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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: Extension of the 2017 National Senior Certificate Examination Guidelines for Grade 12 to 2020

1. A review of the National Senior Certificate (NSC) Examination Guidelines for Grade 12 is required after a three-year cycle in order to accommodate amendments to policies and other contextual changes.
2. The NSC Examination Guidelines for Grade 12 were reviewed in 2017 and are currently in use. These guidelines will **remain valid** and will be implemented in 2020 in all schools offering the Grade 12 National Senior Certificate.
3. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) will, however, issue new examination guidelines for Business Studies and Accounting for implementation in 2020.
4. The 2017 National Senior Certificate Examination Guidelines for Grade 12 are available on the DBE website or can be accessed via the following link: <https://bitlylink.com/yqPPP>.
5. The National Senior Certificate Examination Guidelines for 2021 will be released to schools in 2020.

6. Kindly bring this information to the attention of all Grade 12 learners, teachers and parents.

SIGNED: PAD BEETS

DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL: CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT MANAGEMENT

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