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### Circular No: 31/2026

All Chief Secretaries to the Provincial Councils,  
All Secretaries to the Provincial Ministries of Education,  
All Provincial Directors of Education,  
All Zonal Directors of Education,  
All Deputy/Assistant Divisional Directors of Education,  
All Principal Theros of Pirivenas,  
All Principals of Government and Government Approved Private Schools,

### School Calendar - 2027

01. The School Calendar and related particulars to be followed within the year 2027 are as follows.

#### I. For Sinhala and Tamil Schools

| Term        | Duration of the Term                                                                                                                        |
|-------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| First Term  | From Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 to Friday 09 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 10.04.2027 to 25.04.2027) |
| Second Term | From Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2027 to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 31.07.2027 to 29.08.2027)    |
| Third Term  | From Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2027 to Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2027                                                           |

#### II. For Muslim Schools

| Term        | Duration of the Term                                                                                                                                                 |
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| First Term  | <b>First Phase</b><br>From Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 to Friday 05 <sup>th</sup> February 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 06.02.2027 to 14.03.2027) |
|             | <b>Second Phase</b><br>From Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2027 to Friday 09 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 10.04.2027 to 14.04.2027)     |
|             | <b>Third Phase</b><br>From Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2027 to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 01.05.2027 to 02.05.2027)    |
| Second Term | <b>First Phase</b><br>From Monday 03 <sup>rd</sup> May 2027 to Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 15.05.2027 to 20.05.2027)          |
|             | <b>Second Phase</b><br>From Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2027 to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2027<br>(Vacation will be granted from 28.08.2027 to 29.08.2027)      |
| Third Term  | From Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2027 to Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2027                                                                                    |

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02. The School Calendar and related particulars to be followed for grade 12 and 13 within the year 2027 are as follows.

|                                                                                    | <b>For Sinhala and Tamil Schools</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                          | <b>For Muslim Schools</b>                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            |
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| <b>For students who appear for the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination in 2027</b> | <u><b>Second term of grade 13</b></u><br>From Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 to Friday 09 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br><u><b>Third term of grade 13</b></u><br>From Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2027 to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2027                                                                                                                              | <u><b>Second term of grade 13</b></u><br><u><b>First Phase</b></u><br>From Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 to Friday 05 <sup>th</sup> February 2027<br><u><b>Second Phase</b></u><br>From Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2027 to Friday 09 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br><u><b>Third Phase</b></u><br>From Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2027 to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br><br><u><b>Third term of grade 13</b></u><br><u><b>First Phase</b></u><br>From Monday 03 <sup>rd</sup> May 2027 to Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2027<br><u><b>Second Phase</b></u><br>From Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2027 to Friday 16 <sup>th</sup> July 2027                                                                                                                            |
| <b>For students who appear for the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination in 2028</b> | <u><b>Second term of grade 12</b></u><br>From Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 to Friday 09 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br><u><b>Third term of grade 12</b></u><br>From Monday 26 <sup>th</sup> April 2027 to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> July 2027<br><u><b>First term of grade 13</b></u><br>From Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2027 to Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2027 | <u><b>Second term of grade 12</b></u><br><u><b>First Phase</b></u><br>From Monday 04 <sup>th</sup> January 2027 to Friday 05 <sup>th</sup> February 2027<br><u><b>Second Phase</b></u><br>From Monday 15 <sup>th</sup> March 2027 to Friday 09 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br><u><b>Third Phase</b></u><br>From Thursday 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2027 to Friday 30 <sup>th</sup> April 2027<br><u><b>Third term of grade 12</b></u><br><u><b>First Phase</b></u><br>From Monday 03 <sup>rd</sup> May 2027 to Friday 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2027<br><u><b>Second Phase</b></u><br>From Friday 21 <sup>st</sup> May 2027 to Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> August 2027<br><u><b>First term of grade 13</b></u><br>From Monday 30 <sup>th</sup> August 2027 to Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2027 |
| <b>For students who appear for the G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination in 2029</b> | <u><b>First term of grade 12</b></u><br>From Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2027 to Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                      | <u><b>First term of grade 12</b></u><br>From Tuesday 15 <sup>th</sup> June 2027 to Friday 03 <sup>rd</sup> December 2027                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                             |

Note: New classes for Grade 12 in the year 2027 should be commenced on 15.06.2027. The third term of Grade 13 should be completed on Friday 16.07.2027, after covering the syllabus and conducting the term tests.

