

# THE KENYA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS COUNCIL



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To: All Candidates Sitting Technical Examinations

Through: PDE's/DEO's/Heads of Institutions

**SUBJECT: CHEATING IN EXAMINATIONS**

Every year a few candidates get their results cancelled because they have cheated in their examinations. It is very sad for a student to get no results after learning for several years. However, no results can be given to a candidate who has cheated because results are only given for a candidate's own honest efforts.

In majority of cheating cases, candidates are persuaded to cheat by some misguided people. These misguided people who claim to enable students to obtain advance knowledge of the examinations or arrange for other irregular practices, mistakenly think that they are helping the candidates, but in fact they are only exposing the candidates to suffering through loss of results. Some of the misguided people do not care that the candidates will eventually suffer.

The Kenya National Examinations Council is committed to making examinations fair for all candidates and has accurate methods of detecting those candidates who cheat during examinations. Candidates who cheat or are impersonated cannot be given results which are not their own and which they, therefore, do not deserve.

Since you want to get your examination results you must not get involved in trying to obtain any unfair help from anybody. You must produce your own honest work. Cheating will not help you. In fact, if anyone should try to make you cheat or if you should become aware of any other candidate involved in this bad practice, you must report this immediately to your parents, your head of institution, supervisor, the Education Officer and the police. You should also report immediately if you notice anyone who is not your classmate sitting the examination. Remember, in examinations, honesty is the best policy.

Your drive to cheat should not be there because you can do it without cheating.

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