

Form 3 marks the beginning of the long academic push to prepare for the KCSE (Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education) exam, taken at the end of Form 4.

New Upperclass Students

As EFAC scholars enter their third year of high school, they encounter a new set of rules, schedules, and expectations. They have narrowed their academic study to 8 subjects and must limit their time in extracurriculars, although they still serve in leadership roles on campus and participate in academic competitions. Form 3 school life shifts to preparing for the KCSE. As upperclass students, they are allowed an extra hour before lights out for additional study time.

What doesn't change during this transition is the rigorous daily routine of getting up every morning at 5am and commencing a day full of classes, cleaning duties, physical activities and lots of study halls. While the schedule varies slightly on the weekends, students attend classes 7 days a week.

Academic Competitions

Overall 95% of EFAC scholars take part in academic, arts, or athletic contests during their time in high school. Academic competitions are very important among the top boarding schools that EFAC scholars attend. In Form 3 and 4, competition is limited to academics, in subjects such as math, science, and debate. More than 50% of EFAC scholars participate in academic competitions.

EFAC Community Bonds: Peer Advisors

As upperclass students, EFAC scholars are poised to show the ropes to new students. Each year, Form 3 students pair with Form 1 students to create partnerships for support and encouragement at school. These relationships continue through Form 4, when their buddy is in Form 2.

Communication with Students

Letter exchanges occur three times a year. Understanding the flow of the year helps you to time words of encouragement or inquire about events and plans. More helpful communication tips are included in the Sponsor Handbook.



HIGH SCHOOL CALENDAR 2024

Term 1: Early January - Early April
Early to Late April, break

Term 2: Late April to Early August
Early to Late August, break

Term 3: Late August to Late October
November to Early January, break

Form 4 KCSE Testing:
November 4 to 22

Letter Writing Timeline

	To student...		From student...
Letter 1	January	↔	April
Letter 2	June	↔	August
Letter 3	October	↔	December