

## **ALGEMENE OUEROMSENBRIEF NOMMER 27 VAN 2021**

29 Junie 2021

Geagte Ouer/Voog, Personeel en Leerder

### **In reaksie op die minister van Basiese Onderwys se perskonferensie op Maandag, 28 Junie omstreeks 11:00, die volgende (*Persverklaring aangeheg*):**

Weens die derde vlag van Kovid word skole vir leerders op Woensdag, 30 Junie 2021 gesluit. Hulle is dan tuis vanaf Donderdag, 1 Julie 2021. Personeel moet by die skool bly tot Vrydag, 2 Julie 2021.

Skole hervat weer op Maandag, 19 Julie 2021 tensy die regering anders sou aankondig. Dit beteken dat die beplande vakansie nou met een week (vanaf 26 Julie na 19 Julie) verkort.

Dit meld om genoem te word dat hierdie 'n amptelike Departementele afkondiging is en dat die skool nie na eie goeddenke daarvan mag afwyk nie. Slegs die hoof van die Onderwysdepartement mag vir skole toestemming tot afwyking van hierdie datums gee.

### **Implikasies vir ons interne toetsreeks**

Leerders skryf toetse tot en met Woensdag, 30 Junie 2021 soos op die bestaande toetsrooster. *Ons verloor nou Donderdag, 1 Julie; Vrydag, 2 Julie; Saterdag, 3 Julie en die hele week van 5 tot 9 Julie se geskeduleerde toetse.*

Op Maandag, 19 Julie hervat ons dan weer die toetsreeks. Ons sal later in hierdie week 'n aangepaste toetsrooster publiseer. Normale reëlins soos op hede, sal dan nét so, geldig wees. Gestel skole word weer gesluit vir 'n langer periode weens die impak van Kovid se derde vlag, sal ons as skool ons toetsreeks vanaf 19 Julie 2021 aanlyn via *Google Classroom*, voltooi. (Deeglike instruksie daarvoor sal volg indien nodig.)

### **Kovid verslag**

Ons publiseer weer ons nuutste Kovid-tabel waarop daar 'n beduidende afname in positiewe gevalle is. Ons is dankbaar vir hierdie afname, maar is bekommerd oor die self-isolasiegevalle wat in getal toeneem. Ons kan nie anders as om ons President aan te haal oor die erns van die huidige situasie nie. Hou asseblief nougeset by die gewysigde vlak 4-inperkingsregulasies. Ons kan nie sterk genoeg benadruk dat ons kinders hierdie vakansie by die huis moet bly nie. Hulle kan eenvoudig nie partytjies hou of by maats of familie gaan kuier nie.

**Ons versoek hiermee dat ouers steeds in die vakansie positiewe uitslae aan mnr. Vosloo by [covid@hsrandburg.co.za](mailto:covid@hsrandburg.co.za) bekend sal maak.** Ons wil graag ons statistiek byhou en elke dag weet wat die stand van Kovid-verspreiding in ons skool is. Self-isolasiegevalle moet ook vanaf Vrydag, 16 Julie 'n e-pos aan mnr. Vosloo stuur ten einde ons isolasielokaal se beplanning vir die toetsreeks te kan doen.

Hoërskool Randburg: Kovid-19-statistiek		Ma	Di	Wo	Do	Vry	Ma	Di	Do	Vry	Ma	Di	Wo	Do	Vry	Ma	Di
Dag		Junie					Junie					Junie					
Maand		7	8	9	10	11	14	15	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29
Datum		7	8	9	10	11	14	15	17	18	21	22	23	24	25	28	29
<b>Personeel</b>	Aantal Kovid-19-positiewe gevalle vanaf 15 Februarie 2021	5	5	6	6	6	9	10	10	10	12	12	12	12	12	13	13
	Herstel van Kovid-19	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	6	6	7	7	9	11	11
	<b>Netto Kovid-19-aktief en in isolasie</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>
	Self-isolasie: simptome en by die huis	1	1	2	3	3	4	3	4	4	1	2	3	6	5	4	4
	Komorbiditeit afwesig (werk van die huis af)	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
<b>Leerders</b>	Aantal Kovid-19-positiewe gevalle vanaf 15 Februarie 2021	22	23	23	25	26	35	37	47	48	52	55	56	59	60	66	69
	Herstel van Kovid-19	15	15	16	16	16	16	20	21	21	28	32	33	34	37	48	53
	<b>Netto Kovid-19-aktief en in isolasie</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>16</b>
	Self-isolasie: simptome en by die huis	29	46	55	0	0	0	0	8	10	18	6	16	9	1	12	2
	Komorbiditeit afwesig (werk op Google Classroom)	2	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
<b>TOAAL</b>	Aantal Kovid-19-positiewe gevalle vanaf 15 Februarie 2021	27	28	29	31	32	44	47	57	58	64	67	68	71	72	79	82
	Herstel van Kovid-19	19	19	20	20	20	21	25	26	26	34	38	40	41	46	59	64
	<b>Netto Kovid-19-aktief en in isolasie</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>18</b>
	Self-isolasie: simptome en by die huis	30	47	57	3	3	4	3	12	14	19	8	19	15	6	16	6
	Komorbiditeit afwesig	2	3	2	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	0

## Afsluiting


Ons bid elke huisgesin sterkte toe in hierdie tyd van beproewinge waar Kovid nou deel van ons almal se lewens is. Ons dink veral aan elkeen in ons gemeenskap wat positief getoets het en wens hulle ligte simptome en spoedige beterskap toe.

