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**TO: DEPUTY DIRECTORS-GENERAL
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CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS
EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT OFFICERS
DEPUTY CHIEF EDUCATION SPECIALISTS
SENIOR EDUCATION SPECIALISTS
PRINCIPALS OF SCHOOLS WITH FET PHASE
SCHOOL GOVERNING BODIES
TEACHER UNIONS / ORGANISATIONS**

DATE: 2 MARCH 2017

<p>COMPULSORY USE OF IDENTIFICATION DOCUMENT (ID) NUMBERS IN THE REGISTRATION OF GRADE 12 CANDIDATES FOR THE 2017 EXAMINATIONS</p>

1. The Department of Education received Circular E8 OF 2017 from the Department of Basic Education (DBE), which deals with the compulsory use of Identification Document numbers in the registration of candidates for 2017 Grade 12 examinations.
2. The Council of Education Ministers (CEM) has approved the decision that as from 2017, all candidates registering for the National Senior Certificate (NSC) examinations must present a valid South African Identity Document. Principals are requested to complete the attached **Annexure A**.
3. In the case of a candidate desirous of writing the Senior Certificate (SC) examination, a valid ID must be presented on registration. This implies that SC candidates without a valid South African Identity Document will not be allowed to register for the SC examination.
4. Candidates that are non- citizens (including immigrants), must register for the examination either with a passport or study permit. Asylum document reference numbers will also be accepted. Non-citizens that have been part of the South African Schooling System, but do not have the required documentation to register for the NSC examination in 2017, must be allowed to register for the examination, but will not be issued with the NSC results, until the valid documentation is presented.

5. As from 2018, the presentation of a valid Identity Document will be compulsory for the registration of the National Senior Certificate and the Senior Certificate examinations.
6. All Heads of Education Institutions should ensure that the contents of this Assessment Instruction are brought to the attention of schools and other relevant stakeholders.



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ANNEXURE A

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DECLARATION BY THE PRINCIPAL

I _____, in my capacity as the Principal of
_____ school with the centre number _____,
hereby declare that there are _____ 2017 Grade 12 learners **with** Identity
Documents and _____ 2017 Grade 12 learners **with no** Identity Documents.

SIGNATURE: _____

DATE: _____