

Circular No. 12/21/MINESEC/CAB of 27 AOÛT 2021*to remind stakeholders of student enrolment procedures and financial modalities in public secondary schools.*

It has come to my knowledge that over the years parents have been victims of corrupt practices allegedly perpetuated by school authorities during back-to-school periods. Such malpractices include student enrolment in exchange for money, the sale of school uniforms, badges, files and unofficially prescribed textbooks. This does not augur well with our **Clean school** vision. Consequently, in strict application of the Head of State's directives on good governance and the fight against corruption, the following instructions should be respected with effect from the date of signature :

- 1) Payment of school and examination fees through Mobile Money is mandatory. To this effect, these fees should be paid only via the duly recognised partners - MTN, Orange, Express Union, Afriland, Campost and Ecobank.
- 2) Each school should have at most two bank accounts : one for school fees and registration fees for examinations organised by the Ministry ; and the other for voluntary contributions from parents (PTA account, opened in conformity with the provisions of Circular N° 07/08/MINESEC/CAB of 25/02/2008 bearing on the modalities for the functioning of PTAs in schools). The former should bear the name of the school (GBHS YAOUNDE, for example) and the latter the name of the association and the school (The PTA of GBHS YAOUNDE, for instance).
- 3) For transparency purposes, the Treasurer of the PTA should provide a monthly statement of account or bank tellers, copies of which must be submitted to the Principal.
- 4) Enrolment of students in classes other than 6<sup>e</sup>/Form 1, 1<sup>ère</sup> année and the 2<sup>nd</sup>e class of technical education shall be carried out in standing committees, in accordance with the provisions of Ministerial Order No. 365/B1/1464/MINEDUC/062/CF/MINEFI of 19/9/2001 to enable some provisions of Decree N°2001/041 of 19/2/2001 to organise public schools and lay down the attributions of school administration officials.
- 5) No equipment or teaching material should be sold within the school milieu.
- 6) Any other issue concerning the proper functioning of the school or the improvement of teaching/learning conditions not funded by school fees relating to the preparation of the budget should be addressed to the Parent-Teacher Association for appreciation and subsequently to the School Management Board for approval in conformity with the provisions of article 23 (1) of decree N°2001/041 of 19/2/2001 mentioned above.

Regional and Divisional Delegates of Secondary Education are tasked with ensuring the widest possible dissemination and follow-up of the implementation of this circular.

THE MINISTER OF SECONDARY EDUCATION

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