03. It has been planned to conduct all Government and Government-Approved private schools and approved Pirivenas for 197 days according to the Public holidays and School Examinations scheduled to be held in year 2027.

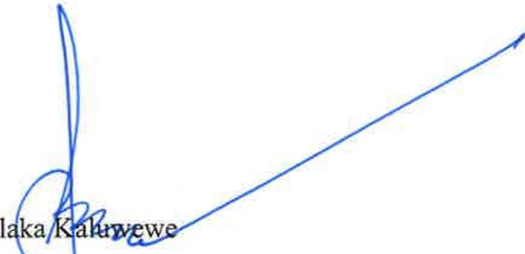
04. The G.C.E. (Advanced Level) examination-2027 is scheduled to be held in August, and the G.C.E. (Ordinary Level) examination- 2027 is scheduled to be held in December.

05. All schools will be closed during public holidays declared by the Government, Sundays and school holidays. However, if the school has to be closed on a day when the school should be held due to a special reason, the sessions in lieu of such day have to be held.

06. The Calendar of Public Holidays for the year 2027 is hereby sent to you (Annexure-I) and the calendar of the school activities will be published on the website of this Ministry ([www.moe.gov.lk](http://www.moe.gov.lk)).

In case of any issues arisen during the implementation of this calendar, please feel free to contact the Director of Education, School Activities Branch.

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**List of Public Holidays - 2027**

|           |    |           |                                             |     |
|-----------|----|-----------|---------------------------------------------|-----|
| January   | 15 | Friday    | Tamil Thai Pongal Day                       | * = |
| January   | 22 | Friday    | Duruthu Full Moon Poya Day                  | * = |
| February  | 04 | Thursday  | Commemoration of Independence Day           | * = |
| February  | 20 | Saturday  | Navam Full Moon Poya Day                    | * = |
| March     | 06 | Saturday  | Maha Shivarathri Day                        | * = |
| March     | 10 | Wednesday | Id-UI-Fitre (Ramazan Festival Day)          | * = |
| March     | 22 | Monday    | Medin Full Moon Poya Day                    | * = |
| March     | 26 | Friday    | Good Friday                                 | * = |
| April     | 13 | Tuesday   | Day prior to Sinhala and Tamil New Year Day | * = |
| April     | 14 | Wednesday | Sinhala and Tamil New Year's Day            | * = |
| April     | 20 | Tuesday   | Bak Full Moon Poya Day                      | * = |
| May       | 01 | Saturday  | May Day (International Workers' Day)        | * = |
| May       | 17 | Monday    | Id-UI-Allah (Hadji Festival Day)            | * = |
| May       | 19 | Wednesday | Vesak Full Moon Poya Day                    | * = |
| May       | 20 | Thursday  | Day following Vesak Full Moon Poya Day      | * = |
| June      | 18 | Friday    | Poson Full moon Poya Day                    | * = |
| July      | 18 | Sunday    | Esala Full Moon Poya Day                    | * = |
| August    | 15 | Sunday    | ( Milad-Un-Nabi) Holy Prophet's Birthday    | * = |
| August    | 16 | Monday    | Nikini Full Moon Poya Day                   | * = |
| September | 15 | Wednesday | Binara Full Moon Poya Day                   | * = |
| October   | 15 | Friday    | Vap Full Moon Poya Day                      | * = |
| October   | 28 | Thursday  | Deepawali Festival day                      | * = |
| November  | 13 | Saturday  | Ill Full Moon Poya Day                      | * = |
| December  | 13 | Monday    | Unduvap Full Moon Poya Day                  | * = |
| December  | 25 | Saturday  | Christmas Day                               | * = |

\* Public holidays      = Bank holidays