

TO : NEWS EDITORS

FROM : MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

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SUBJECT : NINE SCHOOL DAYS LEFT BEFORE THE START OF THE 2010 GRADE 12 EXAMINATIONS.

There are only nine school days left before the start of the 2010 Grade 12 Examinations

55 842 full time candidates and 4 658 part time candidates will sit for the 2010 grade 12 Examination which will start on 25 October 2010.

Ehlanzeni district has the most candidates learners with **16 541** registered, followed by Nkangala District at **13 763**, Bohlabela District at **13 304** and Gert Sibande District with **12 234** registrations.

The examinations will end on 03 December 2010 and marking will commence thereafter. **110** Chief markers, **684** Senior and Deputy Chief Markers, 110 Internal Moderators, **136** Marking Center Administrators and **560** Examinations Assistants have been appointed to enhance effectiveness and efficiency of the process.

All security systems have been taken care off.

Marking will take place in **17** Centres and will be completed by 16 December 2010.

Results will be announced on **06** January 2011.

On 14 January 2011 the Department will give awards to top ten learners, schools that performed outstandingly and to educators. This will take place at a school that will have performed outstandingly.

The MEC for Education, Mrs. Reginah Mhaule take this time to extend her profound best wishes to all learners who will sit for this year's examinations.

In this regard, she said "The Department of Education extends its best wishes to all learners who will participate in the final examinations this year.

It is our conviction that you will do well given the amount of effort that the Department and stakeholders have made to create an enabling environment for the enhancement of your performance.

A special message goes to the 55 842 full time Grade 12 learners who must conduct themselves in a befitting manner so that the Province can reclaim its good image. Continue to burn the midnight oil and study hard to achieve outstanding pass rates.

Government's intention is to see all of you achieve the highest pass levels so that in turn you participate actively in the growth and development of our Country and Province in particular.

The events which unfolded this year must add courage in your quest to excel in these examinations. We remain optimistic that you have what it takes to make the grade.

The Department takes this time to thank all those who took advantage of the programmes set aside to assist learners in their studies. These programmes included the Winter Schools, Radio Lessons, Newspaper Study Materials, Dial-a-Tutor Programme, Saturday Classes, Spring Classes and participation in Learning Centres.

We must not forget to extend our profound appreciation to all role players who played a pivotal role in ensuring that these programmes are a success. Let us continue to support the Class of 2010.

The Mpumalanga Department of Education will appreciate that the integrity and credibility, assessment procedures, processes and systems progress in a manner that we can all be proud of.

Once more, I take this time to wish you the best in your examinations”.

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