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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors, Chief Education Specialists, Heads: Curriculum Support, Heads: Management and Governance, Circuit Managers, Deputy Chief Education Specialists, Assessment and Examination Coordinators, Subject Advisers for Music and Principals of schools offering Grades 10 to 12

**Subject: Format of the final Practical Assessment (Paper 3) for Grade 12 Music**

1. The final Grade 12 Music Practical Assessment (Paper 3) will continue to be a recorded examination, as per the format introduced in 2020.
2. To improve the standardisation, integrity and logistical requirements of this practical assessment, the assessment will be **recorded as three different sections** as from 2021. This minute, therefore, informs schools of the changes to the format of the practical assessment.
3. The following three sections will be submitted as separate video recordings:  
**Section A: Sight-reading and Aural**  
**Section B: Technical work (including Study) and solo repertoire**  
**Section C: Ensemble work**
4. The sight-reading and aural assessments will be supplied by the Western Cape Education Department as a password-protected PDF document. Music educators, therefore, no longer need to prepare their own sight-reading and aural material as part of the final Grade 12 practical assessment.
5. The dates for the completion of the **sight-reading and aural assessments** are **Wednesday, 25 and Thursday, 26 August 2021**. Any deviation from these dates will be regarded as a serious irregularity.

6. The PDF document containing the assessments will be emailed to all schools on Monday, 23 August 2021. The password will be supplied at 14:00 on Tuesday, 24 August 2021, to ensure that a copy of the relevant assessments can be printed at the school.
7. The recordings of each learner's sight-reading and aural assessment video must be uploaded to the examination platform by **17:00 on Friday, 27 August 2021**.
8. The remainder of the practical assessments (Sections B and C) must be completed between 16 August 2021 and 15 October 2021. Schools are reminded that these practical assessments (Sections B and C) may **only be conducted after the completion of the trial practical examination**. The trial and final practical examination may not be combined as one session.
9. All Music educators will receive official notification and training regarding the upload of the completed video recordings.
10. Principals are kindly requested to make the necessary arrangements for the conduct of this assessment.
11. Kindly bring the contents of this minute to the attention of all Grade 12 Music educators and learners.

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

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