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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors, Heads: Curriculum Support, Circuit Managers, Deputy Chief Education Specialists, Subject Advisers, Principals of all ordinary public, special and independent schools with Grade R

Subject: Maximum number of learners per Grade R class

1. The Western Cape Education Department (WCED) is committed to ensuring that every child has access to Grade R.
2. Circular 0037/2017 provided schools with information on accessing the Norms and Standards allocation letter on CEMIS, the Grade R per learner subsidy for 2018, the claims process with dates for submission and the use of the Grade R subsidy.
3. This minute serves as a reminder to all schools with Grade R of Circular 0010/2014 dated 25 March 2014 (**Annexure B**), as stipulated in paragraph 8: "A class size of more than 30 learners negatively impacts on the provision of quality education in a Grade R class. Schools are reminded that the maximum number of Grade R learners allowed per class is 30. Educator to Learner ration = 1:30."
4. Schools who enrol more than 30 learners per Grade R class will be contravening Regulation 9(2)(a) of the *Regulations Relating to Minimum Uniform Norms and Standards for Public School Infrastructure*, published in Government Gazette No. 37081 of 29 November 2013.
5. The content of this minute must be brought to the attention of all involved in Grade R education at ordinary public, special and Early Childhood Development independent schools.

SIGNED: PAD BEETS

DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL: CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT

DATE: 2017-12-15