

Kenya

Background

Academic Calendar	January-November/December
What is year nine called?	Form I
Where is year nine typically located?	First year of upper secondary school
Native Language(s)	English, Kiswahili
Graduation Timeline	
8 + 4 = 12	12 years total: eight years primary and four years upper secondary

ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE)

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
Issuing Body	Kenya National Examinations Council
First Available Date of Issue (Typical)	November/December

NOT ACCEPTABLE FORMS OF PROOF OF HIGH SCHOOL GRADUATION

1. School-issued Graduation Certificate

Expected Timeline of Completion	12 years (four years or eight semesters from the initial start of year nine)
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2. Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE)

Expected Timeline of Completion	Issued at the end of year eight
Issuing Body	Kenya National Examinations Council

GRADING SCALE

Grade	U.S. Grade Equivalent	Quality Points
A, A-	A	4
B+, B, B-	B	3
C+, C, C-, D+	C	2
D, D-	D	1
E	F (Failure)	0

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- » The following course titles have been reviewed and **not approved** for use in an academic certification:
 - ° Agricultural Science.
 - ° Christian Religious Education (CRE).
- » [Click here](#) for the welcome email students receive with additional information on documents to submit for this country.

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

- » [Course Title Usage guide.](#)
- » [Determination of Credit resource.](#)
- » [International initial-eligibility flyer.](#)
- » [Student account task information.](#)
- » [NCAA Guide of International Academic Standards for Athletics Eligibility.](#)
- » [Country-specific webpages.](#)
- » [Multi-country references.](#)

