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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors, Heads: Curriculum Support, Circuit Managers, Chief Education Specialists, Heads: Management and Governance, Deputy Chief Education Specialists, Assessment and Examination Coordinators, Subject Advisers and Heads of all educational institutions that prepare candidates for the National Senior Certificate examinations

**Subject: Special concession for Grade 12 learners following the technical pathway and other learners who enrolled for Physical Sciences without Mathematics**

1. It has come to the attention of the Department of Basic Education (DBE) that some learners are not in compliance with the required subject combinations.
2. There are learners in Grade 12 following the technical pathway who:
  - a) registered for Mathematical Literacy instead of Mathematics or Technical Mathematics;
  - b) did not register for Physical Sciences or Technical Sciences; and
  - c) did not register for Engineering Graphics and Design (EGD).
3. In addition, there are learners who enrolled for Physical Sciences with Mathematical Literacy instead of Mathematics.
4. It must be noted that the learners stated in paragraphs 2 and 3 above, will not be resulted and will not be certified by Umalusi in the Grade 12 year.
5. In light of the fact that these learners have been **incorrectly** advised by schools, the National Minister of Basic Education has granted a special concession **only to the current 2019 Grade 12 learners** referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3.
6. This concession **will not be extended** beyond 2019.

7. This concession is **not applicable** to any Grade 10 or 11 learner offering the incorrect subject combination.
8. Information on CEMIS indicates that there are Grades 10 and 11 learners who are currently offering subject combinations as referred to in paragraphs 2 and 3.
9. Principals are requested to make use of the Error Report function on CEMIS to identify Grades 10 and 11 learners who are currently offering subject combinations that do not comply with policy requirements.
10. It is expected of any Grades 10 or 11 learners to change their subject offerings in line with the prescribed subject combinations while in Grades 10 or 11, as these learners will not be resulted and will not be certified by Umalusi.
11. Principals are also kindly requested to ensure that learners meet the entrance requirements for the Further Education and Training Phase in Grades 10–12 when making subject choices in Grade 9.
12. Kindly bring this information to the attention of all Grades 10–12 learners, teachers and parents.

**SIGNED:** PAD BEETS

**DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL: CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT**

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