

FOR PSA MEMBERS: NORTHERN CAPE

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Update: COVID-19 positive cases - Northern Cape High School, Kimberley

The PSA is alarmed about the inconsistent application of COVID-19 regulations at Northern Cape schools. Under lockdown alert level one, where a COVID-19 positive case or multiple cases are experienced, the principal of the school must make a submission to the District Director about incidents. This information will then determine caution to be followed, including temporary closure of the school for decontamination.

The PSA received complaints from members at the Northern Cape High School in Kimberley where more than nine COVID-19 cases were reported but the School continues with activities. This is in stark contrast to what happened at the Kimberley Technical High School just next door to the Northern Cape High School. The Technical High School had eight positive cases and was closed to be sanitised.

The situation at the Northern Cape High School cannot be allowed to continue since children are our future and prescripts must be followed to continue the fight against the pandemic, especially when the Province is experiencing a rise in COVID-19 positive cases. The PSA calls on the HOD of the Department of Education to ensure compliance to the Regulations, especially at schools.

Members are advised to refuse to enter workplaces which pose danger to their lives. For further clarity, contact the PSA Provincial Office on (053) 839 1000.

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