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WARNING AGAINST EXAMINATION MALPRACTICES

- 1. The Department of Education wishes to sound a warning to all schools and officials who may be tempted to engage in examination malpractices such as group copying, whatsapp groups that actively seek examination papers before they are written and opening of question papers prior to the start of examination sessions.
- 2. Officials of the Department of Education in examination centres must distance themselves from acts of examination malpractices for the following reasons:-
 - 2.1 When teachers and officials involve themselves in examination malpractices, they put their **jobs in jeopardy** in case they are **found guilty.**
 - 2.2 When learners are involved in examintion malpractices, they end up **not receiving their** results which may cause their lives to come to a standstill and **be suspended for a** maximum of three (3) examination sittings.
 - 2.3 Examination malpractices destroy the future of our nation because it teaches **learners corrupt** ways of achieving their qualifictaions. Such behaviour may spill over to the workplace in future with serious consequences.
 - 2.4 Examination malpractices **lower the value of the National Senior Certificate** of the Republic of South Africa thus undermining the basic education system of the country.
- 3. All officials of the Department of Education are hereby warned against any examination malpractices. Disciplinary action will be taken against any official or officials involved in examinations malpractices. If an official is found guilty, dismissal is the only sanction befitting that act of misconduct.

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31/10/22 DATE