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KWAZULU-NATAL DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION CONDEMNS RECENT ACT OF BULLYING AT VERULAM SECONDARY SCHOOL

The KwaZulu-Natal Department of Education is deeply concerned about the recent incident at Verulam Secondary School, where one learner was the victim of an assault by another learner. We acknowledge the severity of this matter and want to reassure the public that we address incidents of violence and bullying with the utmost seriousness.

The Department of Education is committed to providing a safe and supportive learning environment for all learners. We will not tolerate any behaviour that undermines this commitment. We will work closely with the school administration to conduct a thorough investigation of the incident and to implement appropriate measures in line with our policies and procedures.

We understand that such incidents can profoundly impact the victimized learner, their family, and the wider school community. The Department is committed to taking immediate and decisive action to address this situation and to prevent any similar incidents in the future.

The Head of the Department, Mr. Nkosinathi Ngcobo, urges all learners, parents, and staff to report any incidents of bullying or violence to school authorities without delay.

“Together, let us work towards creating a safe and nurturing environment, where all learners can thrive,” said HOD Ngcobo.

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