

# 2024/2025 NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS REGISTRATION GUIDELINES

#### 1. Introduction

At the end of each school year, NESA prepares National Examinations for primary, lower secondary and upper secondary level. Only candidates who fulfil the registration requirements are eligible to sit for those examinations.

This document provides guidelines for the registration to the National Examinations, for both regular students and Private candidates.

#### 2. Registration Guidelines for regular candidates

#### 2.1. Registration Period

The registration of students who will sit for the national examinations concluding the 2024/2025 academic year, across all levels, will start on **February 21<sup>st</sup>, 2025**, and end on **March 24<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (31 days)**.

The registration for regular students is done through SDMS, by the School Headteacher who will upload all necessary information and documents in the system.

#### 2.2. Eligibility for registration

To be able to register for 2024/2025 National Examinations, the following are the minimum requirements for each candidate at his/her respective level:

#### a. Primary Six (P6):

A candidate completing Primary Six must be registered in SDMS for the previous five school years and must:

- have completed all previous school years of primary education (P1 to P6) without skipping any grade.
- Must be enrolled in grade 6 (P6) in SDMS with a clear passport photo.

#### b. Senior Three (S3):

A candidate completing Senior Three must:

• be registered in SDMS with a clear (updated) passport photo and must have completed all previous school years of lower secondary (S1 to S3) without skipping any grade.

• have successfully completed the primary level (the candidate who passed the National exam in 2021/2022 academic year in the Rwandan education system, his/her previous academic records are automatically generated from SDMS. Here, He/she is not requested to upload any document).

## c. Senior Six (General Education), Level 5 (Technical Education - TSS), or Year 3 (Professional Education):

A candidate in Senior Six (General Education), Level 5 (Technical Secondary Schools - TSS), or Year 3 (Professional Education) must:

- be registered in SDMS with a clear (updated) passport photo for the previous two school years and must have completed all previous school years of upper secondary (S4/Y1/L3 to S6/Y3/L5) without skipping any grade or changing combinations/trades.
- have successfully completed the Lower Secondary examinations (the candidate who passed the National exam 2021/2022 academic year in Rwandan system, his/her previous academic records are automatically generated from SDMS. He/she is not requested for any document such as confirmation of results and school reports).
- Students who passed S3 National Exams before the 2021/2022 academic year, or who studied in other education systems are required to provide a S3 result confirmation or equivalence certificate and report cards for the previous two academic years (S4/L3/Y1 and S5/L4/Y2).

#### **Important Note:**

- a. Schools are required to assist students in obtaining passport photos, result confirmation or scanning their documents free of charge.
- b. When registering S6 repeaters in General Education, headteachers must work with DPOs to create special class for them. DPOs will assist in moving repeaters from the regular S6 classes to the special class specifically created for repeaters.

#### 2.3. Choosing schools & orientations during the registration process

During the registration process, candidates are required to choose schools they wish to attend in S1 or S4/Y1/L3 as follows:

- a. P6 candidates must choose four (4) boarding schools and two (2) day schools. During placement, NESA will respect the candidate's choices, based on the student's performance.
- b. S3 candidates must choose four (4) boarding schools and two (2) day schools. The four (4) boarding schools are divided into two categories (choice 1 and choice 2). In these two categories, at least one of the chosen schools must be a Technical Secondary School (TSS).

#### 2.4. List of Advanced Level Orientations

Starting the 2024/2025 school year, regular students (those who are not repeating) will be registered in 45 different orientations (trades / options / combinations).

However, because there are some combinations of General Education that phased out last year, and the number of papers to be done changed in all combinations of General Education, repeaters in General Education for the 2024/2025 will register in the combinations they attended last year (2023/2024).

