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SUPPORT FOR SOZILANI SECONDARY SCHOOL

Mpumalanga MEC for Cooperative Governance, Human Settlements, and Traditional Affairs (CoGHSTA), Mr. Speed Mashilo, visited Sozilani Secondary School in Kwaggafontein, Thembisile Hani Local Municipality, to celebrate an extraordinary milestone—the school's first-ever Matric Class achieved an outstanding 97% pass rate! This remarkable achievement marks a historic moment for the school and a testament to the dedication of learners, educators, and the broader community.

Circuit Manager, Ms. Princess Mbonani, credited the success to the collaborative efforts of teachers, parents, ward councillors, and the school governing body. "Through unwavering support from all stakeholders, we were able to achieve these exceptional results. Notably, our learners excelled in IsiNdebele, earning the highest pass rate in the district. With continued commitment, we are determined to reach a 100% pass rate in the coming years," she stated.

In recognition of the school's achievements and future aspirations, MEC Mashilo emphasised the importance of education, resilience, hard work, and discipline. He commended the learners and educators for their remarkable performance, stating, "This school has proven that with dedication and perseverance, excellence can be achieved. The Class of 2024 has set a high standard, and I have no doubt that the goal of achieving a 100% pass rate is within reach."

Beyond celebrating the school's success, Mashilo led an initiative to identify and address the school's pressing infrastructure needs. He called upon private sector partners and stakeholders to support the school through donations, including a computer lab, classroom renovations, electrification, and Wi-Fi installation. He assured the school that, through this public-private partnership, these improvements would be implemented before the end of the year.

The celebration at Sozilani Secondary School was not just about academic excellence—it was a commitment to sustained development and empowering the next generation with the resources they need to thrive. Through collaboration, investment, and determination, the school is on track to achieving even greater heights in the years to come. Mpumalanga recorded an impressive 84.99% matric pass rate for the class of 2024.

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