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EXPRESSION OF INTEREST FOR THE PERMANENTLY EMPLOYED EDUCATORS IN THE KWAZULU-NATAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION TO STUDY FOR THE NATIONAL PROFESSIONAL DIPLOMA IN EDUCATION (NPDE) AND POST-GRADUATE CERTIFICATE IN EDUCATION (PGCE).

1. The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education, together with the Education, Training and Development Practices Sector Education and Training Authority (ETDP-SETA), hereby invite permanently employed professionally unqualified and under-qualified educators to express interest to study for the above-mentioned qualifications.
2. The purpose of the above qualifications is, among others, to improve the competencies of the currently professionally unqualified and under-qualified school-based educators, with a view to improving the quality of teaching and learning in education institutions. The NPDE will result in educators attaining the REQV 13 status, while the PGCE will be a professional capping qualification of the formative degrees that candidates already have. Both qualifications are practice-based, have a strong classroom focus and will equip candidates with foundational, practical and reflective competencies.

3. In order to meet the minimum criteria for selection, applicants must:
- ❑ be South African citizens
 - ❑ have a matric certificate
 - ❑ must be permanently employed in the KwaZulu-Natal Department of education
 - ❑ Candidates must be teaching classes from Grades R – 12
 - ❑ NPDE candidates must have teaching experience of not less than five(5) years
 - ❑ PGCE candidates must be in possession of an undergraduate degree of 360 or 480 credits from a recognized University or Technikon at NQF 6
 - ❑ Furthermore, PGCE candidates must be teaching from Grade 10 -12
 - ❑ Additionally, PGCE candidates must have majors in Maths, Sciences and Commerce and have passed modules/courses equivalent to two teaching subjects at Year Two (Second Year)
 - ❑ Be prepared to be placed at a public school based on the discretion of the Department
4. Tuition will be offered by the appointed university (ies) through block-release during school holidays and some weekends.
5. Application forms can be obtained from Head Office, District and Circuit Offices. Fully completed application forms must be accompanied by recently certified copies of certificates, salary advice, letter from the principal confirming length of service and ID and be returned on or before **19 January 2007** to: The Manager, HRD Planning and PSA HRD, KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education, P/Bag X9137, Pietermaritzburg, 3200 or hand-delivered to 228 Pietermaritz Street, Room 131 A.

Yours faithfully

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