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**THE MPUMALANGA DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION MOURNS THE PASSING OF A
GRADE 2 LEARNER FROM TSIKI NALEDI ENGLISH MEDIUM SCHOOL**

The Mpumalanga Department of Education is deeply saddened to report the untimely passing of a Grade 2 female learner from Tsiki Naledi English Medium School in Hendrina, Nkangala District, yesterday afternoon, 26 May 2026.

According to a preliminary report from the school, the learner informed a teacher that she was feeling unwell.

While receiving assistance, it is said she suddenly lost consciousness and was immediately rushed to a nearby clinic. Despite efforts by medical personnel to resuscitate her, she was sadly declared deceased by the attending doctor.

The Department extends its heartfelt condolences to the bereaved family, the school, learners, and the broader school community affected by this tragic loss.

Officials from the Department's Wellness Unit and Inclusive Education were deployed to the school today, 27 May 2026 to provide psychosocial support to the family, learners, and staff members who may be impacted by this incident.

May Her Soul Rest in Peace.

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