

## Akyemmansa headteachers to go on mass transfers

Story: A. Kofoya Tetteh, Ofoase

THE Akyemmansa District Assembly has decided to undertake a mass transfer of headteachers of basic schools in the public sector in the district.

This follows the poor performance of their pupils in last year's BECE. Only 335 (27 per cent) out of the 1,289 pupils presented for that examination passed. This is in contrast to the remarkable performance of pupils in the private schools in the district, namely Elim Academy, Wisdom Preparatory and Emmanuel Methodist, which scored 100 per cent passes.

The District Chief Executive for the area, Mr Tom Budu, who made this known at the assembly's meeting at the weekend, mentioned some of the schools that scored zero per cent as Adubiase L/A, Brenase L/A, Brampa L/A, Asuogya Apoli L/A, Asabidie L/A, Nyamebekyere No 2 L/A and Kwaboadi No 2 L/A.

He said the District Education Oversight Committee which dealt with the issue decided to take a number of measures to address the problem, which included the transfer of the headteachers, retention of only trained teachers at the district education office and intensification of school supervision.

Other measures, he said, were the re-alignment of school circuits from five to eight, with the creation of three new circuits, incentives for teachers and invitation of non-governmental organisations that dealt with educational issues to the area for a discussion on the way forward.

Mr Tom Budu said it was disgusting for public schools in the area which were operating with trained teachers and other good facilities to perform so low in contrast to private schools and expressed the hope that the new measures would help address the problem.

## UCC reduces admissions

Story: Shirley Asiedu-Addo, Cape Coast

THE University of Cape Coast (UCC) has reduced admissions by 644 this year due to inadequate infrastructure.

The university admitted 4,437 students, compared to the 5,081 students admitted last year.

Those admitted include 2,741 males and 1,231 females selected from over 6,000 qualified applicants and 422 graduate students.



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Story:

SOME stakeholders continue to demand the approval of the new curriculum for the next three years.

The National Council for Technical Education (NATEC) and the Ghana Education Council (GEC) have called for the approval of the new curriculum for the next three years. According to the council, the new curriculum will emphasize on Mathematics and Information Technology (ICT), before election year.

He argued for other curriculum changes rather than a complete overhaul.

Nana Obi Mako-Eduya said that while some schools enrol students with good student-teacher ratios, they lack resources for quality education and computer well-endowed facilities. He called on the university to provide more nursing training.

If private schools are needed attention, Ghana Education Council should once again provide private basic education. He noted that our public schools are not performing well in the Certificate Examination compared to private schools.

According to him, some schools with a second cycle of education are performing better than those with a first cycle.

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