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Dear Grade 12 Learner

By the time you receive this letter there will be less than 50 days to the start of the 2020 National Senior Certificate (NSC) Examinations. Despite the extended closure of schools necessitated by the COVID-19 pandemic, there is still sufficient time to fully prepare yourself for the examinations if you make use of every available day to revise.

It is important that you develop and follow a daily revision schedule to make good use of the time left to prepare for the examinations, and that you cover all the prescribed work when you are preparing for your Final Examinations.

To ensure content coverage and success in the 2020 NSC Examinations, you should make use of the following resources to assist you in your preparation:

1. Class notes and textbook for each subject
2. *2020 Tips for Success* (available on webpage- www.eccurriculum.co.za)
3. Past exam papers (available on webpage- www.ecexams.co.za)
4. NSC Examination Guidelines (available on webpage- www.ecexams.co.za)
5. Study Guides such as *Mind the Gap* (available on webpage- www.eccurriculum.co.za)
6. Self-study worksheets published by the ECDOE and the Department of Education (available on webpage- www.eccurriculum.co.za)
7. Virtual lessons broadcast by the ECDOE (see **Annexure A**)
8. Radio (Umhlobo Wenene and TRU FM) and TV broadcasts of NSC lessons
9. 2020 NSC Examination Timetable (to be released soon)
10. Digital textbooks such as *Siyavula* (available online)

The 2020 NSC Examinations are scheduled to be administered between 05 November and 15 December 2020 and 2020 NSC results are to be released in the middle of February 2021. The Final 2020 NSC **Time Table Full** will be released soon.

The Department is mindful of the fact that the Grade 12 class of 2020 is currently submitting admission applications to various higher education institutions wherein internal results are required by different institutions as a prerequisite for pre- or conditional admission to these

institutions of higher learning. In the absence of a Term 2 report, the current Grade 12 learners can submit their 2019 Grade 11 end-of-year results report, as well as their March 2020 Grade 12 Term 1 results report with their applications. More information about the requirements for examination results that will be accepted by higher education institutions for pre-admission will be communicated to you as soon as **USAf** provides more clarity on this matter.

Please ensure that you meet all the School-Based Assessment (SBA) requirements in line with the revised guidelines and circulars for SBA. Approach your teachers for more clarity on SBA if you are uncertain.

You are strongly advised you to check and re-check the correctness and accuracy of your Grade 12 registration information. Ensure that your personal information such as, your names, surname, gender, date of birth, identity number, subjects registered and examination centre information are correctly reflected.

The credibility of your qualification which will be reflected in your results and ultimately in your NSC certificate, is of cardinal importance. Maintain and defend the currency of the NSC qualification to remain beyond reproach by avoiding any form of Examination Irregularities at all times.

The Department is not oblivious of the learning and teaching challenges posed by COVID-19 pandemic. We do however, trust that the efforts made, not only by yourselves, but also by your parents, teachers, peers and the Department of Education officials collectively, are adequate to make 2020 a successful learning year for you.

We are proud as the Department of Education to be associated with the Grade 12 class of 2020 and we are certain that you are going to do yourselves, your parents, your teachers and the Department of Education proud in the upcoming NSC Examinations.

The ECDOE wishes you the best for your 2020 NSC Examinations.



