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EXECUTIVE MAYOR CONGRATULATES THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2023

The Executive Mayor of Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti, Cllr Motseokae Maje congratulates the class of 2023 for ensuring that an overall performance of the district improves from 76.79% to 77.16%, Cllr Maje commends the learners for studying hard and emphasized that this is a testament to the adage that hard work pays. He further expresses his sincere gratitude to the MEC of Education, Ms V. Motsumi, Teachers, Principals, trade unions, SGBs, District department of education and communities for their unwavering support to the matric class of 2023.

Executive Mayor notes the slight improvement of 0,37% in the district matric results and says “it requires us as leadership and all role players in the education sector to have a strategic engagement on the challenges confronting the department of education to find lasting solutions so that, the matric class of 2024 could do much better.” Cllr Maje importantly notes and extols Kagisano Molopo to be amongst the best performing local education offices in the province and number one in the district with overall 85.99%. The Executive Mayor says despite some challenges; the rest of the sub-districts have registered some slight improvements and are all within the provincial category of the local offices that have achieved 70% and above in North West.

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| 1. Kagisano Molopo | achieved- 85.99% |
| 2. Naledi | achieved-78.99% |
| 3. Greater Taung | achieved-75.30% |
| 4. Lekwa-Teemane | achieved-71.65% |
| 5. Mamusa | achieved-70.02% |

“Education is one of strategic government’s interventions in a fight against abject poverty, scourge of inequality and unemployment,” said Maje. In borrowing the words of Lim Kokwing, Cllr Maje encourages those who would be registering with institutions of higher learning, that



“the future belongs to those who do not simply accept things that are handed down and never take easy way out. Those who choose not to do ordinary things are always the ones to achieve extraordinary success”

The Executive Mayor says those who have not passed should not be despair but to re-write their matric while others seize all the opportunities provided by private sector and government to ensure that, they form part of the development of their district. In order to support those who have performed well in their examinations, Cllr Maje has previously launched the STUDENTS REGISTRATION ASSISTANCE PROGRAMME in which the municipality would assist an approximately 50 under-privileged students with registration on annual basis. The programme meant to aid students of the region in pursuing their career in the approved institutions of higher learning. An additional of R50,000.00 has been set aside for students who would like to pursue their careers on the following fields:

- Economics
- Science in Urban and Regional Planning studies
- Agricultural Science
- Environmental Science / Management
- Public Administration or Management

Students who have already registered with their chosen institutions of learning are encouraged to submit their application in the District Municipality main offices until the 09th of February 2024. “In support of the above, the District Development Model will ensure that it reflects on the matric results and device strategic intervention in a quest to end unemployment, inequality and poverty in the district”- said Cllr Maje.

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