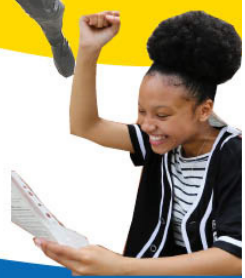
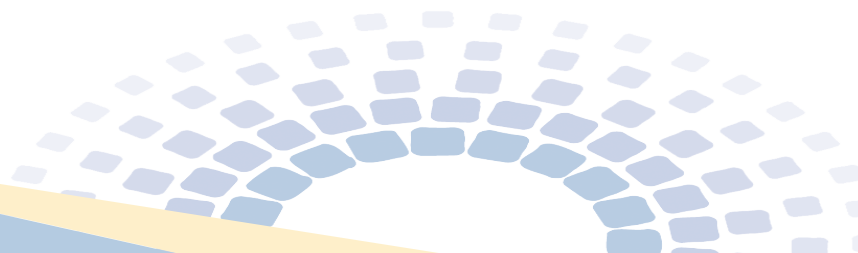




**TOP ACHIEVERS' AWARDS
NATIONAL SENIOR CERTIFICATE
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Purpose of this Memoir Booklet

Dear Reader

The intensive teaching and learning that started in Grade 1 in 2013 has culminated to 2024 Grade 12 achievements of learner outcomes. This Grade 12 cohort not only benefited subject knowledge exclusively but also skills and competencies that will allow them to navigate through the new adult environment.

This booklet exhibits the crème de la crème of the Eastern Cape province. The learners featured in this book emerge from the Grade 12 class of 2024 from all the 12 education districts, having scored exceptionally high marks during the 2024 National Senior Certificate (NSC) examinations.

They are awarded according to different well-defined categories ranging from top performing learners in each of the districts up to the overall achievers in the province. Among the awardees are also categories of candidates who have excelled drawn from special schools and those emerging from the historically disadvantaged backgrounds.

This book shall be the school and family memento that their learner and a child had at some historical time been curved in the annals of education history as counted and immersed amongst the best performer during their schooling days.

We hope and trust that the life inspirational stories shared in this booklet shall be the springboard for the future generations. The pains, joys, failures and successes of the past generations open the eyes and minds of the future generations. This booklet must therefore be kept as a valuable property of the family and be prominently displayed in the school library, so that the future generations can access and read it. This will motivate and burn their desire to achieve more in the future and be the pride of their schools and families.

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MOST IMPROVED DISTRICT : POSITION 3

DIRECTOR:	MR B MNQANQENI
DISTRICT:	CHRIS HANI EAST

2023	2024	INCREASE
84,1%	88,5%	4,47%

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MOST IMPROVED DISTRICT : POSITION 2

DIRECTOR:	MS M TOLOM
DISTRICT:	AMATHOLE EAST

2023	2024	INCREASE
87,8%	87,8%	5.34%



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MOST IMPROVED DISTRICT: POSITION 1

DIRECTOR:	DR B PEYANA
DISTRICT:	OR TAMBO COASTAL

2023	2024	INCREASE
78,4%	84,0%	5,58%

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2024 TOP 3 PERFORMING DISTRICTS

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TOP PERFORMING DISTRICT: POSITION 3

DIRECTOR:	MS N DABULA
DISTRICT:	ALFRED NZO WEST

2023	2024	INCREASE
84,2%	87,0%	2.72%



TOP PERFORMING DISTRICT: POSITION 2

DIRECTOR:	MS M TOLOM
DISTRICT:	AMATHOLE EAST

2023	2024	INCREASE
82,5%	87,8%	5.34%



TOP PERFORMING DISTRICT: POSITION 1

DIRECTOR:	MR B MNQANQENI
DISTRICT:	CHRIS HANI EAST

2023	2024	INCREASE
84,1%	88,5%	4,47%



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2024 SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES

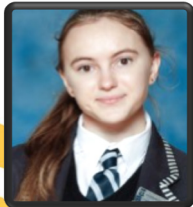
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TOP LEARNER: SPECIFIC LEARNING DISABILITIES



LEARNER:	ERASMUS JOHANE
SCHOOL:	CAPE RECIFE HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Afrikaans Home Language	5	64
Computer Applications Technolo	6	75
English First Additional Langu	6	78
Life Sciences	5	67
Life Orientation	6	73
Mathematics	4	54
Physical Sciences	4	57



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Johan'e Erasmus, and I am the youngest sibling of three girls. I was fortunate to be accepted at Cape Recife High School in beginning of the 4th term in grade 4 and completed my High School journey up to grade 12. At Cape Recife I received more attention due to smaller classes and occupational therapy. During the exams I received extra time and audio assistance. All this improved my self-confidence and determination. I was selected as a RCL member and as Deputy Head Girl.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My motivation is built on my elder's sister, who is a pharmacist. From a young age I showed interest in the medical field. Therefore, I went the extra mile to reach my dream by taking Mathematics, Physical Science and Life Science to accomplish her dream. (attended additional classes)

FUTURE PLANS

I would like to study Radiology at Nelson Mandela University or Occupational Therapy at the University of Cape Town. It's my passion to play a role in the medical field.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

My learning disability didn't stop me to follow my dreams. Through hard work and daily discipline, I prove many people wrong who labelled me through life. My advice to fellow learners will be to believe in yourself and to remember that you are the captain of your own ship. Remember God is your anchor and compass in life.



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MEC'S AWARDS TOP LEARNER

2024
PHYSICAL DISABILITIES

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TOP LEARNER: PHYSICAL DISABILITY



LEARNER:	NANGE INDIPHILE
SCHOOL:	VUKUHAMBE SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Consumer Studies	4	50
English First Additional Langu	4	50
Life Orientation	6	71
Mathematical Literacy	4	52
Tourism	4	51
IsiXhosa Home Language	6	71

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Indiphile Mange, I come from a humble background but my home situation has not stopped my parents from always making plans for me. They have ensured that I go through school with their full support and motivation. Encouraging me to be the best that I can be at all times.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

The most important thing that made me the person I am is the community that I come from. Some community members believe that a person who lives with a disability is unable. This has motivated me to strive to be the best in what I do. Now it is the time for me to show and motivate some who also live with disability that even people with disabilities can achieve something in life.

