

Republic of Lebanon
Ministry of Education and Higher Education

The Minister

Decision No. 1048/2018

**Regarding the extension of registration period for the academic year 2018/2019
and the admission of non-Lebanese students in public secondary schools**

The Minister of Education and Higher Education,
Based on the Decree No. 3, dated 18/12/2016 (announcing the formation of the Government),
Based on the Decree No. 2869, dated 16/12/1959 (regulating the Ministry of Education and Higher Education - MEHE),
Based on the Decree No. 4892, dated 27/08/2010 (amending certain provisions of the Decree No. 2089, dated 18/10/1971), specifying effective teaching days in public schools,
Based on the cooperation existing with the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization/UNESCO regarding the cost-covering of non-Lebanese students' registration in secondary public education under the education response to the Syrian crisis,
Further to the memorandums issued by the Director General of Education regarding the beginning of the academic year 2018-2019 and the regulation of students' enrollment at public schools,
Whereas the enrollment process during the first registration period was limited to Lebanese students,
Based on the suggestion of the Director General of Education,

Has decided the following:

Article 1: The enrollment period shall be extended as of this date until Wednesday 10/10/2018, and shall include Lebanese students who were not enrolled during the first period, and as a second priority, based on schools' capacity and subject to the principle of schools' priority geographical areas, non-Lebanese students as long as priority is given to non-Lebanese students born to a Lebanese mother.

Article 2: Non-Lebanese students shall be enrolled without requiring any of the treasury fees or the parents' contribution to the school and PTA funds as long as this does not result in the creation of new sections and following entrance examination for new students in accordance with appropriate laws and regulations.

Article 3: Lists of non-Lebanese students at the end of registration procedures shall be sent to the Directorate of Secondary Education which will undertake the coordination with UNESCO in order to cover all the fees due to the schools as a result of the enrollment of these students.

Article 4: Where there are no vacant places, public secondary schools administration shall directly follow up with the Directorate of Secondary Education in order to refer the students to the nearest secondary school.

Article 5: This decision shall be notified and applicable immediately upon issuance.

Beirut on: 26/09/2018

Minister of Education and Higher Education

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