Below is the list of Advanced Level Orientations (trades / options / combinations):

List of 2024/2025 Advanced Level Orientations

SN	Type of Education	Orientation Long Name	Orientation Short Name
1	Technical Secondary School	Agriculture	AGR
2	Technical Secondary School	Animal Health	ANH
3	Technical Secondary School	Automobile Technology	AUT
4	Technical Secondary School	Building Construction	BDC
5	Technical Secondary School	Computer System and Architecture	CSA
6	Technical Secondary School	Electrical Technology	ELT
7	Technical Secondary School	Electronics and Telecommunication	ETE
8	Technical Secondary School	Fashion Design	FAD
9	Technical Secondary School	Food and Beverage Operations	FBO
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27	Technical Secondary School	Tourism	TOR
28	Technical Secondary School	Water and Irrigation	WIR
29	Technical Secondary School	Wood Technology	WOT
30	Professional Education	Accounting	ACC
31	Professional Education	Associate Nursing Program	ANP
32	Professional Education	Early Childhood and Lower Primary Education	ECLPE
33	Professional Education	Languages Education	LE
34	Professional Education	Science and Mathematics Education	SME
35	Professional Education	Social Studies Education	SSE
36	General Education	History Geography Literature in English	HGL
37	General Education	History Literature in English Psychology	HLP
38	General Education	Literature in English French Kinyarwanda Kiswahili	LFK
39	General Education	Mathematics Chemistry Biology	MCB
40	General Education	Mathematics Computer Science Economics	MCE
41	General Education	Mathematics Economics Geography	MEG
42	General Education	Mathematics Physics Computer Science	MPC
43	General Education	Mathematics Physics Geography	MPG
44	General Education	Physics Chemistry Biology	PCB
45	General Education	Physics Chemistry Mathematics	PCM
46	General Education	Mathematics Physics Computer Science <b>Old</b>	MPCOLD
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	General Education	Physics Chemistry Mathematics <b>Old</b>	PCMOLD

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51	General Education	Mathematics Physics Geography <b>Old</b>	MPGOLD
52	General Education	Mathematics Economics Geography <b>Old</b>	MEGOLD
53	General Education	Mathematics Computer Science Economics <b>Old</b>	MCEOLD
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55	General Education	Biology Chemistry Geography <b>Old</b>	BCGOLD
56	General Education	Literature Economy and Geography <b>Old</b>	LEGOLD
57	General Education	History Economics Literature in English <b>Old</b>	HELOLD
58	General Education	Literature in English Kiswahili Kinyarwanda <b>Old</b>	LKKOLD
59	General Education	History Economics Geography <b>Old</b>	HEGOLD
60	General Education	Literature in English Kiswahili French <b>Old</b>	LKFOLD

#### NOTE:

- a. **Repeating Candidates in General Education:** Candidates re-taking the national examinations (repeaters) in General Education will be registered in the combinations they attended last school year (2023/2024). While registering **repeating Candidates**, firstly, the head teachers must register them in their special classes with the combinations ended with "old" to differentiate their program with the new one. Repeaters will be given index numbers marked with **OLD**. Example: 110809**PCMOLD**0342025.
- b. For 2025/2026 National Examinations, no candidate will be given the opportunity to register on the combinations that phased out, in 2023/2024.

#### 2.5. School Administration and stakeholders Responsibilities

- a. **Registration Process:** School administrators are responsible for registering students for the national examinations, whether in primary or secondary schools.
- b. **Online Registration:** the registration is done exclusively through the **School Data Management System (SDMS)**. Students must have accurate personal details in the SDMS, including a recent passport-sized photo.
- c. **Role of Data Processing Officers (DPOs) during registration:** DPOs are required to intervene in transferring S6 repeaters from current combinations to old combinations in General Education. They will also assist headteachers in other registration related issues whenever called upon.
- d. **Verification:** School administrators must ensure all registration forms are completed accurately and submitted after thorough verification.
- e. **Candidate Details:** Each candidate's details must align with official identification, including names, parents' or guardians' details, birthdate, residence (district, sector, cell, and village), national ID number, and a parent's or guardian's phone number.
- f. **Generation of Examination index Number:** The SDMS system automatically assigns an index number upon approval by NESA. Schools must print and securely store the registration forms for each candidate to be