FUTURE PLANS

I want to be a lawyer who would be assisting the people in the same situation as myself, to stand for what they believe in and achieve their goals. I would like to assist my fellow learners to believe in themselves.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

To the matric class of 2025, my advice is; work hard and never give up, your dreams can become a reality.



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MEC'S AWARDS TOP LEARNER

**2024
AUTISM**

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TOP LEARNER: AUTISM



LEARNER:	LANTU SINXOLO
SCHOOL:	MARELANE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	97
English First Additional Language	7	90
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	7	97
Mathematics	7	88
Physical Sciences	7	83
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I Sinxolo Lantu was born in a poor family background together with my sister, in Fort Beaufort, from parents who's main source income came from seasonal jobs. The family relies on my social grant for a regular income. I started schooling at a mainstream school and struggled to see on the board until 2017 before a social worker assisted me to find a school in Gqeberha to suit my educational needs. My sister is currently studying at Fort Hare university.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My family background inspired me in the main to remain at school to later improve my family life and lift my parents from poverty. My sister further played a significant role in encouraging me to stay on course and focus on my studies despite all odds stacked against us. My principal's efforts to provide conducive teaching and learning resources and her inspiring motivational words throughout the years served as a foundation to launch the performance I have displayed.

FUTURE PLANS

I want to complete my tertiary studies and obtain a degree in Financial Management, as soon as possible. I want to build a home for my parents to thank them for their responsible upbringing and support they displayed throughout my life. I undertake to pay back to society by way of supporting children to educate themselves and provide food and shelter to the people.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 LEARNERS

As you embark on your final year of high school, I want you to remember that grade 12 is a crucial year that requires dedication and hard work. Stay focused on your studies and develop a study routine that works for you. Focus on your goals and spend time wisely. Stay motivated, believe in yourself and surround yourself with supportive peers. Don't hesitate to seek help when needed and push through challenges.



MEC'S AWARDS TOP LEARNER

**2024
VISUALLY IMPAIRMENT**



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TOP LEARNER: VISUALLY IMPAIRED



LEARNER:	JIYA LINAMANDLA
SCHOOL:	EFATA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND & DEAF

Results	Level	%
Business Studies	6	78
English First Additional Langu	5	63
History	6	77
Life Orientation	6	73
Mathematical Literacy	4	51
Tourism	5	64
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	84

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I, Linamandla Jiya, was born on June 4, 2006, to my parents, Nomxolisi and Makhosandile Jiya. I am living with albinism which negatively affects me from time to time. During the preliminary examinations my school, EFATA faced an extortion where the students who live with albinism were threatened. I was able to work hard and keep my head up through the hardships. I was fortunate to have both of my parents raise me, but sadly, my father passed away on 22 July 2024. I was writing my June exams at that time which deeply saddened me. Even though he's no longer with me, I still feel a strong connection to my roots in Tsolo, my hometown, where I grew up and created many memories.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My inspiration comes from the people and relationships in my life, as well as my surroundings. My mom, Nomxolisi, has always been a significant source of inspiration for me. She has been incredibly supportive, and I admire her strength and love. It wasn't only my mom that helped me, my friends and the people I met in Tsolo taught me the importance of community and looking out for one another. Another important source of inspiration is my high school teacher who is totally blind, her ability to teach regardless of what

people deem to be a disability inspired me and made me believe that anything is possible if you put your mind to it as I also want to become an educator.

FUTURE PLANS

After completing my Grade 12, I plan to further my studies at a university of my choice. My goal is to work hard and achieve good grades so I can pursue a career that I love which is teaching. I want to have a positive impact in people's lives and make them believe that the sky is the limit the same way people around me made me believe. I'm excited about the prospect of meeting new people, learning new things, and becoming more independent.

ADVICE TO CLASS OF 2025

To the Grade 12 class of 2025, I encourage you to embrace the challenges you face this year. It's time to push yourselves even further. Remember, Grade 12 isn't just about passing exams—it's about building a strong foundation for your future. Every subject you study and every assignment you complete brings you closer to realising your dreams. You have the power to create the lives you want, so dream big and work hard to turn those dreams into reality. Stay focused, motivated, and committed to your goals. You've got this! You are capable, talented, and deserving of success.



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**2024
HEARING LOSS**

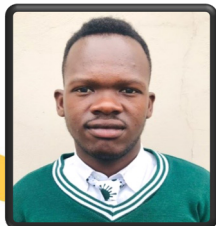
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TOP LEARNER: HEARING LOSS



LEARNER:	NGIYANE SIVE
SCHOOL:	SIVE SPECIAL SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
South African Sign Language Home Language	4	50
English First Additional Language	2	37
Mathematics	2	34
Life Orientation	3	46
Computer Applications Technology	3	49
Consumer Studies	3	41
Tourism	4	58

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Sive Ngiyane a learner at Sive Special School for the deaf. Born on the 17th of April 2004 at Ngcanaseni location in Ntabankulu, I was born Deaf. I grew up in an area with socioeconomic challenges, raised by a family that comes from a humble background. I have five siblings I am the third one and am the only one who is deaf. I started my studies at Sive Special school for the deaf from Grade R until I completed my Grade 12.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I am inspired by my Mathematics teacher whom I always want to emulate. Secondly, I was motivated by all my teachers in FET phase. Lastly, my drive was from the desire of wanting to help my school achieve 100% matric results.

FUTURE PLANS

I want to further my studies to become an educator so that I can contribute to improving Deaf education. I also want to ensure that when deaf learners finish their Matric, I assist them to get access in institutions of Higher Education.

