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## **Media Alert**

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### **MEC MSHENGU HEADS TO PINETOWN DISTRICT FOLLOWING STABBING INCIDENT**

The MEC for Education in KwaZulu-Natal, Mr Kwazi Mshengu will visit Dassenhoek High School in Pinetown after four learners were allegedly stabbed by robbers who allegedly broke the fence to gain access into the school premises.

The robbers who were visibly armed with a gun and knives invaded the school and demanded valuables from teachers and learners. The learners stood their ground and refused to be bullied by the robbers. Sadly, the learners were eventually overpowered, terrorized, and stabbed and the perpetrators made off with cellphones, money and other valuable items.

The injured learners have been admitted to hospital. One suspect has already been arrested by the police following a criminal case that was opened at KwaNdengezi Police Station. The other two suspects are still at large.

The visit will take place under the following details:

Date: Thursday, 27 January 2022

Venue: Dassenhoek High School, KwaNdengezi Circuit, Pinetown District.

Time: 10H00

Members of the media are invited to cover the visit.

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