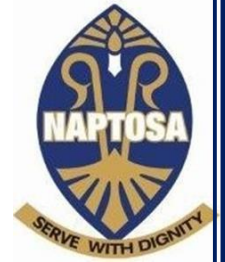


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NAPTOSA's Message of Well Wishes to the NSC Class of 2024

The Matric class of 2024 is about to embark on one of the most important journeys of their academic lives. NAPTOSA extends its best wishes to the over 1.1 million candidates who will be sitting for their final exams from 21 October to 27 November 2024. These exams will take place at approximately 9,200 examination centres across the country.

NAPTOSA is pleased to acknowledge UMALUSI's approval of the state of readiness for these examinations, which reflects the hard work and dedication of all stakeholders. We do, however, appeal to all assessment bodies, including the Department of Basic Education (DBE), Department of Higher Education and Training (DHET), Independent Examinations Board (IEB), and South African Comprehensive Assessment Institute (SACAI), to ensure the credibility of these national exams by upholding strict measures against all forms of cheating.

Parents, we call on you to assist your children during this time by providing nutritious meals and creating quiet spaces for those last-minute preparations. It is equally important that transport drivers ensure that learners have calm, relaxed drives to school so they arrive on time and stress-free. Your support plays a crucial role in their success.

The hard work has already been done—now it's time for our learners to reap the rewards. Let us work together to protect our children by instilling in them the value of honesty and integrity. Safeguarding the integrity of these exams also means shielding them from external disruptions. Loadshedding and community protests pose serious risks to the smooth running of the exams. We appeal to all communities to protect our children's futures by ensuring that no children are held up or prevented from going to school during this critical period. Let's build our nation together by defending its future—our children.

To the class of 2024, we wish you the best of luck. Remember, what you put in, you will get out. ***Your best is good enough! You've got this!***

To the teachers, invigilators, and markers, we encourage you to continue serving with dignity! Together, we are shaping the future of our nation.

Mr BL Manuel

Executive Director