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THE MAIDEN AFRICAN SCHOOL GAMES OPEN OFFICIALLY ON 26 JULY 2025 IN ALGERIA





The Association of National Olympic Committees of Africa (ANOCA) is delighted to announce that the Maiden African School Games will kick off officially on 26 July 2025 at 8 p.m. at the 19 May 1956 Stadium, Annaba. This major event, billed for Algeria from 26 July to 5 August 2025, will bring together young athletes from across Africa in a spirit of fraternity, healthy competition and the promotion of Olympic values.

HISTORIC EVENT FOR AFRICAN SPORT

The Maiden African School Games afford a unique opportunity to promote Olympic values, develop the sports talents of young Africans and consolidate solidarity among Africans. The event is a windfall of a successful partnership between ANOCA, the International School Sport Federation (ISF) and the International Olympic Committee (IOC).



Objectives of the Games

The Maiden African School Games aim to:

- **Identify and train future African sports talents;**
- **Build the capacities of young African athletes;**
- **Promote Olympic values such as friendship, solidarity and fair play.**

DISCIPLINES ON SCHEDULE

The schedule of this edition features twenty-five disciplines, to be hosted in four Wilayas in East Algeria: Annaba, Constantine, Skikda and Sétif.

PROMISING FUTURE FOR AFRICAN SPORT

The Maiden African School Games are a major sport development step in Africa. We are confident that the event will help reveal up-and-coming talents and prepare young African athletes for future international competitions.



SUPPORT AND PARTNERSHIP

As already mentioned, the organisation of this event follows a memorandum of understanding signed between ANOCA and the International School Sport Federation (ISF). The International Olympic Committee (IOC) also supports the initiative, which aims to prepare young African athletes for upcoming international competitions, including the Olympic Games Los Angeles 2028 and Brisbane 2032.

Algerian Olympic champions Noureddine Morceli and Hassiba Boulmerka have been appointed ambassadors for the maiden edition of the African School Games (ASGs). Among other things, both athletes will be expected to visit and encourage African delegations in the host cities, as they will inspire participating athletes as well as Algerian and African youths with their exemplary careers.

ANOCA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

« We are witnessing an exceptional moment. True to its mission, ANOCA is today living one of its most cherished dreams, that of offering African youths a platform for development through sport, in the spirit of Olympism dear to Pierre de Coubertin... On behalf ANOCA, all African NOCs, and on my personal behalf, I heartily thank His Excellency Abdelmadjid Tebboune, President of the People's Democratic Republic of Algeria, for placing these Games under his most distinguished patronage. It is not just a ceremonial gesture, but it illustrates enlightened leadership, the sort of leadership that believes strongly that the future of our continent is built by and for its young people. Mr President, your commitment inspires all of Africa. Thanks to you, Algeria is today welcoming the continent in grand style, with dignity and warmth that only brotherly nations can offer. » Mustapha Berraf.

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