- used during the exam period. This is the same for private candidates who should do it by themselves.
- g. **Avoiding Duplication:** Candidates with identical names are assigned non-consecutive index numbers to prevent confusion. No changes to a candidate's name are allowed to differentiate individuals with the same name. To avoid any names mismatch, each S6/Y3/15 candidate is required to register using his/her National ID number.
- h. **School Selection for Secondary Levels:** Candidates must select their schools and streams for upper secondary school using the lists provided by NESA on their website (<a href="www.nesa.gov.rw">www.nesa.gov.rw</a>). The school leaders should bear in mind that there are three types of orientations in Advanced Level (the list is annexed to the present guidelines): General Education (10 combinations), Professional Education (6 options) and Technical Secondary Schools (29 trades)
- i. **Monitoring by NESA Inspectors:** NESA inspectors, in collaboration with District Directors of Education (DDE), are responsible for overseeing the smooth execution of the online registration process.
- j. **Sector Education Inspectors (SEIs):** SEIs must monitor the process daily and collect reports from schools to ensure no student is left unregistered.
- k. **Support for TTC & ANP private candidates:** TTC & ANP schools must assist private candidates sitting for the examinations in practical subjects.
- 1. **ID Verification:** For candidates completing upper secondary education (S6, L5, Y3), registration must include their national ID details. SDMS information must match records from NIDA (National Identification Agency) to avoid errors. **Those without IDs may be registered using their names, but care must be taken to ensure the accuracy of their details**.
- m. **Parent Notifications:** After a candidate is registered, their parent or guardian will receive an SMS indicating the schools the student has chosen. If corrections are needed, parents must promptly contact the school administration.
- n. **Strict Deadlines:** School administrators must adhere to the registration timeline, as no extensions will be granted. The registration period is from **February 21**<sup>st</sup>, 2025, to **March 24**<sup>th</sup>, 2025 (31 days).
- o. **Special Note:** SDMS includes categories for students with disabilities, along with the support they may need during the examinations or when securing placement in Senior One (S1) or Senior Four (S4). Schools must document and provide this information to ensure these students can take their examinations without obstacles.

#### 3. Registration Guidelines for Private candidates

To be able to sit for National Examinations for Advanced Level, candidates can register as regular students or as private candidates. This section will provide general information on registration of Private Candidates in Advanced Level. It is to be noted that *there is no private candidates' provision for P6 or S3*.

#### 3.1. Some key terms used for Private Candidates

- a. **Private candidate**: a person who registered for A-Level National Examinations but is not enrolled for full-time education in a secondary school.
- b. **Private Candidate Registration Districts** (PCRD): These are designated districts where potential private candidates **must** register online through SDMS.
- c. **Private Candidate Examination Centres** (PCEC): These are designated schools where registered private candidates will sit for National Examinations.
- d. **Private Candidate Index Number** (PCIN): it is a unique number given to a registered private candidate to identify him/her during the examination period. It also appears on the examination result confirmation and certificate issued to the candidate.

#### 3.2. Eligibility criteria for private candidate registration

The following are the eligibility criteria for individuals seeking to register as private candidates:

- a. An individual who has previously taken the A-Level National Examinations in Rwanda (or its equivalent in other countries).
  - **Note**: For official national certificates obtained outside Rwanda, it is mandatory to provide a confirmation letter from the candidate's former school and another from the national body responsible for issuing the National Examinations certificate.
- b. An individual who sat for Ordinary Secondary School Level (O-Level) National Examinations, or their equivalent in other countries, without progressing to or completing A-Level. Prospective candidates must have concluded their Ordinary Level studies at least five years ago, specifically in 2019 or earlier.

- c. An individual who completed S3 (or its equivalent) prior to the year 2000, during the time when Ordinary Level National Exams were not conducted in the Rwandan education system.
  - d. An individual possessing a qualification acquired in Rwanda previously, comprising: A3, A4, D4, D5, ENI (Ecole Normale Inférieure), EMP (Ecole Moyenne Pédagogique), EMM (Ecole Ménagère Moyenne), EAP (Ecole d'Apprentissage Pédagogique), EMA (Ecole de Moniteur Auxiliaire), ENA (Ecole Normale Auxiliaire), ENTA (Ecole Normale Technique Auxiliaire), Section Familiale, CERAR (Centre d'Education Rurale et Artisanale au Rwanda) or CERAI (Centre d'Education Rurale et Artisanale Intégrée).
- e. Individuals eligible to register as private candidates for the Teacher Training College (TTC) or Associate Nursing Program (ANP) National Examinations **must have studied previously respectively in a TTC or ANP school**. This is because their teaching Practice / Clinical Assessment marks for the last three years (Y1/S4, Y2/S5 & Y3/S6) are used in calculating the final practical assessment marks.

