this link: <https://www.examsCouncil.org.sz/exam-administration/keydates.php>

**Centres are reminded of the importance of submitting accurate entry data. The materials supplied to Centres after the receipt of entries, including such items as question papers, coursework or internally assessed mark sheets and attendance registers, are dependent upon those entries, as is the subsequent processing of candidates' marks, grades, results and certificates.**

## 5. Final Date for the Receipt of Entries

Centres should register their candidates as soon as possible. The final date for the receipt of entries at ECESWA is **27<sup>th</sup> February 2026**. The first deadline for amendments is **10<sup>th</sup> April 2026** and the second deadline for amendments is **29<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. After this date there will be a period in which late entries and amendments to entries can be made for which, further charges will be applied. The deadline for late entries is on the **30<sup>th</sup> June 2026**. **After 30<sup>th</sup> June 2026, candidates must take the syllabuses for which they are entered, and candidates will only be allowed to write examinations which are shown on the Registration Report.**

## 6. Full Time / Private Candidates

Students who are enrolled full-time at a Centre are classified as Full-Time (School) candidates, while all other candidates are considered Private candidates. Entry details and Statements of results will be sent to the Centre, which the Centre will then pass on to the respective candidates. If there are any questions regarding the results, these should be directed to ECESWA by the Centre via email at: [results@examsCouncil.org.sz](mailto:results@examsCouncil.org.sz)  
Students who have been entered as Private candidates are identified separately in summaries of the Centre's results.

**NOTE: No one is allowed to register as both a Full-Time (School) candidate and a Private candidate.**

## 7. Candidate Numbering

A candidate number will be generated automatically by eRegistration system. For each candidate a unique number within the range 1 to 9999 will be used. All subsequent lists of candidates provided will be in candidate number order.

## 8. Eswatini ID

Every candidate is required to provide his/her Eswatini PIN number. The Eswatini PIN number is compulsory for all candidates. The PIN number is important for security and tracking of the candidate. Foreign candidates who do not have Eswatini PIN number may provide their country's PIN numbers or passport numbers.

## 9. Submission of Examination Entries

The efficiency of the administration of the examinations depends primarily upon the accuracy of the entry data that is first submitted to ECESWA. Much of the subsequent administration, including the distribution of question papers, Attendance Registers, Results and Certificates etc., stems from the entry data. If the entry data is incorrect then much that follows will also be inaccurate, leading to frustration for Centres and candidates. It is therefore extremely important that the entry data supplied by Centres is accurate and complete when it is received at ECESWA on or before the closing date for entries. Amendments should be confined to unforeseen circumstances and they should be notified to ECESWA using the approved method (see **13 Entry Amendments** below) as soon as they are known to the Centre. Centres should not assume that entry amendments or changes have been processed until they receive confirmation through computer-printed documents.

## 10. Capturing candidates' entries using eRegistration

Entries must be made using an Excel Spreadsheet file. After the candidates have been captured, the excel file must be uploaded on to the eRegistration System. Centres can also capture individual entries on the eRegistration system by clicking on the "+one" icon and fill in the required information and syllabuses.

**Note:** Candidates classified as OVC should be indicated correctly in the Microsoft Excel spreadsheet file.

## 11. Billing Statement

After entries have been received by ECESWA, a Billing Statement will be produced and sent to Centres by email. Centres will use the Billing Statement to pay exam fees for NON OVC candidates. Payment may be made at any of the following bank accounts:

### BANKING DETAILS

NAME OF BANK	ACCOUNT NUMBER	BRANCH CODE
NEDBANK	020000026458	360164
FIRST NATIONAL BANK	62022235388	280164
STANDARD BANK	9110004571749	663164

Centres must ensure that Centre number and Name of Centre are written as a reference.  
Proof of payment must be emailed to: [payments@examsCouncil.org.sz](mailto:payments@examsCouncil.org.sz)

## 12. Documents you will receive as a Result of Making Entries

Centres should **not** assume that their entries have been received and processed until the documents listed below have been received.

- **Statements of Entry**  
A Statement of Entry for each candidate.
- **Entries by Centre**  
A Centre summary of entries showing the total number of examination entries by syllabus.
- **Registration Report**  
A candidate entry listing showing the entry details of each candidate entered for the examination.

## 13. Entry Amendments

Upon receipt of Registration Report, amendments including deletions must be made and submitted to ECESWA not later than the **29<sup>th</sup> May 2026**. Heads of Centres are advised to involve subject teachers to help candidates choose correctly syllabuses. Amendments must be made on the Registration report and signed by the candidate and the Head of Centre.

Late Entry Deadline is **30<sup>th</sup> June 2026**.

## 14. Entry Exclusions

Candidates are **not** allowed to choose subjects with identical titles at the same examination session.

The internal assessment of oral and practical assessment will be carried out in appropriate subjects. In addition, Centres may offer Coursework (school-based assessment) subjects where such components are compulsory provided that ECESWA is satisfied that suitable and reliable moderation can be achieved. Teachers must be trained and accredited in the appropriate subjects before Centres may undertake any internal assessment.