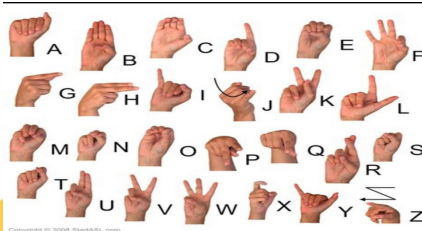
ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I want to advise the current Grade 12 class to be serious in their studies, work hard and not to rest. They must learn from us, as we worked hard until we completed our exams. I also want to plea with them to respect their teachers. They should do their classwork, homework and attend school every day.



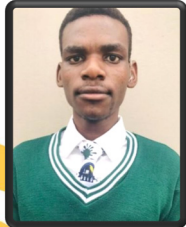
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South African Sign Language





TOP LEARNER: SA SIGN LANGUAGE



LEARNER:	MADIKIZELA PHILASANDE
SCHOOL:	SIVE SPECIAL SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
South African Sign Language Home Language	5	64

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Philasande Madikizela I was born on the 31st January 2004. I was born and raised in Mbizana in Greenville location. Raised by a loving and supportive family and raised by a single mother.

From a young age I have been a front seater due to my disability, however it was always hard to catch up with class lessons because (I couldn't hear properly) of my abnormal hearing. As I got older, it became very frustrating, and my marks were dropping. I had to be admitted at Sive Special School for the Deaf in 2022, it is where I felt I belonged because I was with unique people like me.

What inspired me the most is my mother who supported me from day one and all my teachers, also believing in God that he is always with me.

MY FUTURE PLAN

In future I would like to be a teacher to support my Deaf community and people that I love.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

To the class of 2025: self-discipline and team work is one way to achieve milestones. Trying different ways of studying as well as believing in your goals and vision.



MEC's AWARDS TOP LEARNER

2024 Sesotho Home Language



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TOP LEARNER: SESOTHO HOME LANGUAGE

LEARNER:	MOTSILILI BOITHATELO
SCHOOL:	MVENYANE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Sesotho Home Language	7	89

FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Boithatelo Motsilili raised at Mahlabatheng village which is one of the disadvantaged villages in Matatiele in the Eastern Cape. I was raised by a single parent together with my other two siblings in a humble background. My mother lost her job during the Covid - 19 pandemic when I was doing my Grade 8 and paying for my school needs became a struggle until one of my family members had to come in and assist us. Despite the financial constraints that come with growing up in a disadvantaged community my parents always instilled in me the value of education and persevering through all the challenges one faces.

SOURCES OF INSPIRATION

The resilience and determination of my single parents has always inspired me. The unwavering support of my teachers especially Mr M. Matyeni who always narrated his story on how he made it through poverty always motivated me. The Institution Mvenyane S.S.S. and all its structures in affording me all the Academic support always inspiring me to work hard. The Public Works department adopted me in 2023 for their Programme which gave me a chance to have more information on Engineering Careers and also afforded me a chance to attend School Vacation Camps.

FUTURE PLANS

Growing up, my dream has always been to pursue a career in Construction management. I am driven by the desire to support the education of my siblings and making sure that they receive the best possible education and ultimately for all of us to be independent and successful in our respective pursuits. I am passionate about the development of my town Matatiele, the Eastern Cape province and ultimately my country South Africa.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

Firstly I congratulate you for reaching the matric threshold, the next 12 months will be challenging but filled with opportunities. It will be time for growth and self discovery and cultivating essential qualities that are needed to succeed. Treat your peers, family and teachers with all respect. Recognise that everyone has something valuable to offer and be open to learning. Stay focused on your objectives and avoid distractions. Break down the long term goals into smaller manageable tasks and celebrate your progress along the way. Draw on your inner strength as you progress along the way. There is no substitute for hard work, diligence and perseverance. Nelson Mandela once said the greatest glory in living lies not in failing but in rising every time we fail.



MEC'S AWARDS TOP LEARNER 2024 IsiXhosa Home Language



TOP LEARNER: ISIXHOSA HOME LANGUAGE



LEARNER:	MPOIYA SINOTHANDO MIVUYO
SCHOOL:	ST JAMES SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	93

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Mpoiya Sinothando Mivuyo a 17 years old first born daughter of a single mother, from a family of three but with much more relatives. The Mpoiya household lies in the deep rural of Ngcobo, a family that is deeply rooted in culture but mostly Christianity. I was raised by income earned from hard work under the department of Fire and Disaster Management. As it says, "It takes a village to raise a child." I am also a product of a huge family from Goso village, that offered nothing but love, care, and morals while raising me.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My source of inspiration was my primary school, when I got to high school I had one main goal which was to make name for my primary school. I wanted to make my primary teachers more than proud, and I knew that the only way to achieve it was through academic excellence. Now I can proudly say that I am an alumni of ENDUKU F.S.S in the outskirts of Ngcobo town at Manzana.

FUTURE PLANS

After acceptance I plan to study Law at one of South Africa's institutions of higher education. I believe that in a country that has offered me this much the only token of gratitude I can offer is change. The plan is not to fix what has been done wrong in the past but it's to shift the focus from the past to the present and the future, with the past as a source of inspiration in the whole process. As the national anthem fosters unity I want to evoke a sense of identity as they say, "Intsingaphi lilize ngaphandle kwemvelaphi."

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

In everything you do may you put God first. May you allow him to lead your way because none is impossible with him taking charge. Work together, never undermine each other because you can always learn from each other. Be eager to learn, lust for knowledge, and never rest without knowing. Always listen to your teachers, because they have produced graduates. Never doubt their ability. Most of it all have confidence in yourself, trust your ability. Confidence not Arrogance! All the best.