#### 3.3. Requirements for registration as a private candidate

In the registration process, a private candidate is required to scan and upload the following documents into SDMS.

- 1. A valid national ID
- 2. **Original copies of certificates or result confirmation** proving completion of the education levels mentioned in the section 3.2 above. (*Private candidates who use equivalence in their registration are requested to present to NESA their original certificate and report cards for further verification*).
- 3. **A coloured passport-size photo** with not more than 200kb of size, with a white background and *clearly showing both ears*.

#### 3.4. Private candidates' registration fees

Any candidate wishing to sit for the Advanced Level National Examinations is requested to pay registration fees through the "Irembo" portal as follows:

- a. The registration fee for Private Candidates is **non-refundable 15,000Frw**, paid through the "Irembo" portal.
- b. The payment of the registration fee **MUST BE COMPLETED ONLY AFTER** the candidate has received a bill number and a pin number from **IREMBO** Services. It is important to note that the issued bill number expires 5 days after its creation. Private candidates are advised to thoroughly review their eligibility conditions before initiating the registration process.
- c. Foreign nationals without a Rwandan National ID document should obtain confirmation via SMS from NESA before making any payments.

#### 3.5. Private Candidates registration process

- a. All registrations are made online through SDMS (<a href="www.sdms.gov.rw">www.sdms.gov.rw</a>) by following the instructions provided online (refer to the attached registration process). Foreign private candidates without a Rwandan National ID document must provide additional registration documents via email (<a href="privforeigners@nesa.gov.rw">privforeigners@nesa.gov.rw</a>).
- b. To register, a Private Candidate will choose one district where she/he will sit for examinations. Upon completing the registration process, a private candidate receives a unique identification number known as the "Private Candidate's Index Number (PCIN)." This number consists of:
  - a) **the district code**: one of the two digits in the table below, indicating the district where the candidate registers from.
  - b) **two capital letters**: PC (denoting: Private Candidate).
  - c) <u>abbreviation of the subject combination, option or trade</u> (e.g. PCB, for Physics, Chemistry, Biology or ECLPE for Early Childhood and Lower Primary Education).
  - d) a three-digit number (the candidate's individual number) and
  - e) <u>the four-digit year</u>: 2025 Examples of a full Private Candidate Index Number: **12PCPCB0052025**, **11PCPCB0LD0122025**
- c. Information about Private Candidates' Examination Centres (PCEC) can be obtained from the District Director of Education (DDE) office at the district headquarters.
- d. Candidates **MUST** sit for A-Level National Examinations at the Private Candidates Examination Centre where they registered.
- e. Private candidates from General Education and TSS are not permitted to register through given school. Any General Education or TSS private candidate who register through any school, their registration will be nullified. Only TTC and ANP private candidates should register from one of the TTC / ANP schools to be able to sit for practical examination (Teaching Practice / Clinical Attachment)

#### 3.6. Private Candidates examination centres

Each district will have an examination centre for private candidates. It is therefore allowed to register in any district and once registration is approved, **no candidates** will be allowed to change examination centre during the period of examinations. Below is the list of Districts and their respective District codes:

List of Districts and their respective District codes for private candidates

Province	District	District code
	NYARUGENGE	11
Kigali City	GASABO	12
	KICUKIRO	13
	NYANZA	21
	GISAGARA	22
	NYARUGURU	23
Southern Province	HUYE	24
Southern Province	NYAMAGABE	25
	RUHANGO	26
	MUHANGA	27
	KAMONYI	28
	KARONGI	31
	RUTSIRO	32
	RUBAVU	33
Western Province	NYABIHU	34
	NGORORERO	35
	RUSIZI	36
	NYAMASHEKE	37
	RULINDO	41
	GAKENKE	42
Northern Province	MUSANZE	43
	BURERA	44
	GICUMBI	45
	RWAMAGANA	51
	NYAGATARE	52
	GATSIBO	53
Eastern Province	KAYONZA	54
	KIREHE	55
	NGOMA	56
	BUGESERA	57

#### 3.7. Registration dates

Private candidates for General Education, Professional Education and Technical Secondary Schools MUST register for National Examinations **between February** 21st, 2025, and March 24th, 2025 (31 days).

