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Assessment Management Minute: 0001/2023

To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors (Head Office and district offices), Deputy Directors, Chief Education Specialists, Heads: Curriculum Support, Heads: Management and Governance, Circuit Managers, Deputy Chief Education Specialists, Assessment and Examination Coordinators, Subject Advisers and Heads of education institutions that prepare learners for the National Senior Certificate examinations

**Subject: Revised weightings of School-based Assessment and examinations (Grades R-12)**

1. The Department of Basic Education (DBE) released Circular S33, dated 29 December 2022, releasing the 2023/24 Annual Teaching Plans and the revised School-based Assessment (SBA) and examination weightings and requirements to be implemented in the 2023 academic year.
2. The purpose of this minute is to inform schools of the release of the revised SBA and examination weightings and requirements to be implemented in the 2023 academic year.
3. This minute serves to amend Curriculum and Assessment Management Minute 0001/2022, dated 26 April 2022, that relates to the weightings of SBA requirements across all subjects and grades.
4. The programme of assessment specifies the tasks, tests, examinations, practical assessment tasks (practical subjects) and oral tasks (Languages), specific to each subject and grade for the year.

5. The SBA and examination weightings are amended as follows:

PHASE	2023 REVISED SBA WEIGHTINGS
Foundation Phase (Grades R-3)	100% SBA
Intermediate Phase (Grades 4-6)	80% SBA: 20% examinations
Senior Phase (Grade 7-9)	60% SBA: 40% examinations
Grades 10-11	40% SBA: 60% examinations
Grade 12	25% SBA: 75% examinations

6. Your attention is drawn to the change in the ratio of SBA and examinations in the Senior Phase.
7. The following amendments have been made to the programme of assessment of both the midyear and end-of-year examinations, namely:
- 7.1 Midyear/June examination:
- Grade 12: Midyear/June examination;
  - Grades 10-11: Midyear/June examination; and
  - Grades 4- 9: Midyear/June controlled tests only.
- 7.2 End-of-year examination:
- Grade 12: Full scale National Senior Certificate examination;
  - Grades 7-11: Full scale examinations in all subjects; and
  - Grades 4 – 6: Controlled tests in all subjects.
8. The afore-mentioned amendment of the SBA and examination weightings and the programme of assessment requirements, **effective from January 2023, will remain in place until repealed.**
9. The updated 2023 GET recording and reporting programmes and 2023 FET subject record sheets will be made available on CEMIS by the beginning of March 2023.
10. The annual teaching plans are available on the DBE website:  
<https://www.education.gov.za/Curriculum/NationalCurriculumStatementsGradesR-12/2023ATPs.aspx>.

11. District officials and principals are kindly requested to bring the content of this minute to the attention of all teachers, parents/guardians and learners.

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

**DATE:** 2023-01-23