TO : THE NEWS EDITORS

FROM: THE MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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MEDIA ADVISORY

SUBJECT: PROVINCIAL SCHOOL CHORAL EISTEDDFOD

About 1000 school choristers from the four Districts of the Province will from 08 to 10 June 2012 participate in the Provincial School Choral Eisteddfod at Steve Tshwete Municipality.

The eisteddfod is an endevours by the department to create a vehicle to restore value systems based on principles enshrined in the constitution and to strengthen the moral fibre that will turn schools into stable and functional institutions of learning and true centres of community development.

The MEC for Education, Mrs Reginah Mhaule has express her sentiments on the value of this programme as follows:

"Some of the participants in this programme will develop long-lasting interest in music, dance and management, and so on and as such we must, from a conscious point of view, make everything possible that we do not only coordinate these events but go an extra mile in making the passion sink in the minds and hearts of our children and communities.

We need to use this platform as a vehicle to restore value systems based on principles enshrined in the constitution and to strengthen the moral fibre that will turn schools into stable and functional institutions of learning and true centres of community development.

Our children must be fairly taught the significance of these programme especially the role they play in instil principles such as respect, professionalism and appreciation of other cultures.

Music has the potential to make learners and teachers more enthusiastic and appreciate their ability to express the love of the country and its people as well as to denounce forms of social ills that tend to devastate our communities".

The eliminations stated at circuit to Districts levels leading to the Provincial Eisteddfod. The choristers who will obtain position one will proceed to National School Choral Eisteddfod to represent the Province.

The media is invited.

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