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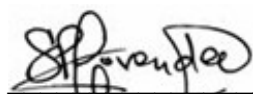
**TO: DEPUTY DIRECTORS-GENERAL
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PRINCIPALS OF ALL SCHOOLS OFFERING GRADES 11 & 12
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DATE: 02 AUGUST 2012

2012 GRADE 12 TRIALS & GRADE 11 FINAL EXAMINATION TIME TABLES

1. Assessment Instruction 23 of 2012, dated 12 March 2012, has reference.
2. A final timetable for the Grade 11 final examination is attached for information and further planning of teaching, learning and assessment activities. **ANNEXURE A**
3. A final timetable for the Grade 12 Trial examination is attached for information and to assist learners and teachers to make final preparations for the Trial examination. **ANNEXURE B**
4. Comments, recommendations and concerns received about the Trial examination timetable and the Grade 11 final examination timetable have been considered when drawing up the final timetable.
5. A number of question papers for both the Grade 11 and Trial examinations will not be supplied by the Province and must be set at school. These subjects are indicated at the end of the final timetables.

6. Important information about the Trial examination should be noted:
- 6.1 The Trial examination commences on Thursday 23 August 2012 and concludes on Thursday 27 September 2012.
 - 6.2 Two sessions are scheduled for each day. The morning session will commence at 09h00 and the afternoon session will commence at 14h00.
 - 6.3 Kindly note that many candidates are required to write two subjects a day. That is the reason for having a morning session finishing at a time that allows a minimum of 2 hours rest before the commencement of the afternoon session. The academic disadvantage experienced by candidates writing 2 subjects a day and mentioned in some of the concerns received from schools is noted, however time constraints do not allow for an extension of the number of days for the examination.
 - 6.4 **Principals are cautioned that altering a Provincial examination question paper is an irregularity and will result in candidates having final results withheld while SBA irregularities are investigated. This means that the entire Trial question paper is to be written by all candidates and the entire script is to be marked as per the marking memorandum issued by the Province. This is compulsory for all schools.**
 - 6.5 **Marking memoranda may under no circumstances be altered if work has not been completed at the school. The candidates must be awarded a zero mark for that section.**
 - 6.6 **All schools** are to complete all the Grade 12 Learning Outcomes in **all subjects** offered at the school prior to the start of the Trial examination. This is very important.
7. Principals are to ensure that this information is given to the learners and the teachers as quickly as possible.



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