

MEDIA RELEASE	PSA calls for urgent intervention at Ngodini High School, Mpumalanga following learner complaints
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) is concerned about deteriorating conditions at Ngodini High School in Mpumalanga, which are severely compromising learners' constitutional right to quality education.

Learners have reported critical challenges, including a severe shortage of educators. Grade-12 learners, many of whom are registered for seven subjects, allegedly only receive instruction in Siswati, English, and Mathematics. The lack of teaching in the remaining subjects presents a serious risk to their academic performance and prospects, particularly with final examinations fast approaching. In addition, allegations of financial mismanagement have emerged. Learners have reported being charged R1 800 each for food and a study camp, yet neither has been delivered. There are also disturbing claims of food going missing, with no transparency or accountability from the School's administration. These issues have significantly undermined confidence in the School's leadership.

Despite repeated attempts by learners to raise these concerns with local education authorities since the start of the first term, no meaningful action has been taken. On 6 May 2025, further promises were reportedly made to learners but remain unfulfilled. The PSA calls on the Mpumalanga Department of Education and the School Governing Body to urgently intervene. Immediate action is needed to investigate allegations of mismanagement and misuse of funds. The acute shortage of teaching staff must be addressed, and the School must be restored as a safe, functional, and accountable learning environment.

The PSA is committed to advocating for quality public education and the protection of the rights of learners and educators. The PSA will continue to monitor developments at Ngodini High School and urges the Department to act swiftly, transparently, and decisively in the best interests of learners.

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