Ons dink ook aan al ons dokters, verpleegsters en ander mediese personeel wat onder uiters moeilike omstandighede deur hierdie derde vlag oorweldig is. Baie van ons ouers moet elke dag hierdie gevare trotseer en ons bid julle veiligheid en gesondheid toe. Dankie vir die onbaatsugtige opofferings wat julle elke dag maak.

Hoewel ons ernstig ingeperk is met die vlak 4-bepalinge wens ons tóg elke leerder en onderwyser 'n welverdiende ruskans toe. Mag julle almal met nuwe moed en krag weer op 19 Julie by die skool aanmeld.

**'n Randjie gaan lê nooit** en hierdie virus gaan ons nie onder kry nie!!!

Vriendelike groete.

  
**P Booyesen: Hoof**



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### **MEDIA STATEMENT BY THE MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION, MRS ANGIE MOTSHEKGA, MP DELIVERED AT THE MEDIA BRIEFING FOLLOWING PRESIDENT RAMAPHOSA'S ADDRESS TO THE NATION ON SUNDAY, 27 JUNE 2021**

**28 June 2021**

Good morning to the members of the media, leaders of the Basic Education Sector, parents and learners at home.

Today we are in the Free State as part of monitoring the vaccination of teachers and support staff. As you know, the programme started last week and in this province good progress has been made. As the MEC, Montsheng Tsiu, has indicated, the province is doing well. Together with MEC, Tate Makgoe, they have been driving the vaccination programme in the province. We are here to support. But we have also decided to take this opportunity to address other important matters affecting the sector.

The Council of Education Ministers (CEM) met this morning (28 June 2021) to reflect on the details that His Excellency, President Ramaphosa, presented during his Family Meeting last night.

In his address last night, the President announced that “***schools will start closing from Wednesday, 30 June 2021; and schools will be expected to be closed by the end of the week***” on Friday, 02 July 2021. He further indicated that I, as “***the Minister of Basic Education, will provide details on these arrangements***”.

CEM unanimously agreed that –

- Learners in public and independent or private schools should be released for winter vacation on Wednesday, 30 June 2021;
- The School Management Teams (SMTs), teachers, learners in hostel facilities, and learners with special education needs waiting for parents to pick them up, should report at school until Friday, 02 July 2021;
- Public schools will come back from the winter vacation early, on 19 July 2021, instead of 26 July 2021; as it was originally scheduled in the 2021 School Calendar;
- Schools will make the necessary arrangements to continue to provide feeding to those learners who are beneficiaries of the National School Nutrition Programme (NSNP);
- The usual Winter Vacation Learner Support Programme for Grades 11 and 12, organised by provinces, districts and schools, should continue under very strict conditions in compliance with the COVID-19 health and safety protocols;

- Given the fact that learners writing the May/June 2021 examinations are very few, these examinations and marking thereof, should also continue under strict adherence of COVID-19 health and safety protocols; and
- The vaccination programme for the Basic Education Sector personnel, will proceed as planned; the workers are advised to adhere to their schedules, and strictly adhere to COVID-19 protocols, as stipulated in the Regulations. Schools designated as vaccination sites, must remain open to continue with the vaccination programme. It is important that we all work together to complete the vaccination as soon as possible.

The aforementioned matters have been discussed with various stakeholders in the Sector, and there has been support and concurrence on all of them. The Sector stakeholders consulted include CEM itself; HEDCOM; national teacher unions in the ELRC – including SADTU, NAPTOSA, NATU and PEU; representatives of national SGB associations; representatives of national associations for learners with special education needs, as well as the NAISA and other Associations for Independent or Private Schools. Further discussions with stakeholders will take place this afternoon.

The Sector will remain vigilant in monitoring the developments of the epidemiology, working closely with the Ministry of Health, to inform the implementation of the Risk Adjusted Differentiated Strategy, when there is a need to do so, including the earlier pronounced full attendance of primary school learners from the first day of the third school term.

The Council also appreciated the report that more than **two hundred thousand** (200 000) educators and staff in the Basic Education Sector had been vaccinated thus far. The Sector has a target of **five hundred and eighty two thousand, five hundred and sixty four** (582 564) personnel who are eligible to receive the single dose Johnson & Johnson vaccine. The Department of Health has assured us that additional doses will be made available in parts of the country, where the allocations have already been depleted as a result of the progress of the programme.

### **On learner support programmes during COVID-19 pandemic**

In light of the disruptions to schooling brought on by COVID and the move to the Risk Adjusted Level 4, the Sector has with immediate effect activated the remote learner support programmes.

The **WOZA Matrics 2021 Catch-Up Programme** and the **Tswelopele Campaigns** are initiatives established by the DBE, in collaboration with the National Education Collaboration Trust (NECT).

These are national supplementary remote learning campaigns, developed to support 2021 matric learners and learners in the General Education & Training Band (GET) from Grades R to 9; with supplementary support content, that will enable learners to catch up on learning losses; and enable them to enhance, acquire and develop crucial knowledge, skills, attitudes and values during the academic year.

The campaigns provide digital and non-digital learning resources in partnership with a range of content providers through the DBE-TV on Open-View Channel 122, SABC 1 and DSTV Catch-Up, YouTube channels, as well as digital and mobile chat platforms. These platforms were put

in place to minimise the negative impact of COVID-19 on learning, and to provide further learning opportunities in the context of the restrictions that are currently in place. A detailed list of the resources is available on the DBE website.

We implore parents, guardians and caregivers to ensure that during the recess, children continue to learn, using the available resources. Doing so, will protect the gains that have already been achieved.

We also encourage our learners to remain safe. Do not gather in crowds, apply hygiene practices at all times, and avoid activities that may expose learners to infections.

Thank you