

## UGANDA NATIONAL EXAMINATIONS BOARD

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## **NEWS RELEASE**

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## Position of UNEB concerning registration of the 2020 Candidates

Our attention has been drawn to an open letter to the Minister of Education and Sports alleging, among others, that UNEB is stressing parents by starting registration and demanding for examination fees at this time when the nation is focused on the Covid-19 pandemic.

This is completely false. Online registration of candidates for the 2020 examinations was due to start on 1<sup>st</sup> Aril 2020. However, H.E. the President announced a number of measures aimed at controlling the Covid-19 pandemic, which included the closure of schools. Accordingly, on March 19, 2020, UNEB communicated to the public that 'the registration of candidates would be put on hold until schools resume'. This still stands as the official position of the Board. UNEB has not sent out any other notice about the commencement of registration or demanding payment of examination fees from schools.

The Board has also learnt that there are people who are making telephone calls to parents purporting that UNEB is now demanding for examination fees payment. Whoever receives such a call should ignore it as it is most likely the work of a fraudster.

We appeal to all candidates to concentrate on studying from home as guided by the Ministry of Education and Sports. Please stay home and keep safe.

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