

MEDIA RELEASE	2024 Matric Class: PSA welcomes signing of Limpopo Education MEC's pledge and online prayer service
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) applauds the Limpopo Education MEC for leading the signing of a pledge for the 2024 Matric Class of Limpopo on 18 October 2024 in Mookgopong.

This was followed by an online prayer service, hosted by the Premier of Limpopo in support of matriculants who have started their examinations. These actions reflect that executives have the best interests of learners at heart.

The PSA and other stakeholders participated in the signing of the pledge to confirm the Examination Readiness for the Matric Class of 2024 during a media briefing. The MEC reported that 124 630 learners had enrolled for the exams, with 94 254 being full-time learners. A total of 1 287 centres were ready for full-time matric learners and 375 centres for those repeating Grade 12. The MEC indicated that there was a reduction in the number of learners registered for the 2024 exams. In 2023, 94 424 candidates registered for the final year as opposed to 94 254 for 2024. No challenges were reported, and strategic hubs and security had been prepared to avoid disruptions during the examination period. Media houses and communities were urged to be vigilant in ensuring that learners were secured.

The MEC further congratulated the acting Head of Department and his team for ensuring that the examinations were well planned. Learners were reminded to carry their identity documents, pledge forms, and timetable each time they arrive for examinations. They were also warned that copying and being assisted during exams were not allowed. They were advised not to gamble with their careers as copying would never be tolerated.

The pass rate for the Class of 2024 was predicted by the MEC to be 85%, based on trial-examination results of 79%. This is well above the examination results of 2023, which was below 80%.

The PSA will continue to advocate for improved education to enhance the future for the South African society.

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