Mr. T.S. Kojana
Superintendent-General
Date: 06/08/20

ANNEXURE A

Broadcast Schedule for Virtual Lessons – Revision of Term 2 Topics

DATE	SUBJECT	TIME SLOT	TOPIC
MONDAY, 03 AUGUST 2020	Mechanical Technology	15:00-16:00	Wheel alignment
	English FAL	16:15- 17:15	Elements of short stories with reference to the Last Breath
	Business Studies	17:30-18:30	Investment securities
	Economics	18:45-19:45	Imperfect markets
TUESDAY, 04 AUGUST 2020	Computer Applications Technology	15:00-16:00	Text functions: Part 1
	Accounting	16:15- 17:15	Creditors reconciliation statement
	Geography	17:30-18:30	Urban settlements: Part 2
	History	18:45-19:45	Soweto Uprising
WEDNESDAY, 05 AUGUST 2020	Life Sciences	15:00-16:00	Reflex action, CNS disorders, Stem cell use to treat injuries
	Tourism	16:15- 17:15	Tourism sectors
	Hospitality Studies	17:30-18:30	Non-alcoholic beverages
	Mechanical Technology	18:45-19:45	Wheel balancing
THURSDAY, 06 AUGUST 2020	Computer Applications Technology	15:00-16:00	Text functions: Part 2
	Geography	16:15- 17:15	Urban settlements: Part 3
	Life Sciences	17:30-18:30	Eye structure and function, pupillary mechanism and accommodation
FRIDAY, 07 AUGUST 2020	Tourism	15:00-16:00	Tourism sectors continue
	Life Sciences	16:15- 17:15	Pupillary mechanism and accommodation
	Consumer Studies	17:30-18:30	Assessment: Food Borne Illnesses
	Business Studies	18:45-19:45	Investment: Insurance
SATURDAY, 08 AUGUST 2020	Technical Mathematics	09:00-10:00	Trigonometry: Revision
	Technical Sciences	10:30-11:30	Semiconductors
	Economics	12:00-13:00	Imperfect markets- monopoly, cont.
	Life Sciences	14:00-15:00	Eye defects and treatment
SUNDAY, 09 AUGUST 2020	Geography	09:00-10:00	Economic Geography: Part 1
	Life Sciences	10:30-11:30	Ear structure and function
	Tourism	12:00-13:00	Foreign exchange: Part 1
	English HL	12:00-13:00	Poetry analysis with reference to selected poems
MONDAY, 10 AUGUST 2020	Technical Mathematics	15:00-16:00	Euclidean Geometry: Part 1
	Life Sciences	16:15- 17:15	Hearing, Balance and Equilibrium
	Computer Applications Technology	17:30-18:30	Text functions: Part 3

DATE	SUBJECT	TIME SLOT	TOPIC
	English FAL	18:45-19:45	Drama: Macbeth (3 themes- appearance vs reality, the supernatural and equivocation)
TUESDAY, 11 AUGUST 2020	Technical Sciences	15:00-16:00	Hooke's Law & Elasticity
	Technical Mathematics	16:15- 17:15	Euclidean geometry: Part 2
	Physical Sciences	17:30-18:30	Acids and bases: Part 1
	Life Sciences	18:45-19:45	Ear defects and treatment
WEDNESDAY, 12 AUGUST 2020	History	15:00-16:00	The coming of Democracy in South Africa
	Life Sciences	16:15- 17:15	Introduction to endocrine system
	Mathematics	17:30-18:30	Functions and Inverses
THURSDAY, 13 AUGUST 2020	Tourism	15:00-16:00	Foreign Exchange: Part 2
	IsiXhosa	16:15- 17:15	limpawu zemihlathi nefomathi yokubhala nerubric yokuhlola, lobhitshuwari
	Life Sciences	17:30-18:30	Negative feedback: TSH and thyroxin; Insulin and Glucagon
	Physical Sciences	18:45-19:45	Acids and bases: Part 2

TO VIEW/ LISTEN TO LESSONS

- Download and install the VLC APP from Playstore/ Apple store on your digital device (i.e. cell phone, tablet, laptop) or link your smart phone to a smart TV for better viewing
- To view broadcasts of virtual lessons, insert the following link: <rtmp://197.242.147.204/live/ecre>
- To view lessons that have previously been broadcast, register and view on the following website: <http://www.nifstream.co.za>

NOTE:

- When streaming virtual lessons, the data is compressed from the ECDOE broadcasting site so less data is utilised
- The VLC APP is already pre-loaded on the tablets allocated to Grade 12 learners in Quintile 1-3 schools