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Top Learners at Historically Disadvantaged Institutions (HDI) from Districts

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TOP HDI LEARNER: ALFRED NZO EAST POSITION 2



LEARNER:	NGCAUZELE IKANENG
SCHOOL:	MARELANE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	97
English First Additional Language	7	90
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	7	97
Mathematics	7	88
Physical Sciences	7	83
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I come from a loving family of 8 members with my mother being the sole provider in the family. My mother is a teacher and my older siblings are studying at higher institutions. Education is one of the most important aspects in our household. My older siblings passed high school with flying colours and that put pressure on me to do well.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My teachers are my major source of inspiration. Seeing them use up their free time to work with us and perfect us, inspired me to do better. My teachers took on the role of being our parents when we were separated from our parents. They never forgot to inspire us to be the best version of ourselves. They made themselves very approachable making it easy for us to ask for any information. Their passion for their work was reflected in me, making me very passionate.

FUTURE PLANS

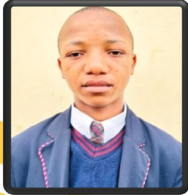
I plan on studying medicine in a prestigious university and work towards my dream of becoming an obstetrician. An obstetrician is a physician that specialises in delivering babies, caring for women during pregnancy and after they give birth.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

My advice to the grade 12 class is firstly to work smart. They should create a circle of good friends. They should humble themselves at all times and ask whenever they need assistance. Share information as much as they can. Use study methods that work for them. Get enough sleep before every exam and avoid overworking themselves. They should not criticise themselves. Most importantly allow God to be their foundation.



TOP HDI LEARNER: ALFRED NZO EAST POSITION 1



LEARNER:	PHEHLAMANZI SIBABALWE
SCHOOL:	A D TSHAYINGCA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	100
English First Additional Language	6	76
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	90
Mathematics	7	90
Physical Sciences	7	95
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	87

FAMILY BACKGROUND

Phehlamanzi Sibabalwe comes from a hard-working, supportive and beautiful family. I know that everyone in my family has been praying for my success therefore I worked hard so as not to disappoint them. My village community is very supportive, everyone looks out for their fellow villagers. The village is close to Mbizana it is known as Mbhongweni village.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My source of inspiration is my family. They had motivated me and supported me and the same goes for all my teachers.

FUTURE PLANS

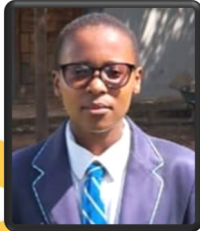
I want to study medicine and want to achieve it with flying colours to become a qualified doctor.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2024

Whenever you do something, do it with a purpose and never give up. Hard work pays off and start now to focus on your studies because the earliest bird catches the fattest worm.



TOP HDI LEARNER: ALFRED NZO WEST POSITION 2



LEARNER:	PHETHELA YONELA
SCHOOL:	THOLANG SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	98
English First Additional Language	7	89
Life Sciences	7	98
Life Orientation	7	88
Mathematics	7	93
Physical Sciences	7	82
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	83

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Yonela Phethela, from Tholang Senior Secondary School in Matatiele. I live in a one-roomed rental house in Matatiele with my mother, Feziwe Phethela, and my two cousins, Andiswa and Olwenene. My mother had three children, but my brother passed away in 2006. My sister, Nosipho Godi, is married. My sister is struggling to find employment even though she is a graduate. The person we depend on financially is my mother who is a domestic worker and whose salary is not quite enough to cover our basic needs.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

When You grow up in a slightly disadvantaged home, you are automatically encouraged to do your level best in everything so that you can score a chance to elevate your family from its current situation to a better one. My other source of inspiration, which drives me to be the best person I can possibly be is

competition. I naturally despise not being at the top so whenever I feel like someone is catching up to me academically, I work extra hard to ensure that they do not stand a chance. It is a slightly unhealthy way of inspiring oneself, but it does work for me.

FUTURE PLANS

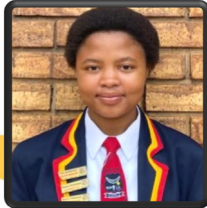
I am planning to pursue a career in Medicine and after completing the MBChB degree, I would love to venture into Neurosurgery because I believe it is a more complex and broad division of medicine. By God's grace, I would like to build my mother a house and buy her the car of her dreams because that woman has sacrificed a lot for me.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

My advice to this year's class of 2025 is that they should work hard and be persistent. They should never doubt their potential, they too can do great and much bigger things than us the class of 2024.



TOP HDI LEARNER: ALFRED NZO WEST POSITION 1



LEARNER:	MAJOVA SIBABALWE
SCHOOL:	ZWELAKHE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	97
English First Additional Language	7	85
Geography	7	96
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	91
Mathematics	7	82
Physical Sciences	7	88
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	81

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My name is Sibabalwe Majova, I am 17 years old. I come from a rural town called Mount Frere in the Eastern Cape, where I live with my family. I am the youngest of five children. My siblings and I have always been there for each other, and my parents have taught us to rely on one another, especially during difficult times. Life at home is not easy, and my family is facing financial struggles.

Education has always been important to them, and they've taught us that it is the key to a better future. I am proud of who I am and where I come from. Despite the financial challenges, I know that my family loves and supports me.

FAMILY BACKGROUND

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My parents, teachers, and siblings have all played a significant role in shaping who I am today. They have taught me the value of hard work, resilience, and faith. Most importantly, they have shown me that no matter the challenges, there is always a way forward if you believe in yourself, work hard, and trust in the power of prayer.

FUTURE PLANS

My future plans are centred around education, service, and giving back. I am determined to study medicine, specialize in a field where I can make the greatest impact, and return to serve my community. Whether it's by offering medical care, educating others, or improving healthcare infrastructure, I aim to make a difference in the lives of those who need it most.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To the Grade 12 learners of 2025: This year will be full of challenges, but it will also be full of growth, learning, and opportunities. Believe in yourself, give it your all, and stay focused on your goals. Listen to your teachers, find a study method that works for you, and don't forget to rest and take care of yourself along the way.

