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From: Mrs SM Semaswe
Superintendent-General

DEPARTMENTAL CIRCULAR NO. 14 OF 2021

ADDRESSING A WAVE OF BULLYING IN SCHOOLS

1. The Department is concerned about bullying incidents in schools in the province; some of which go unreported. Often this oversight leads to unintended dire consequences.
2. Bullying is a part of violence which typically happens in many forms, including but not limited to physical bullying, verbal bullying, sexual bullying, social bullying, cyber bullying, relational aggression, etc.
3. In schools, bullying occurs in all areas. It can occur in nearly any part in or around the school premises, though it more often occurs during school breaks, in hallways, toilets, on school buses and waiting for buses, classes that require group work and/or after school activities.
4. Not all bullies are the same. Each has a different style and uses different tactics to intimidate and control their victims.
5. Officials of the department, school governing bodies and school principals are urged to condemn all forms of bullying, thereby taking action against perpetrators of bullying in schools.
6. Learners who become victims of bullying should be advised to report such to their parents/guardians and/or may call the following for help:

Contact Person	Tel/Cellphone Number	Email Address	Institution
	0800 055 555		Childline South Africa
Ms M.M. Nkgodi	0729111069	mnkgodi@nwpg.gov.za	Ngaka Modiri Molema District
Mr T.Molao	071 886 4886	tmolao@nwpg.gov.za	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District
Mr V. Monchwe	072 294 4299	Vmonchwe@nwpg.gov.za	Dr Ruth Segomotsi Mompoti District

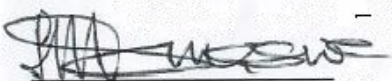


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7. It is our collective responsibility to ensure that teaching and learning happened in a supportive, caring and safe environment without fear of being bullied.

Yours sincerely,



MRS SM SEMASWE
SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

DATE: 16 April 2021

cc: Hon. ML Matsemela - Member of Executive Council
Mr JNT Mohlala - Administrator



BE SAFE
ACT RESPONSIBLY

WASH YOUR
HANDS OFTEN

WEAR A MASK WHEN
GOING OUTSIDE

MAINTAIN SOCIAL
DISTANCING