#### 3.8. Other information on registration for Private Candidates

a. Carrying forward grades achieved in previous A-Level National Examinations is not permitted. Any candidate wishing to retake A-Level National examinations is required to retake all subjects within their chosen subject combination.

- b. **Examination malpractices:** It is imperative that every candidate adheres to the established rules and regulations governing National Examinations. Non-compliance will lead to appropriate disciplinary measures and penalties in accordance with the guidelines and regulations governing National Examinations. Detailed guidelines will be provided to candidates separately.
- c. **Falsification of documents:** If candidate is found to have registered using falsified documents, she/he will be disqualified upon the revelation of his/her ineligibility to register as a Private Candidate. Additionally, he/she will be reported to appropriate authorities (e.g. RIB) for further legal actions.
- d. **Requirements for Identification at Examination Centres**: All registered Private Candidates are required to present a printed registration form issued by NESA and obtained from SDMS registration portal along with a valid National Identity Card for all examination sessions.
- e. **National Exams Calendar:** The National Examinations timetable will be accessible for viewing, printing, or downloading from NESA's website three months prior to the examination's commencement.

## 3.9. Combinations / Trades / Options for 2024/2025 Private Candidates

In 2024/2025 National Examinations, Private Candidates will register in the

following combinations / Trades / Options:

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#### 3.10. Private Candidates Registration Centres for TTC & ANP

Private candidates intending to sit for TTC / ANP national examinations must register in a TTC / ANP school of their choice where they will undergo thorough preparation for the final practical examinations before sitting for theoretical examinations. Practical examinations for TTC & ANP private candidates are organized by each school where the candidate registered. Below is the list of those schools and available options in each school:

SN	District	School Name	Options
1	Nyagatare	TTC Matimba	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
2	Gatsibo	TTC Kabarore	SME, LE, ECLPE
3	Ngoma	TTC Zaza	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
4	Rwamagana	TTC Bicumbi	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
5	Bugesera	TTC Nyamata	SME, LE, ECLPE
6	Gicumbi	TTC de la Salle Byumba	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
7	Nyamasheke	TTC Mwezi	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
8	Rusizi	TTC Mururu	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
9	Karongi	TTC Rubengera	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
10	Gisagara	TTC Save	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
11	Muhanga	TTC Muhanga	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
12	Nyaruguru	TTC St J. Baptiste Cyahinda	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
13	Nyamagabe	TTC Mbuga	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
14	Rubavu	TTC Gacuba II	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
15	Burera	TTC Kirambo	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
16	Ngororero	TTC Muramba	SME, LE, ECLPE, SSE
17	Nyamasheke	GSFA KIBOGORA	ANP
18	Kamonyi	GS REMERA RUKOMA	ANP
19	Nyamagabe	GS KIGEME A	ANP
20	Kayonza	GS GAHINI	ANP
21	Rwamagana	GS ST ALOYS RWAMAGANA	ANP
22	Huye	GSO BUTARE	ANP
23	Musanze	ESSA RUHENGERI	ANP

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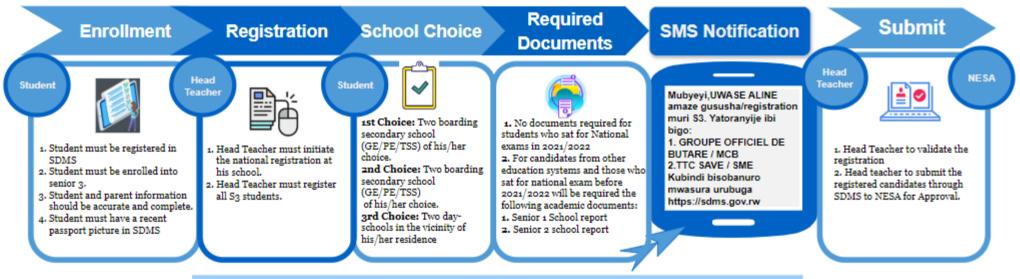
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## SUMMARY OF REGISTRATION PROCESS

