

MEDIA RELEASE	PSA condemns violent incident at Kamajika Primary School in Mpumalanga
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The Public Servants Association (PSA) is extremely concerned about a violent incident involving a 14-year-old learner at Kamajika Primary School in Mpumalanga.

The incident occurred in the School's restrooms and impacted negatively on the various young victims involved. Such acts inflict emotional and physical scars that may take a long time to heal. This case underscores the urgent need for proactive measures to ensure the safety and well-being of learners at educational institutions.

The PSA encourages parents to actively engage with their children and monitor their behaviour at home. Early intervention is vital in fostering a safer and more supportive school environment. Whilst the perpetrator is a minor, the PSA advocates for a rehabilitative approach rather than punitive measures. The PSA supports establishing structured programs aimed at rehabilitating offenders and preventing future incidents.

The PSA urges the Mpumalanga Department of Education to view this disturbing incident as a critical opportunity for improvement and recommend the immediate implementation of enhanced security measures in schools, including the deployment of trained security personnel to monitor school premises and learner movements effectively. Strengthening school security will deter harmful behaviour and contribute to a safer learning environment.

The PSA is dedicated to collaborating with educational institutions, parents, and relevant stakeholders to ensure that necessary precautions and interventions are in place to promote a culture of responsibility and care in schools, safeguarding the well-being of learners.

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