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RETURN OF LEARNERS TO SCHOOLS ON THE 6th JULY 2020

- 1. The Minister of the Department of Basic Education; Mrs Angie Motshekga hosted the Council of Education Ministers (CEM) on Thursday, 2nd July 2020.
- 2. The reports presented by various provinces provided a broad review of all the developments relating to the phased approach for the return of learners to school.
- 3. The meeting also received reports since the first reopening phase and assessed the level or readiness of each Provincial Education Department to receive more learners as envisaged from the 6th July 2020.
- 4. Having considered the reports, the Minister has directed that only Grade 6, Grade 11 and Grade R will return to school on Monday, 6th July 2020.
- 5. However, the province has taken a decision to only accept Grade 6 and Grade 11 on the 6th July 2020. Grade R learners must temporarily remain at home and await further advice.
- 6. Since the decision affects all provinces, this circular aims to advise that all other grades will be phased during the month of July in a differentiated approach within the stipulated time frames as per the Gazette of 29th June 2020 published by the Minister.
- 7. Kindly bring the contents of this circular to all schools and officials of the department.

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