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**MEDIA ADVISORY**

**MEC MAJUBA SENDS HIS WELL WISHES TO THE ABC MOTSEPE SCHOOL CHORAL EISTEDDFOD PROVINCIAL CHAMPIONS**

The MEC for education, Mr. Bonakele Majuba sends his warm well wishes to all the schools which will be representing Mpumalanga in the ABC Motsepe Schools Choral Eisteddfod National Competitions. These are schools which obtained position one in Provincial competitions which took place from 31 May 2019 to 02 June 2019 at Emalahleni Civic Center.

The National Competitions will take place from Wednesday, 26 June 2019 to Saturday, 29 June 2019; it is through these competitions that the nation will witness learners from all corners of the country displaying their artistic musical prowess in a way that touches one soul at Rhema Bible Church in Randburg.

Learners from different schools will showcase their singing capabilities in different music categories such as Own choice, Solo Tenor, Solo Soprano, Duet Sextet to mention but a few. Music like any other extramural activities is indeed an extremely important subject for all children to learn and can lead to better brain development as well stress relief.

*Children are naturally very social, and it is important to encourage them to build relationships by providing them with experiences to share with each other such as music. Their participation in the school’s choral gives the learners a platform to work together towards a final product such as taking part in both provincial and national competitions. Preparation and rehearsal stages also encourage bonding by providing them with something to reminisce on together in the future.*

*As a department we would like to once more congratulate the Mpumalanga schools which obtained position one in the provincial competitions and to further wish them well as they continue to represent the province in the national competitions. We are confident that they will continue to fly the Mpumalanga flag very high in both their poetic singing and personal conduct during the three days. From their hearts and through their beautiful vocals that speak to the souls, let them sing for joy and the smiles that it bring to those who are listening –* said the MEC*.*

Below are the schools which will be representing Mpumalanga in the National competitions;

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| **SPECIAL SCHOOL: OWN CHOICE** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| PLATORAND | NKANGALA | 63.00 | 1 |

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| **FARM SCHOOLS – MDQ** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| MKHULU | NKANGALA | 64.00 | 1 |

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| **FARM SCHOOLS CHAMBER** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| MKHULU | NKANGALA | 67.33 | 1 |

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| **SOLO TENOR - MAMA** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| HLABANGAMEHLO | GERT SIBANDE | 71.00 | 1 |

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| **SOLO SOPRANO** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| CHAYAZA | BOHLABELA | 76.50 | 1 |

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| **SOLO MEZZO** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| SILAMBA | NKANGALA | 77.33 | 1 |

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| **SOLO BASS/BARITONE** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| SILAMBA | NKANGALA | 72.67 | 1 |

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| **DUET** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| SILAMBA | NKANGALA | 75.33 | 1 |
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| **SEXTET** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| NDLELA | GERT SIBANDE | 79.00 | 1 |

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| **MALE VOICES** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| ZACHEUS MALAZA | NKANGALA | 76.67 | 1 |

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| **FEMALE VOICES** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| NDLELA | GERT SIBANDE | 76.00 | 1 |

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| **SECONDARY B WESTERN** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| IKHETHELO | GERT SIBANDE | 76.33 | 1 |

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| **SECONDARY B AFRICAN** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| ERIC NXUMALO | BOHLABELA | 72.00 | 1 |

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| **SECONDARY A WESTERN** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| SILAMBA | NKANGALA | 74.33 | 1 |

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| **SECONDARY A AFRICA** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| NDLELA | GERT SIBANDE | 76.33 | 1 |

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| **IZITIBILI** | | | |
| **SCHOOL** | **DISTRICT** | **SCORE** | **POSITION** |
| NGANANA | GERT SIBANDE | 69.00 | 1 |
| **FOLKLORE & SOCIAL ILLS** | | | |

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