

## Update: Alleged disregard of COVID-19 protocols - Namakwaland High School, Springbok

The PSA received complaints from Namakwaland High School about the alleged neglect of COVID-19 regulations at the School. On 11 June 2021, eight Educators tested and are still awaiting their results. What is concerning is that despite these high number of infections, the School continues as normal. No attempt has been made to disinfect the School.

The PSA addressed a letter to the District Director to raise concerns. No response has been received yet. The PSA is concerned that COVID-19 positive cases are growing exponentially, yet, with eight presumed cases at a school, no material action is taken to prevent the possible spread of the virus. The PSA calls on the District Director to close the School and have it sanitised. The PSA also calls for an appreciation of the danger of the virus and the strict following of safety protocols by schools in the Northern Cape.

The PSA continues to advise members not to enter workplaces that put their lives in danger. Members are further advised to wear their masks, practice social distancing, wash and sanitise hands, avoid crowded places, limit movement and ensure that screening protocols are observed at their workplaces

For further clarity, contact the PSA Provincial Office in Kimberley on (053) 839 1000.

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