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## TO NEWS EDITORS AND JOURNALISTS FROM THE MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

14 MAY 2024 MSUKALIGWA LOCAL MUNICIPALITY TO HOST MEC MAJUBA'S CIVIC EDUCATION PROGRAMME

Tomorrow, Thursday 16 May will be Gert Sibande's turn to host the MEC for Education, Mr Bonakele Majuba's Civic Education Programme at the Eshadai Terbanacle Church in Ermelo, Msukalikwa Local Municipality at 09H00.

The civic programme intends to initiate learners who are eligible to vote through voter education by the Independent Electoral Commission. Grade 12 learners who are eligible to vote from Ithafa, Reggie Masuku, Cebisa and Lindile Secondary Schools will participate in the Programme.

MEC Majuba will be accompanied by officials from Institutions of Higher Learning who will encourage learners to apply early for university admissions and bursaries. Subsequently, the MEC will convene an Inauguration of the Newly Elected School Governing Bodies from Gert Sibande District at the same venue at 12H00.

The MEC will use the occasion to detail his expectations of the School Governing Bodies, their roles and responsibilities during their term of office as guided by the South African Schools Act.

School Governing Bodies are legislative constructs entrusted to govern schools and look after the interests of the school, parents and learners.

The media is invited to cover both sessions.

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