2024/2025 - National Examination registration process - PRIMARY 6

#### **Enrollment** Registration **School Choice SMS Notification** Submit Head Head NESA Student Student Mubyeyi, UWINEZA DIANE Teacher Teacher amaze gususha/registration muri P6. Yatoranyije ibi bigo: 1. ES BUMBOGO, E.S. GIKONKO 1. Student must be registered in 2. COLLEGE STE MARIE 1. Head Teacher should initiate 1. Head Teacher to validate the 1st Choice: Two boarding KIBUYE, APAPEDUC the national registration at his registration secondary school of his/her choice. 2. Student must be enrolled into BUNGWE school. 2. Head teacher to submit the and Choice: Two boarding Kubindi bisobanuro primary 6. 2. Head Teacher should register registered candidates through secondary school of his/her choice. mwasura urubuga 3. Student and parent information SDMS to NESA for Approval. all P6 students. ard Choice: Two day-schools in https://sdms.gov.rw should be accurate and complete. the vicinity of his/her residence 4. Student must have a recent passport picture in SDMS

#### 2024/2025 - National Examination registration process Senior 3



Candidates who previously failed to Primary Leaving Examinations are not eligible to sit for S3 National Examinations

## 2024/2025 - National Examination registration process School Regular Candidates - S6 / L5 / Y3

## **Enrollment**

## ID Verification Registration

### **Documents**

## Submit

Student

SDMS.

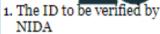


Teacher



- 1. Student must be registered in
- 2. Student must be enrolled into S6/L5/Y3.
- 3. Student should have a national ID recorded in SDMS.
- 4. Student must have a recent passport picture in SDMS.

Head



- NIDA information will be updated in SDMS.
- 3. Student will be allowed to register to National Examination\
- 4. All S6/L5/Y3 should be registered



- 1. Head Teacher must initiate the national registration at his/her school.
- 2. Head Teacher should register all S6/L5/Y3 students.



- No documents required for students who sat for National exams in 2021/2022
- 2. For candidates from other education systems and those who sat for national exam before 2021/2022 will be required the following academic documents:
- 1. S3 Result slip / Equivalence
- 2. S4/L3/Y1 School report
- 3. S5/L4/Y2 School report



**NESA** 

1. Head Teacher to validate the registration 2. Head teacher to submit the registered candidates through SDMS to NESA for Approval.

Candidates who previously failed to S3 National Examinations are not eligible to sit for S6 National Examinations as regular candidates

## 2024/2025 - National Examination registration process Private Candidates - S6 / L5

## **Required Documents**

## Registration

## Submit & **Payment**

Candidate



2. Candidate must provide copies of document

certifying the level of previous studies.

and email address.

Candidate



Private candidate register him/herself in SDMS through https://sdms.gov.rw

Candidate



Online. Payment can be done through Mobile money

or bank

Upon submission, a bill ID will be generated from IREMBO and the payment information will be sent to the filled phone number. Note that Bill ID has an expiry date. Process with the payment directly. **NESA** 

4. Candidate must have a recent passport picture.

3. Candidate must provide a valid phone number

#### **SUMMARY OF REGISTRATION PROCESS (PRIVATE CANDIDATES)**

### A. Foreigners without Rwandan ID document

Candidates from foreign countries without Rwandan ID document should not apply directly from SDMS. They will submit the following application documents to NESA through email: <a href="mailto:privforeigners@nesa.gov.rw">privforeigners@nesa.gov.rw</a>

#### 1. Candidate information:

- Full Names
- Father's Names
- Mother's Names
- Date of Birth
- Gender
- Nationality
- Official Document Number
- Own valid Email
- Phone
- Residential Information (Province, District, Sector, Cell, Village)
- Disability
- **2. Registration Centre** (all districts)
- **3. Registration type** (TSS or GE,PE -Accounting)
- 4. Combination or Trade

#### 5. Attachments:

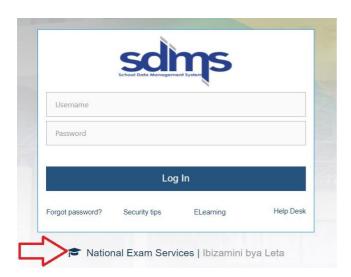
- Passport Photo (200Kb /JPE Format)
- *Official Identification Document*: National ID or Passport (200Kb/PDF Format)
- **Previous Academic Documents** (Equivalence for O-Level or A-level Certificate/ 200Kb/PDF Format). Equivalence is a must.

