To: All Provincial Education Directors

RESUMPTION OF EXAMINATIONS BY 2021 EXAMINATION CANDIDATES: 03 JANUARY 2022

The above subject matter refers:

In view of the current Covid-19 waves that the nation is currently experiencing, the Ministry of Primary and Secondary Education reiterates the need for strict and close observance of the World Health Organisation (W.H.O) and Ministry of Health and Child Care protocols and guidelines to ensure a safe, secure and healthy environment as candidates re-group to continue with their examinations after the short break.

You are therefore expected to remind all your examination centres to observe the following:

- All candidates detected for Covid-19 before schools closed to be integrated into the rest of the candidates as they have completed their isolation, unless the Ministry of Health and Child Care has advised otherwise.
- All candidates and personnel should be strictly screened for Covid-19 daily before the start of examinations.
- Examination centres to enforce the wearing of face masks, washing of hands and the use of sanitisers by all.
- Examination centres to discourage any form of socialisation by candidates before and after an examination session.
- Centres to promptly refer any flu-like symptoms to the nearest health facility.
- Examination centres to encourage candidates to declare any exposure to Covid-19 infection at household level in the last 14 days, such candidates must have quarantine examination conditions.
- Submit attendance statistics for both the candidates and teachers to Head Office through the usual command centre structures by 1000hrs in the morning and 1400hrs in the afternoon daily.
- All invigilators exhibiting flu-like symptoms to be exempted from duty until recovered.
- All invigilators who may have been exposed to infection in the last 14 days to quickly declare their status and undertake the necessary quarantine as advised by the local health facility.

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