Be mindful of the people you surround yourself with, as they will either lift you up or pull you down. And above all, pray and stay grounded in your faith. You are capable of achieving great things.

Good luck to all of you. Stay focused and believe in your ability to succeed. You've got this!



TOP HDI LEARNER: AMATHOLE EAST POSITION 2



LEARNER:	KHONKCO ATHAYANDA
SCHOOL:	GANIZULU SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	96
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Meet Athayanda Khonkco, a bright and ambitious scholar who has defied adversity to achieve academic excellence.

FAMILY BACKGROUND

Born into a loving family, I have faced unimaginable challenges from a tender age. The devastating loss of my mother at the age of 8 marked the beginning of my tempestuous journey. Following my mother's passing, my grandmother, though willing to care for me, was faced with the harsh reality of not having the means to provide for my needs. I was sent to live with my paternal family, where I continued my education. Despite this, my maternal grandmother remained my pillar of strength, providing emotional support and guidance. Two years later, when I was 10, my father passed away and his passing left me in the care of my paternal grandmother and my uncle who selflessly became my guardian and mentor. However, my maternal grandmother passed away during my matric year, leaving me under the sole care of the Rambeni family.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Despite the hardships I faced, I drew inspiration from my grandmother's unwavering strength and resilience. My grandmother's guidance, wisdom,

and unconditional love instilled in me the courage to persevere and strive for greatness. I was inspired by amazing teachers whose tireless efforts, guidance and support have played a pivotal role in my academic success. I also draw strength from my late parents, whose memories continue to motivate me to succeed. A motto that has guided me throughout my school journey is: It is better to aim for the stars and not reach them than to never aim at all.

FUTURE PLANS

I aspire to pursue a career in medicine, driven by my desire to make a positive impact on my community. I plan to study hard, seek out opportunities for growth, and stay committed to my goals.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To my fellow matriculants, I offer these words of encouragement: Never give up, no matter how daunting the challenges may seem. Draw strength from your struggles, and use them as stepping stones to success. Surround yourself with positive influences, stay focused, and remain true to yourself. Remember, your past does not define your future; your resilience, determination, and hard work will shape the person you become.

TOP HDI LEARNER: AMATHOLE EAST POSITION 1



LEARNER:	MAHASHI ANAM
SCHOOL:	JS SKENJANA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	82
Geography	7	93
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	90
Mathematics	7	97
Physical Sciences	7	95
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86

FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Anam Mahashi. I come from an adoring family that is made up of mother, father, and 5 siblings. I come from an underprivileged home where my father was the only person employed in the family.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My family kept me motivated and they were my inspiration. I come from a family where education is considered as a priority. My teachers were also my source of inspiration throughout my school years as they motivated me and supported me to reach my full potential.

FUTURE PLANS

My plan for the future is to secure a good job that will help me provide for my family and change their lives for the better. I want

to make my parents and everyone who believed in me, proud. I plan to do more than I have done and achieve great things through education.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

My advice to the class of 2025 would be to work smart and avoid any distractions. Find a source of motivation that will constantly remind you of what you ought to be. As my school principal always said,

“Time wasted never returns”, spend all your time working on being the best you can be. Surround yourself with people who are like-minded. Never be comfortable with being average.



TOP HDI LEARNER: AMATHOLE WEST POSITION 2



LEARNER:	NKOMONDE SISONKE
SCHOOL:	NATHANIEL PAMLA HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	91
English First Additional Language	6	79
Life Sciences	7	90
Life Orientation	7	93
Mathematics	7	86
Physical Sciences	7	84
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Sisonke Nkomonde who comes from a family of five children - four boys and one girl, and I'm the youngest. Our family is originally from Hlosini village in Ngqushwa, but we moved to Power Location in the same town. I was raised by both parents, but I spent most of my childhood living with my dad, my siblings and a helper. This was because my mom works as a live-in chef in King William's Town. My late dad was an army veteran who later became a security officer before he passed away. We were raised by a very strict and religious father.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Coming from a family that's often seen as intelligent is what has driven me the most. I've heard so much about how my parents were top students in their time, A-learners, and how that intelligence was passed down to all of us. My sister made it to university - she was also the first one to pass matric with distinctions. This made me determined to show that intelligence, when combined with hard work and resilience, can lead to real success.

FUTURE PLANS

My prospective academic pursuits involve enrolling at the University of Cape Town (UCT) to study actuarial science. This field captivates me due to its numerical emphasis, aligning with my affinity to work with numbers. Furthermore, I am drawn to the business sector and aspire to complement my actuarial science degree with skills in artificial intelligence. Ultimately, my goal is to harness my skills in actuarial science and artificial intelligence to uplift marginalised communities, particularly rural areas and impoverished townships.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

It might seem impossible until you actually do it. Use your past question papers - don't get tired of them, they're incredibly helpful. Study ahead, put in those extra hours, and sacrifice your fun time. And here's the hard truth: listen to your teachers. They know better, and they are right. Be willing to be "too much" if you have to - too much of a nerd, too much of a bookworm. Do whatever it takes until you're proud of your work.

TOP HDI LEARNER: AMATHOLE WEST POSITION 1



LEARNER:	DZIYA LUSIA LILITHA
SCHOOL:	SIPHO CAMAGU HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	6	75
Geography	7	96
Life Sciences	7	89
Life Orientation	7	92
Mathematics	7	84
Physical Sciences	7	87
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	87

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Lusia Lilitha Loveness Dziya, I come from a loving and supportive family, consisting of my mom, Siphokazi, my grandma, Klemetjie Cordelia, my two big brothers, my aunt, my uncle and my two cousins. We've shared an incredible bond, growing up as one big family unit. Despite occasional disagreements, our love and appreciation for each other has remained unwavering. My grandma, worked as a maid her whole life, she instilled in me the value of perseverance and dedication. My family has significantly influenced my life, teaching me the importance of unity, love, and support.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My mom, employed by the Community Work Programme (CWP), has been a constant source of inspiration, demonstrating the importance of community service and compassion.

