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#### ASSESSMENT INSTRUCTION 21 OF 2009

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### 2009 NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE (NSC) EXAMINATION PART TIME CANDIDATES

The Eastern Cape Department of Education has afforded all learners who did not meet the requirements for a certificate in the 2008 National Senior Certificate (NSC) examination an opportunity to return to full-time study at a registered school. These learners have to present school-based assessment (SBA), orals and practical assessment tasks (PATS) in full again in 2009.

There are however, a number of learners who passed the National Senior Certificate and who wish to write one or more NSC subjects in 2009. These candidates fall into two categories, as follows:

- 1. CANDIDATES WHO PASSED AND WISH TO IMPROVE THE 2008 NSC RESULT (HAVE RECORDED SBA/ORAL/PAT MARKS)
  - Improve the status of their qualification i.e. attain entrance to diploma or bachelors study;
  - Improve marks of one or more subjects
  - 2, CANDIDATES WHO PASSED AND WISH TO CHANGE SUBJECT/S (HAVE NO RECORDED SBA/ORAL/PAT MARKS FOR THAT SUBJECT)
    - Change one subject required for career or study purposes.

This Assessment Instruction deals with the registration of the above candidates for the 2009 National Senior Certificate Examination.

## **REGISTERING AS A PART TIME CANDIDATE**

In order to register as a part-time candidate for NSC in 2009, the candidate must meet the following requirements:

- 1. Candidates must be in possession of a 2008 NSC Statement of results issued by the National Department. This means that the candidate must have written the 2008 NSC examination.
- 2. Candidates may only register for NCS subjects.
- 3. Candidates may register for one or more subjects.
- 4. SBA, Oral and PAT marks have a shelf-life of three years and will be carried over from 2008.
- 5. Candidates may change only one subject from those studied in 2008.
- 6. Candidates who have changed a subject and do not have recorded SBA, ORAL or PAT marks must be registered at a full-time centre for tuition in these subjects and have written proof of this registration.
- 7. Part-time candidates registered for NCS subjects will write the examination in November 2009 and not in May/June 2009.

## DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED TO REGISTER AS A PART TIME CANDIDATE

- 1. A South African ID book. This is compulsory and no candidate may access a District examination centre without it.
- **2.** A part time registration form completed in full.
- 3. A copy of 2008 NSC Statement of Results,
- **4.** A letter from the Principal of a registered school which will provide tuition, assess and moderate SBA, Oral and PAT marks for the subject where no recorded marks are available.
- 5. Full contact details.

### **REGISTRATION PROCESS**

- 1. The candidate must register at the District Office closest to his/her home.
- 2. The District Office will assign an examination centre to the candidate.
- 3. The District Office will receive and verify all the above documentation before accepting the registration of the candidate.
- 4. The candidate must agree to present himself/herself at the District Office to sign all preliminary entry schedules and to collect an Admission Letter to the examination.

# CLOSING DATES

- 1. Registration closes at District Offices on <u>Friday 27 March 2009</u>. No late entries will be accepted under any circumstances.
- Registration forms supported by full verified documentation must be submitted to the District Co-Ordination Unit at the Provincial Office on or before Friday 3 April 2009.

Principals are asked to disseminate this information widely to ensure that the class of 2008 are able to access Higher Education Institutions and follow the career paths of their choice. Your co-operation in this matter is appreciated.

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