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PRESS RELEASE

CLARIFICATION ON THE COMMON CORE PROGRAMME (CCP) SUBJECTS FOR THE 2024 BASIC EDUCATION CERTIFICATE EXAMINATION (BECE)

The attention of the National Council for Curriculum and Assessment (NaCCA) has been drawn to some information and claims in certain sections of the media regarding the implementation of the Common Core Programme (CCP) Curriculum and the upcoming Basic Education Certificate Examination (BECE) slated for July 2024.

It has been widely circulated that JHS leavers would be examined on eight (8) compulsory subjects (Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, English Language, Creative Arts, Computing, Career Technology, and RME). In addition, learners would have the option of selecting one additional optional subject (Ghanaian Language, French, and Arabic). NaCCA wishes to state unequivocally that such information is not factual.

The spirit and letter of the CCP, as part of the Standards-Based Curriculum, ensures every learner acquires essential knowledge, skills, values, and attitudes, emphasising Mathematics and Science as the building blocks for success. All learners are expected to study and be examined on the same number of subjects under the CCP: **English Language, Mathematics, Science, Social Studies, Ghanaian Language, Religious and Moral Education, Creative Arts, Career Technology, Computing, French, and Arabic.**

It is important to note that there are no optional subjects for the CCP Curriculum. With the **Ghanaian Language subjects**, schools are to choose **any** of the **Ghanaian Languages based on the schools' capacity**, and learners will be examined on these Ghanaian Languages at the BECE. This policy has not changed; therefore, suggestions that the CCP introduces optional subjects for the BECE are incorrect.

NaCCA remains committed to promoting and preserving indigenous languages to create a heightened sense of Ghanaian identity among learners. Provisions have been made for these Ghanaian languages: Twi (Asante), Twi (Akuapem), Ewe, Ga-Adangbe, Dagbanli, Nzema, Fante, Gurune and others - to be examined at the BECE level. This option does not imply that any subject has been made optional but instead provides an opportunity for learners to showcase their proficiency in their mother tongue.

We encourage parents, teachers, learners, and the general public to refer to official sources such as the Ministry of Education, or our website and social media handles for accurate and timely information about the CCP and other educational policies.

For more information about the Common Core Programme (CCP) Curriculum, please visit our website (www.nacca.gov.gh) or contact us via email (info@nacca.gov.gh) or telephone (+233 302909071).

Thank you.

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