My geography teacher, Mr. Wandile Mlomo. His remarkable journey resonates deeply with me, he faced numerous challenges but persevered and rose to the top. Witnessing his determination and success instilled in me the unwavering belief that I too can overcome adversity.

MY FUTURE PLANS

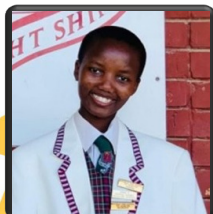
I plan to attend the University of Johannesburg (UJ) to pursue a degree in either engineering or medicine. I am eager to gain practical experience in the engineering field, which will enable me to apply theoretical knowledge to real-world problems. I aim to acquire proficiency in languages beyond those spoken in South Africa. This will not only broaden my cultural understanding but also empower me to communicate effectively with people from diverse backgrounds.

MESSAGE TO FELLOW MATRICS LEARNERS OF 2025

As you embark on this final year of your high school journey, I want to remind you that this is your time. This is your moment to shine, to shatter glass ceilings, and to chase your dreams. There will be late nights, early mornings, and moments where you will feel like giving up. But I urge you to push through, to persevere, and to believe in yourself. Class of 2025, rise to the challenge, seize opportunities, and make your mark in the world.



TOP HDI LEARNER: BUFFALO CITY POSITION 2



LEARNER:	NANTO KHUSELEKA
SCHOOL:	MASIXOLE HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	6	73
Geography	7	98
Life Sciences	7	90
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	97
Physical Sciences	7	93
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	91

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I, Nanto Khuseleka was born on the 26th of October 2006, my mother was still at varsity at that time so I had to go and stay with my great-grandmother in the rural areas Tsholomnqa, Kwa Sandile. It was not a good environment to raise a child but there was no other way. We lived off pension money. Some other days I would go to school on an empty stomach. When I was about to start Grade 1 my mother took me to Mdantsane to go and live with her and my grandmother.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Since my mother had dropped out of varsity and at home there was no graduate, that inspired me to become the first graduate at home. My aunt managed to graduate two times so she instantly became my role model. She showed me that if you focus on your dreams everything is possible despite the challenges that you are facing. Having teachers who are highly educated also inspired me to become educated just like them.

FUTURE PLANS

I plan to go to the University of Cape Town to study Actuarial Science. After I get my degree I plan to study further, the dream is to become an Actuary who will serve the country with pride. I will only stop studying once I get my PhD and be called Dr Khuseleka Nanto.

I also plan to do everything for my mother and grandmother because they made a lot of sacrifices to raise me well, so I will ensure that they never struggle again.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

I advise the class of 2025 to always listen to their teachers, put all their energy on school work and nothing else. They must make sure they arrive on time at school so that they are ready for the start of lessons. They must always do their homework because they help a lot in understanding the content. They must take their studies seriously and study as if they have an exam coming up always.

TOP HDI LEARNER: BUFFALO CITY POSITION 1



LEARNER:	SOKONI EMYOLI
SCHOOL:	EBENEZER MAJOMBOZI HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	98
English First Additional Language	7	87
Life Sciences	7	95
Life Orientation	7	96
Mathematics	7	90
Physical Sciences	7	90
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88

FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Sokoni Emyoli, I come from Duncan Village, a township often characterized by its challenges, but I firmly believe that my environment has only fuelled my determination to excel. Growing up in a disadvantaged setting has taught me resilience, empathy, and the importance of hard work. Education has always been my priority, and I strive to perform to the best of my abilities.

FUTURE PLANS

I have a keen interest in mathematics and finance, which has led me to set my sights on becoming an actuarial scientist. My ambition is to harness my skills in mathematics, statistics, and analytical thinking to contribute to crucial decisions that can transform lives. I aim to change the circumstances of my home and those around me.

SOURCE OF INSPIATION

I envision a future where I can be a beacon of hope and a source of inspiration for others in my community. I aspire to create opportunities and drive positive change that impacts not just my life but the lives of many.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To those who come after me, I urge you to embrace your unique journey. Your past may shape you, but it does not define you. Be relentless in pursuing your passions, work hard, and never lose sight of your dreams. Challenges may arise, but each obstacle is an opportunity for growth. Remember, your voice matters, and your actions can inspire others. Stand tall, believe in yourself, and strive to be the change you wish to see in the world. The future is bright, and it's yours to shape.



TOP HDI LEARNER: CHRIS HANI EAST POSITION 2



LEARNER:	PUWANA MIHLALI
SCHOOL:	NYANGA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	94
Business Studies	7	97
Economics	7	95
English First Additional Language	7	81
Life Orientation	7	97
Mathematics	6	79
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	93



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Mhlali Puwana. I am the first born of Andiswa Puwana who happened to be the victim of teenage pregnancy. Yes, as you might have guessed I am also one of the many children who grew up without fathers. I am originally from Port St Johns but I grew up in Mithatha. I was raised by a lovely woman by the name of Nomandla Langa who is my grandmother. I studied my lower grades at Ntapane J.S.S and proceeded to Nyanga High School for my higher grades. My grandmother was a petrol attendant and she lost her job a few years back, things started to take a turn for the worst ever since. I had to watch the woman that I always believed was strong fall apart over time, she was then forced to become a street vendor for us as a family to survive.

SOURCES OF INSPIRATION

My grandmother has nothing but always tries everything for me to have something, personally for me that is where I always find inspiration. I have always prayed to God to never let her down. Even when I felt like giving up, I would think of her. I knew that I had to make her proud by focusing on my academics. She would celebrate my achievements regardless of how small they are. She would congratulate me on getting level 6 in Mathematics when I had worked for level 7. That woman is a big part of my life and I am grateful to God for her. I wake up every day telling myself that nobody will change the situation of my family but me. My teachers, who always believed in me when I even lost hope at times, also played a role in keeping me focused.

