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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors (Head Office and district offices), Heads: Curriculum Support, Circuit Managers, Heads: Management and Governance, Subject Advisers and Principals of secondary schools

Subject: Support for FET learners during 2023 via telematics platform and live streaming

1. The Western Cape Education Department (WCED) will be offering lessons broadcast via an interactive platform. Lessons will be beamed via satellite technology during the period 23 January to 09 November 2023.
2. The focus for 2023 will be on Grades 10 to 12. The attached Annexure A provides the broadcasting schedule detailing subjects, grades, topics, dates and times.
3. Since the timetable includes several subjects and different grades, it is important that teachers and learners follow the timetable very carefully.
4. Lessons will be conducted during the week, after school hours. It is therefore important that principals discuss arrangements with their governing bodies and parents.
5. Learner attendance will be monitored regularly by Head Office and district officials.
6. Principals will be expected to report quarterly on the attendance of learners, as well as successes or difficulties experienced with the programme.
7. Lessons and revision programmes may be rebroadcast during the year. Such schedules will be made available and should be advocated to learners.
8. The presenters are lead teachers chosen for their expertise and experience in teaching the subjects.

9. Learner booklets will be provided to every learner in each of the subjects in the project schools, i.e. those schools with satellite technology. All other schools will have access to the booklets via the Telematic Schools Project website and the WCED ePortal.
10. In addition to the satellite broadcasts, all lessons will also be live streamed. Schools that do not have satellite technology but have access to the broadband internet service are urged to take advantage of this free and excellent tutoring programme. Schools that wish to access the live streaming lessons and associated materials must register by contacting the Telematics helpdesk at tel. no. 021 808 9507 or 021 808 4129.
11. Principals are encouraged to register all Grades 10 to 12 learners on the Telematic Schools Project website. This will enable learners to access the lessons via live streaming or from the zero-rated website at their convenience. Principals should request a bulk learner registration form by emailing school@sun.ac.za.
12. Teachers are encouraged to utilise or advocate the lessons available on the zero-rated website, <https://schools.sun.ac.za/> (links to the lessons are available on the WCED ePortal).
13. Should you have any queries about this initiative, please feel free to contact Dr G Schreuder via email to Glynis.Schreuder@westerncape.gov.za.
14. Principals are requested to bring the contents of this minute to the attention of the relevant staff, Grades 10 to 12 learners and their parents or guardians.

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