**Note:** Make sure you also send the above personal identification details indicated in paragraph 1, 2, 3, 4 in the space of email message.

# B. Candidates with Rwandan Nationality OR Refugees with National ID for Refugees

#### STEP ONE:

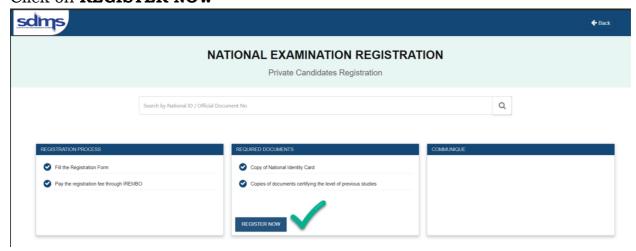
Open the browser and type this link: <a href="https://sdms.gov.rw/sas-ui/login.zul">https://sdms.gov.rw/sas-ui/login.zul</a> or type: <a href="https://www.sdms.gov.rw">www.sdms.gov.rw</a>. Then, click on: 2025 National Examination-Private Candidate





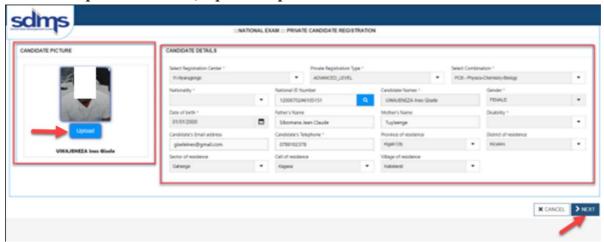
#### Step two:

#### Click on **REGISTER NOW**



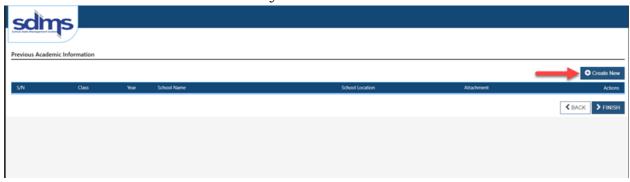
#### Step Three:

Fill in the provided form, upload a photo and click on NEXT

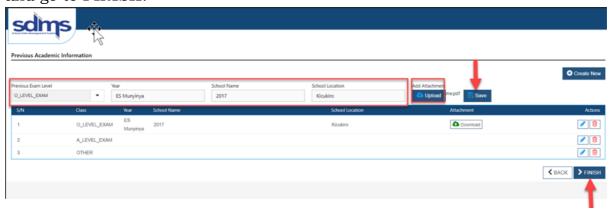


#### Step Four:

Click on CREATE NEW and fill in your academic details

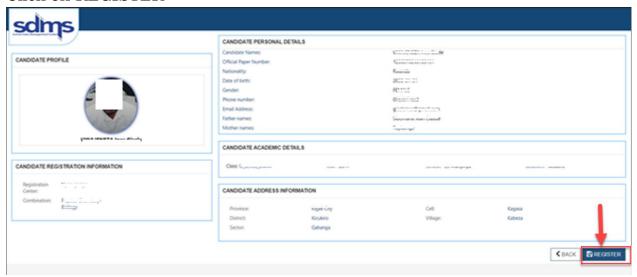


Having filled in academic detail and uploaded the required documents, click on save and go to **FINISH**.



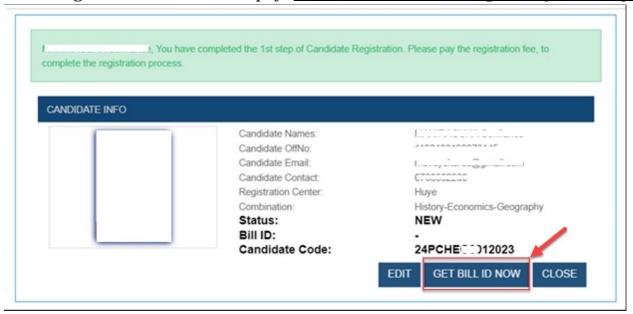
#### Step Five:

#### Click on **REGISTER**



#### STEP SIX:

Click on get bill ID to be able to pay. Note that the bill ID expires after 5 days.



#### STEP SEVEN:

After payment, print your registration form by clicking on print form

