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To: All Heads of State Secondary Schools and Sections

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Subject: English Language and Literature in Form 4 and Form 5 (2015-2016)

Heads of School are kindly requested to take note of the following:

- Students who are currently in Form 3 Track 3 and who will move to Form 4 Track 3 next scholastic year (2015-2016) are to follow the SEC literature syllabus.
- Students currently in Form 3 Track 2 will move to Form 4 Track 3 if they obtain 80-100 marks in this year's Annual Track 2 English Examination. These students are to follow the SEC English Literature Syllabus.
- Students currently in Form 3 Track 3 will move to Form 4 Track 2 if they obtain 0-49 marks in this year's Annual Track 3 English examination.
- As has been the practice, students in Form 4 Track 1 and Track 2 and in Form 5 Track 1 and Track 2 will follow the Alternative Literature Syllabus next scholastic year.
- As has been the practice in Forms 1, 2 and 3 examination papers, Form 4 and Form 5 Track 1 and Track 2 Annual Examinations will include a Literature component.
- Next scholastic year (2015-2016), the Form 4 and Form 5 Track 2 examination will be spread over **two** sessions: Paper 1 Language (2 hours) and Paper 2 Literature (1 hour). The listening comprehension will remain unchanged for all tracks i.e. 15 minutes, held before the written paper. The content and the weighting of the oral, listening, language and literature components will remain the same. The examination papers for Form 4 Track 1 and Form 5 Track 1 will remain unchanged i.e. a two-hour paper incorporating language and literature.

English Language Syllabus Guidelines for Form 5 students (2015-2016)

Form 5 students will follow the language attainment levels in the English Language Syllabus for Secondary Schools 2007 according to the table below:

Track	1	2	3
Form 5	Attainment levels 4-5	Attainment levels 5-6	Attainment levels 6-7

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Thank you for your collaboration.

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