

COVID-19 confirmed positive cases at multiple schools

The PSA is deeply concerned about reported COVID-19 cases at schools in Limpopo. The PSA earlier called to consider closing schools owing to the anticipated third wave and fast tracking of the vaccination rollout plan for the teachers and school-based employees.

The PSA was alerted that there are positive cases at Jinnah Park Primary, Laerskool Warmbad, Maope Secondary, Pienaarsrivier Primary, Mokolo Primary, Derrick Kobe Secondary, Deo Gloria Primary, Hoërskool Noorderland and Marobathotha High School wherein the latter has 13 learners who tested positive. Implementation of safety measures cannot be overemphasized to mitigate the impact of third wave of COVID-19 infections. The PSA welcomes the fact that the schools are closed to allow for disinfection as required by COVID-19 protocols. Tracking and tracing can result in a greater number of learners and educators testing positive for COVID-19.

The PSA will monitor developments relating to reported cases at schools and implementation of COVID-19 protocols to ensure protection of employees and learners. Screening must be maintained at schools with temperature scanning whilst wearing of masks, sanitising, washing of hands with soap, avoidance of social gatherings and crowded places and observation of social distancing must be maintained.

Members will be kept updated.

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