

# **Speaking Notes for the MEC for Education, Mrs. Reginah Mhaule at the occasion of the support visit at Emjindini Secondary School on 30 September 2010**

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**Principal; Mr. PA Mathebula**

**Mr. SS Mahlalela; Circuit Coodinator**

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**Members of the School Management Team**

**Educators**

**Representative Council of Learners**

**Learners**

**Members of the non Teaching staff**

**I greet you all.**

I appreciate that you have taken an informed decision to sacrifice your spring holidays to fulfill the goals of the Departmental Catch Up Programme.

As I stand before you, I lack words of expressing my profound joy for the good work that I am witnessing here. I am proud of you.

I must upfront salute your educators and your parents for making this Catch Up programme a success. Thank you a million times.

When I was in my office discussing this visit to your school I was informed that you are attending to your school activities without fail.

I decided to come and visit Emjindini Secondary School because it is always good to associate with people who think well about themselves and their future.

I was told that there are high levels of commitment, dedication and focus from the learners of Emjindini Secondary School.

I said because you have good intentions about your lives, it is important that we engage each other as we do now.

I am indeed impressed and content that there is a bright future for you and your families.

If you proceed like this, all doors of success will be open to you; your lives will in the long run be more meaningful and interesting.

Continue to work hard because that is the absolute requirement for success on your way to prosperity and total emancipation.

The only way to make progress in life is to work hard at it, whether in business, politics, academia, family or sport.

There are no short cuts; you have to earn your success.

I am happy that I came here to be in the company of learners who take themselves seriously by embracing Education.

Education remains the only cornerstone for a better live for all individuals and without it any future remains doom.

You know the history of performance of this school and I do not intend to dwell much on it but to encourage you to strive to be better than those who came before you.

Work diligently to free your selves from the stigma of underperformance of your predecessors.

Take pride in the fact that you are unique, special and winners.