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### ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 33 OF 2023

**TO:** DEPUTY DIRECTORS-GENERAL  
CHIEF DIRECTORS  
HEAD OFFICE DIRECTORS AND DISTRICT DIRECTORS  
CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS  
CIRCUIT MANAGERS  
DEPUTY CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS  
SENIOR EDUCATION SPECIALISTS  
PRINCIPALS OF PUBLIC AND INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS (GRADE 11)  
TEACHER UNIONS/ORGANISATIONS  
SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES

**DATE:** 20 JULY 2023

<b>2023 GRADE 11 NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE NOVEMBER COMMON EXAMINATION DRAFT TIMETABLE</b>
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1. This assessment serves to inform all schools offering Grade 11 that there will be a provincially set common final examinations for high enrolment subjects in 2023.
2. The draft timetable for the Grade 11 November Examination (**ANNEXURE A**) is attached.

Examination	Commencement date	End date
Grade 11 November	Monday, 30 October 2023	Friday, 24 November 2023

3. The question papers have been set in line with the Annual Teaching Plans (ATPs) and the 2023 examination guidelines.
4. It was the norm in the past that provincial examinations were set to ensure that common standards were set and to ensure that examinations and assessment is conducted in a fair and equitable manner. These examinations also served as an important diagnostic exercise and enables the development and implementation of timeous intervention strategies.

5. Schools are reminded to set their own question papers for the subjects which do not appear on this timetable and find a suitable slot within the existing timetable. Question papers set at school level, must be moderated by expert teachers/district subject advisors.
6. The papers that will be provided have undergone rigorous and stringent moderation and other quality assurance processes to ensure that they comply with all applicable regulations.
7. Question papers will be provided for the following subjects:

1	Accounting P1
2	Accounting P2
3	Agricultural Sciences P1
4	Agricultural Sciences P2
5	Business Studies P1
6	Business Studies P2
7	Economics P1
8	Economics P2
9	Geography P1
10	Geography P2
11	History P1
12	History P2
13	Life Sciences P1
14	Life Sciences P2
15	Mathematical Literacy P1
16	Mathematical Literacy P2
17	Mathematics P1
18	Mathematics P2
19	Physical Sciences P1
20	Physical Sciences P2
21	Technical Mathematics P1
22	Technical Mathematics P2
23	Technical Sciences P1
24	Technical Sciences P2

8. It is imperative that all the protocols regarding the security of the question papers are observed to protect the integrity of the examination.
9. Comments and suggestions on the draft timetable should be e-mailed to [Penelope.Japhta@ecdoe.gov.za](mailto:Penelope.Japhta@ecdoe.gov.za) no later than Monday, 11 August 2023 to be considered. Late submissions will not be considered.
10. Note that any changes or amendments to the draft timetable should have a valid educational basis. The timetable was developed keeping in mind various factors and variables. Various logistics and provincial dynamics were considered.
11. The heads of educational institutions should ensure that the content of this assessment instruction is distributed to all Grade 11 teachers, learners, subject advisors, and other relevant stakeholders.



20/07/2023

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**MR R. TYWAKADI**  
**DDG: CURRICULUM MANAGEMENT AND DELIVERY**

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**DATE**

**ANNEXURE A (page 1 of 2)**  
**Assessment Instruction 33 of 2023**  
**DRAFT TIMETABLE**

**2023 GRADE 11 DRAFT NOVEMBER TIMETABLE**

<b>WEEK 1</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>14:00</b>
Monday 30/10/2023	History P1 (3 hrs)	
Tuesday 31/10/2023	Accounting P1 (2 hrs)	
Wednesday 01/11/2023	Geography P1 (Climate and Weather, Geomorphology and Mapwork) (3 hrs)	
Thursday 02/11/2023	Business Studies P1 (2 hrs)	
Friday 03/11/2023	Life Sciences P1 (2½ hrs)	
<b>WEEK 2</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>14:00</b>
Monday 06/11/2023	Life Sciences P2 (2½ hrs)	
Tuesday 07/11/2023	Economics P1 (2 hrs)	
Wednesday 08/11/2023	Accounting P2 (2 hrs)	
Thursday 09/11/2023	Agricultural Sciences P1 (2½ hrs)	
Friday 10/11/2023	Mathematics P1 (3 hrs) Technical Mathematics P1 (3 hrs) Mathematical Literacy P1 (2 hrs)	

<b>WEEK 3</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>14:00</b>
Monday 13/11/2023	Mathematics P2 (3 hrs) Technical Mathematics P2 (3 hrs) Mathematical Literacy P2 (2 hrs)	
Tuesday 14/11/2023	History P2 (3 hrs)	
Wednesday 15/11/2023		
Thursday 16/11/2023	Geography P2 (Development Geography and Resources and Sustainability) (3 hrs)	
Friday 17/11/2023	Physical Sciences (Physics) P1 (2 hrs) Technical Sciences P1 (3 hrs)	
<b>WEEK 4</b>	<b>09:00</b>	<b>14:00</b>
Monday 20/11/2023	Physical Sciences (Chemistry) P2 (2 hrs) Technical Sciences P2 (1½ hrs)	
Tuesday 21/11/2023	Business Studies P2 (2 hrs)	
Wednesday 22/11/2023	Agricultural Sciences P2 (2½ hrs)	
Thursday 23/11/2023		
Friday 24/11/2023	Economics P2 (2 hrs)	

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