Back then I thought they were putting pressure on me but I am grateful they did. I would not be here if they were not by my side so, thank you to the entire team.

FUTURE PLANS

I always wanted to be an Accountant. My love for commercial subjects grew deeper as I progressed in the commercial field. I want to be a chartered accountant in the near future. When the time comes, I will build my grandmother the house of her choice. At some point in my career, I will travel the world, have my own company. I have so many plans and I'm willing to work hard, dedicate and commit myself to those dreams.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

The first thing is to always listen to your teachers. They may seem to be annoying but they mean well. Nothing in this world ever comes easy. If it does not make you cry, sweat or feel like giving up it is not worth it. All it takes is dedication and hard work then you will get there. Put God at the center of everything you do. Tell God everything, He listens. Pray each and every day and always trust God. Grade 12 is not easy but if you trust God and study your books it will all work out at the end. There is a quote that always kept me which goes "YOU FIRST DESTROY THEN YOU CREATE." First destroy every negativity and all the doubts you have about yourself and write your own story. Create something you will be proud of and always believe in yourself, because at some point no one can do it besides you. You have the power to destroy and create. It was given to you by God so use it for the best, good luck for your last lap of your NSC.



TOP HDI LEARNER: CHRIS HANI EAST POSITION 1



LEARNER:	NKANGALA BUNTU
SCHOOL:	COFIMVABA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	89
Business Studies	7	99
Economics	7	93
English First Additional Language	7	80
Life Orientation	7	83
Mathematics	7	96
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	84

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Nkangala Buntu born in Ngcaca rural location in Cofimvaba. I come from a loving family with plenty of siblings and parents who have always supported me. We have a strong bond and always enjoy spending time together. My family values education, hard work and tradition. We encourage each other to pursue our passions and strive for excellence. My family has taught me the importance of perseverance and hard work. I have been able to apply these values to my own life which has now helped me to grow and achieve my goals.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My mother, who is an educator at my high school, has always been my biggest inspiration. Her selflessness, kindness, and perseverance motivate me to be a better person. I'm also inspired by Cristiano Ronaldo's dedication, work-ethic and passion for his craft. He shows me that with hard work and determination a person can achieve his goals.

FUTURE PLANS

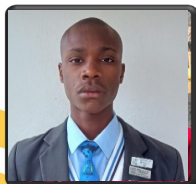
In the next few years, I plan to pursue a degree in Accounting and Finance followed by obtaining a qualification as a chartered accountant. In addition to my accounting career, I'm am also passionate about football and plan to continue playing at a competitive level.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would advise them to be organized, focused on schoolwork from the start of the school term, focused on understanding, stay positive and motivated and enjoy the journey



TOP HDI LEARNER: CHRIS HANI WEST POSITION 2



LEARNER:	NYAKOMBI ONAKO
SCHOOL:	LUKHANYO HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	6	79
Geography	7	89
Life Sciences	7	89
Life Orientation	7	87
Mathematics	7	96
Physical Sciences	7	90
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	83



FAMILY BACKGROUND

I Nyakombi Onako lives in a small town in the Easter Cape known as Indwe with the high rate of unemployment. I am living with my Mother (Nyakombi Neliswa) and I have four siblings. I come from a family of four, including my parents and younger sister whom I sincerely love. Furthermore, both my parents are still alive conversely, my mother is a hard-worker and dedicated being, who raised me single-handedly. I have been brought-up by my mother's side support of the family especially my grandmother using her pension money.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I drew my source of inspiration from my disadvantage poverty stricken family and I used it to set my academic goals .

My source of inspiration comes from unusual angles but the end results are breath-taking. The first stimulus is the fact that in my family there are no graduates therefore, that kept me pushing. It all started when I was in grade 9 with a huge task of having to change a perception based on statistics that females are smart ones in Mathematics.

FUTURE PLANS

When I imagine my future, I see myself enrolling in an Aviation school to be prepared as a professional Pilot. Moreover, the passion I possess about Aviation career is bigger than my aforesaid background, but nothing will stop me to realise it. Likewise, it can only be unlocked by conquering a lucrative funding sufficient for my demanding studies Apart from being a Pilot, my second choice is to pursue Medicine course aiding as a doctor and third choice would be doing Civil Engineering course.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

The advice that I would share with 2025 Matric scholars is the one that molded me to be a SMART student as follow:

Be specific to what to want to learn and master: break your notes/material in small manageable chunks in order to grasp easily.

Always measure your learning: always check the number of hours per week and your efforts versus your outcomes.

Making it achievable: check what you need to achieve according to set targets and monitor your resources. How relevant is it for you? Always checking relevance as per your set career goals?



TOP HDI LEARNER: CHRIS HANI WEST POSITION 1



LEARNER:	BATHEMBU ALIZWA
SCHOOL:	JOE SLOVO FREEDOM HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	80
Geography	7	87
History	7	84
Life Orientation	7	85
Mathematical Literacy	7	98
Tourism	7	94
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86



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FAMILY BACKGROUND.

My name is Alizwa Bathembu. I was born in Molteno in the Eastern Cape. I was raised by my mother who was a single parent and employed as an administration clerk at Joe Slovo Freedom High School. My mother passed away in 2012. My siblings and I were then raised by my unemployed aunt.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION.

My source of inspiration came from my late sister who herself had big dreams of achieving success. Her death inspired me to do more academically, through focus, commitment and dedication. I was also motivated by the situation at home, the poverty at home and the way we struggled financially became my biggest inspiration. One of my inspirations was the way my community was disadvantaged, the high level of unemployment and poverty in my community made me work harder. I want to change the situation at home, and I realised that the only way to achieve that is by working hard and sacrificing.

