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MEMORANDUM

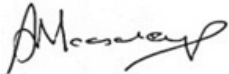
TO	CLUSTER CHIEF DIRECTORS DISTRICT DIRECTORS PRINCIPALS OF ALL SCHOOLS CMC MANAGERS CIRCUIT MANAGERS SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES
FROM	ACTING HEAD OF DEPARTMENT
SUBJECT	READMISSION OF GRADE 12 REPEATERS
DATE	22 JANUARY 2025

1. This memo seeks to communicate the position of the ECDOE regarding learners who wish to repeat Grade 12 after not being successful or wants to improve his or her results in NSC examinations in 2024.
2. The above injunction is based on the following Policy Provisions:
 - 2.1. A repeat candidate in terms of Section 37 (6) of National Policy Pertaining to the Programme and Promotion Requirements of the National Curriculum Statement is defined as a candidate who failed the grade enrolled for or the National Senior Certificate results, and who wants to repeat, either the grade failed or the Grade 12 year, as a full time or part time candidate respectively.
 - 2.2. Section 30 of the National Policy for Ordinary Public School in the National Policy Act 27 of 1996 allows for repetition if the learner is two years older than the age grade norm. If the learner is three years older than the norm age per grade, HOD must determine whether the learner will be admitted to that grade.

e.g. The norm age for grade 12=12+6 =18 years, it means a 19 year and 20-year-old learner can still be admitted in Grade 12, only if this learner repeated once in the FET Phase, but for 21 year old the HOD must make a determination.
 - 2.3. The norm for repetition is one year per school phase where necessary. Multiple repetition in one grade is not permissible.

3. Principals of schools with Grade 12 may admit only the repeat learners from the same school or a minimum number which is not more than 5 learners if the resources, LTSM and other enabling conditions permits.
4. Circuit Managers are implored to bring the contents of this memo to all schools and ensure monitoring of its implementation without fail.

Yours faithfully,



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ACTING HEAD OF DEPARTMENT

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