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ATTENTION: EDITORS and NEWS EDITORS

MEC MCHUNU TO LEAD DELEGATION TO VISIT KZN'S UNDER-PERFORMING SCHOOLS

The MEC for Transport, Community Safety and Liaison, Mr. Willies Mchunu, will lead the legislature delegation visiting schools in Uthukela District Municipality tomorrow, which under-performed during the 2015 grade 12 final exams.

The national Minister of Education, Ms. Angie Motshega, announced that the province of KwaZulu-Natal was the second worst performing province. There are 14 schools that were reported to have received a zero percent pass rate. This has prompted the decision to identify and visit these schools in an effort to try and find ways of ensuring that such devastating results are overturned.

MEC Mchunu's visit will commence tomorrow at Bambazi High School, where he will interact with the school children and also hold a community meeting with the community members, School Governing Bodies and parents, after which he will proceed to Phuthini High school. On Thursday, he will begin the day at Meadowsweet High school and proceed to Sahlumbe High school where he will also meet with the school's stakeholders. Finally, on Friday, the delegation will visit Emthonjeni wolwazi High School that received improved results.

MEC Mchunu will be joined by members of the KZN legislature, senior departmental officials, members of school governing bodies, parents, teachers of the schools and community members.

Details of the UThukela District schools visit:

Day 1

Date: 13 January 2015

Time: 07:30

Venue: Bergville, Bambazi High school and then proceed to Phuthumi High School.

Day 2

Date: 14 January 2016

Time: 07h30

Venue: Meadowsweet High School and then proceed to Sahlumbe High school

Day 3

Date: 15 January 2016

Time: 07h00

Venue: Emthonjeni wolwazi High School

Ends.

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