## 15. Transfer of Candidates

ECESWA must receive both the Candidate Transfer Request Form and Transfer Confirmation Form from the accepting Centre and the Centre transferring the candidate before the transfer will be actioned. The Accepting Centre must submit both Transfer Request and Transfer Confirmation forms and proof of payment. The forms can be obtained and downloaded from ECESWA website. Please refer to your Handbook for Centres on how to handle Transfers.

Transfer deadline is **30<sup>th</sup> September 2026**.

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### APPENDIX 1: Entering for an Examination

#### A Notice to all Candidates

Before your Centre submits its entries to ECESWA, you will be asked to check your entry and confirm that it is correct.

You must pay particular attention to the following points:

A Are your forenames (first names) and your family name (surname) spelt correctly? This is most important, because certificates show the names given on the Excel Spreadsheet File. Centre and candidate details including the spelling of name, date of birth and PIN number must be checked when Statements of Entry (and Statements of Results) are issued. Any inaccuracies must be reported to ECESWA immediately upon discovery and prior to the issue of certificates.

B Are your date of birth, gender, Eswatini PIN/ Foreign PIN correctly shown?

C Have you been entered for all the syllabuses you are taking?

D Is the total number of syllabuses you are taking shown correctly?

You must realise that in checking your entry you are taking responsibility for its accuracy.

***A copy of this notice should be displayed where candidates can read it, or it should otherwise be brought to their attention before they check their entries.***

APPENDIX 2: KEY TO JC SYLLABUSES (in syllabus code order):

SYLLABUS NAME AND CODE	COMPONENT INFORMATION	WEIGHTING	OPTION CODE	NOTES	ACCESS TO GRADES
<b>ENGLISH LANGUAGE</b> 101	1: Paper 1 – Reading/Writing	50		Compulsory for full time candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2 – Continuous Writing	50			
	3: Paper 3 – Listening Comprehension	25		<b>Option Code</b>	
	4: Paper 4 – Speaking (Orals)	15		<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2, 3, 4
<b>ENGLISH LITERATURE</b> 120	1: Paper 1	60		Compulsory for full time candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	20			
				<b>Option Code</b>	
				<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2
<b>FRENCH</b> 202	1: Paper 1	70			Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	30			
	3: Paper 3 – Speaking (Orals)	50		<b>Option Code</b>	
				<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2
<b>SISWATI</b> 207	1: Paper 1	35		Compulsory for full time candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	70			
	3: Paper 3	80		<b>Option Code</b>	
				<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2, 3
<b>MATHEMATICS</b> 309	1: Paper 1	100		Compulsory for full time candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	100			
				<b>Option Code</b>	
				<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2

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SYLLABUS NAME AND CODE	COMPONENT INFORMATION	WEIGHTING	OPTION CODE	NOTES	ACCESS TO GRADES
<b>SCIENCE 414</b>	1: Paper 1 – Multiple Choice	40		Compulsory for full time candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	80			
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	
<b>AGRICULTURE 516</b>	1: Paper 1 – Multiple Choice	100		Not allowed to private candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	100			
	3: Paper 3 – Coursework	200			
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2, 3	
<b>ADDITIONAL MATHEMATICS 519</b>	1: Paper 1	100			Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	
<b>BOOKKEEPING AND ACCOUNTS 520</b>	1: Paper 1	100		To be taken with 521 for Fulltime candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	100			
			<b>Option Code</b>		
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	
<b>BUSINESS STUDIES 521</b>	1: Paper 1	100		To be taken with 520 for Fulltime candidates.	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2	100			
			<b>Option Code</b>		
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	

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<b>DEVELOPMENT STUDIES</b> 524	1: Paper 1	100			Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1	
<b>GEOGRAPHY</b> 527	1: paper 1 2: Paper 2	60 40			Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	
<b>HISTORY</b> 530	1: Paper 1 2: Paper 2	60 60			Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</b> 533	1: Paper 1 2: Paper 2	100 60		Compulsory for full time candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1	
<b>DESIGN AND TECHNOLOGY</b> 537	1: Paper 1 – Theory 2: Paper 2 – Coursework	100 100		Not allowed to private candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2	

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<b>CONSUMER SCIENCE 540</b>	1: Paper 1 – Theory	100		Not allowed to private candidates	Grades A – E are passes. Grades F – H are fail.
	2: Paper 2 – Theory	100			
	3: Practical	100			
			<b>Option Code</b>	<b>Components</b>	
			<b>Leave Blank</b>	1, 2, 3	

## APPENDIX 3: SUBJECT GROUPS

### **Compulsory subjects**

I)	English Language	(101)
II)	English Literature	(120)
III)	SiSwati	(207)
IV)	Mathematics	(309)
V)	Science	(414)
VI)	Additional Mathematics	(519)
VII)	Religious Studies	(533)

### **Electives (choose at least one subject)**

VIII)	French	(202)
	Agriculture	(516)
	Bookkeeping and Accounts	(520)
	Business Studies	(521)
	Development Studies	(524)
	Geography	(527)
	Design and Technology	(537)
	Consumer Science	(540)

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207	SiSwati	08
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414	Science	09
516	Agriculture	09
519	Additional Mathematics	09
520	Bookkeeping and Accounts	09
521	Business Studies	09
524	Development Studies	10
527	Geography	10
530	History	10
533	Religious Education	10
537	Design and Technology	10
540	Consumer Science	11