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To: Deputy Directors-General, Chief Directors, Directors (Head Office and district offices), Circuit Managers, Heads: Management and Governance, and Principals and Chairpersons of governing bodies of public schools

**Subject: School terms and public holidays for 2022**

1. The approved school calendar for 2022 (**inland provinces**) is as follows:

| Term   | Opens   | Closes  |
|--------|---|---|
| First  | 10 January 2022 (educators)<br>12 January 2022 (learners) | 17 March 2022   |
| Second | 05 April 2022   | 24 June 2022  |
| Third  | 19 July 2022  | 30 September 2022   |
| Fourth | 11 October 2022   | 14 December 2022 (learners)<br>15 December 2022 (educators) |

| Term         | No. of weeks | No. of days      | No. of public holidays | Actual no. of school days |
|--------------|--------------|------------------|------------------------|---------------------------|
| First        | 10           | 47 (49)          | 0                      | 47 (49)                   |
| Second       | 12           | 59               | 5+1                    | 53                        |
| Third        | 11           | 54               | 1+1                    | 52                        |
| Fourth       | 10           | 47 (48)          | 0                      | 47 (48)                   |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>42</b>    | <b>207 (210)</b> | <b>6+2</b>             | <b>199 (202)</b>          |

*(Numbers in brackets are for educators)*

2. The approved school calendar for 2022 (**coastal provinces**) is as follows:

| <b>Term</b> | <b>Opens</b>  | <b>Closes</b>   |
|-------------|---|---|
| First       | 17 January 2022 (educators)<br>19 January 2022 (learners) | 25 March 2022   |
| Second      | 05 April 2022   | 24 June 2022  |
| Third       | 19 July 2022  | 30 September 2022   |
| Fourth      | 11 October 2022   | 14 December 2022 (learners)<br>15 December 2022 (educators) |

| <b>Term</b>  | <b>No. of weeks</b> | <b>No. of days</b> | <b>No. of public holidays</b> | <b>Actual no. of school days</b> |
|--------------|---------------------|--------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| First        | 10                  | 48 (50)            | 1                             | 47 (49)                          |
| Second       | 12                  | 59                 | 5+1                           | 53                               |
| Third        | 11                  | 54                 | 1+1                           | 52                               |
| Fourth       | 10                  | 47 (48)            | 0                             | 47 (48)                          |
| <b>Total</b> | <b>43</b>           | <b>208 (211)</b>   | <b>7+2</b>                    | <b>199 (202)</b>                 |

*(Numbers in brackets are for educators)*

3. **Public and school holidays in 2022**

|                   |   |                        |
|-------------------|---|------------------------|
| 01 January 2022   | - | New Year's Day         |
| 21 March 2022     | - | Human Rights Day       |
| 15 April 2022     | - | Good Friday            |
| 18 April 2022     | - | Family Day             |
| 27 April 2022     | - | Freedom Day            |
| 01 May 2022       | - | Workers' Day           |
| 02 May 2022       | - | Public holiday         |
| 16 June 2022      | - | Youth Day              |
| 17 June 2022      | - | Special school holiday |
| 08 August 2022    | - | Special school holiday |
| 09 August 2022    | - | National Women's Day   |
| 24 September 2022 | - | Heritage Day           |
| 16 December 2022  | - | Day of Reconciliation  |
| 25 December 2022  | - | Christmas Day          |
| 26 December 2022  | - | Day of Goodwill        |

4. Principals are urgently requested to inform all educators, learners, parents and members of governing bodies of the content of this minute.

**SIGNED:** HA LEWIS

**DEPUTY DIRECTOR-GENERAL: INSTITUTIONAL DEVELOPMENT AND COORDINATION**

**DATE:** 2021-08-12