

District Winter Schools – additional information

Our districts have been hard at work to ensure that our matric students are ready for the upcoming trial and NSC exams. For example, the Metro North Education District has developed a virtual solution for live streaming their winter school sessions. This allows an expert in the subject matter to stream lessons to Grade 12 students in their classrooms at 35 schools, with their subject teacher present. The district expected 6 000 students to participate, but a whopping 10 062 students were registered for the sessions!

5 800 students registered for winter school in the Metro East Education District, and actual attendance exceeded those registered. The principal of Blackheath High School, Mr Michaels, fetched and dropped off his matric students at their homes each day so that they could attend revision classes – at his own expense.

1 463 Metro South Education District students attended the district's revision programme covering 15 subjects, while in 4 366 students from the Metro Central Education District improved their skills in 11 subjects.

In the Cape Winelands Education District, 445 students attended residential camps to improve their performance in Afrikaans Home Language, Business Studies, Geography, History, Life Sciences and Mathematical Literacy. A further 1 718 students at 23 schools received streamed lessons, and 163 students attended a Mathematics camp at Zwelethemba Secondary School.

The Eden and Central Karoo Education District undertook a circuit-based support programme for progressed students with 204 students over two days. A further 28 High Schools held winter school programmes, with a 72.7% attendance rate.

1 468 students in the Overberg Education District attended revision sessions covering 10 subjects. The district's Specialised Learner and Educator Support Services (SLES) team also held a weekend life and study skills camp for at-risk students.

The West Coast Education district held revision camps at 3 schools with 322 students in attendance – a 99% attendance rate! The programme included daily motivation sessions with the district's SLES team, and social workers were also available during study sessions for students who needed one-on-one psycho-social support.

We thank every one of the teachers and officials who gave of their time over the holidays – their dedication and expertise will stand the Class of 2022 in good stead to pass their exams. And we commend the students who chose to invest in their own futures by attending these revision classes.

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