FUTURE PLANS

I plan on furthering my studies by pursuing a career in Law. I will be doing an LLB degree at the University of Cape Town and proceed to becoming a successful lawyer and change the landscape of my countries politics and hopefully assist in developing our country.

ADVICE FOR THE CLASS OF 2025

To the class of 2025. I would advise you to set your goals as soon as possible, be motivated all the time and find a source of inspiration. Start working from the beginning of the year, study smart and ensure your balance all your subjects. Do not focus on one subject study all of them as they are all critical. Get plenty of rest to avoid fatigue. Seek assistance when you do not understand something. Remember that No Man is An Island, so work in groups and assist each other. And remember; Money is just numbers and numbers you spend, but does not define your richness, your richness are the people surrounding you.

TOP HDI LEARNER: JOE GQABI POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MAHLAKAMETSA LESELI
SCHOOL:	TLOKWENG SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	80
Geography	7	91
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	96
Mathematics	7	89
Physical Sciences	7	90
Sesotho Home Language	7	83

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Leseli Mhlakametsa and grew up in a low emerging middle-class family. A family of well-educated individuals but of lower socio – economic status due to unemployment within the family. I grew up in a family of five. I come from a small village called Makalaleng in a town in Sterkspruit. I attended Tlokweng secondary school.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

“The more I learn, the more I realize how much I don’t know “ - Albert Einstein.

His determination was and is a source of inspiration to me. It helped me to stay focused on achieving my goals. Through his words, most preferably his quotes I do believe that imagination can get you everywhere.

FUTURE PLANS

My goal is to be a student in one of the biggest institutions under the Faculty of Health Sciences, studying to be a medical doctor. An institution whose excellence in education is recognized globally.

ADVICE TO 2025 MATRIC CLASS

My advice for 2025 matriculants is that they don't have much time, use your time wisely, study hard, ask for help when you're struggling with something, don't miss a day of school and make sure you attend all those afternoon classes and camps. Most of all, listen to your teachers! They've been here before and they know better. Stay focused, stay calm and give it your all. Your efforts will undoubtedly be rewarded. Here's to a bright and promising future that awaits you. Best of luck to the matric class of 2025

TOP HDI LEARNER: JOE GQABI POSITION 1



LEARNER:	BUHLUNGU LIKHO
SCHOOL:	UMTHAWELANGA S S SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	90
English First Additional Language	7	86
Geography	7	90
Life Sciences	7	87
Life Orientation	7	91
Mathematical Literacy	7	99
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	84



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Likho Buhlungu, born on March 28 2007 to Busisiwe Buhlungu, a single mother. I am the last born of three children. I was raised by my grandfather who was a self-employed brick layer and tried his best to make ends meet and my grandmother who was unemployed. My grandfather was the greatest contributor to my primary school education, doing that financially as my mother could not afford to take the three of us as her children to fee paying schools. Growing up as the last born of three children of which two were over a decade ahead of me in terms of school work, I did struggle academically, one of the reasons being that I did not have anyone at home who was my peer to help me out with my school work taking into consideration that we lived in a village that was distant from the town where I attended school. I had no choice but to push myself to study hard even though I did not have most study resources. When my grandparents died to Corona Virus in 2020, our household suffered a financial setback. My mother now had to work twice as hard to make sure that I went to school and I was well taken care of. This is one of the reasons why I joined Umthawelanga Senior Secondary school for my secondary education. In my matric year my mother made sure that I had everything I needed and made it a point to contribute to everything that the school required.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I acquired my inspiration from my mother because I have witnessed part of her life where she struggled but made no excuse to provide for my needs. She never let any obstacle put her down for good. The woman had hope in the most hopeless situations and showed me that with faith nothing is impossible also that all one needs is God to soldier through any barriers. I get from her that if I really want to achieve something, no circumstance can hinder me. During my matric year, I would watch videos of the provincial awards on YouTube for motivation when I did not feel like studying and that would provide with energy to study because I dreamt of being one of the awarded candidates

on a provincial level. Supporting this was my geography teacher who believed that I would one day be invited for such event.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

As you stand at the threshold of this new chapter, I want to share with you the lessons I've learned on my own journey. I'm not here to tell you that I have all the answers, but I hope that my experiences can offer you some guidance and inspiration. Firstly, don't be afraid to dream big. Your dreams are the spark that will drive you to work hard and push beyond your limits. But, remember that dreams without effort are just wishes. Be willing to put in the work and make sacrifices to achieve your goals. Secondly, don't compare yourself to others. Your journey is unique, and your successes and failures are yours alone. Focus on your own growth and progress and celebrate the achievements of those around you. Thirdly, take care of yourself. Grade 12 can be overwhelming, but it's essential to prioritize your physical and mental health. Make time for exercise, eat well, and get enough sleep. And, don't be afraid to ask for help when you need it. Fourthly, cherish the relationships you have with your family, friends, and teachers. These people will be your support system, your sound board, and your biggest cheerleaders. Nurture these relationships, and don't be afraid to lean on them when you need to. Lastly, remember that failure is not the opposite of success; it's a part of it. You will make mistakes, you will stumble, and you will face setbacks. But, it's how you respond to these challenges that will define you. Don't be afraid to take risks, to try new things, and to push beyond your comfort zone. As you navigate the ups and downs of Grade 12, I want to endow you with a quote from Nelson Mandela, who said, "The greatest glory in living lies not in never falling, but in rising every time we fall." Remember that you are capable of greatness, not despite your failures, but because of them.

Congratulations, Grade 12 Class of 2025! I have no doubt that you will achieve great things and make your mark on the world.



TOP HDI LEARNER: NELSON MANDELA POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MATINHA PETROS
SCHOOL:	JAMES JOLOBE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	81
Geography	7	97
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	91
Mathematics	7	96
Physical Sciences	7	95
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	84



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Petros! Matinha coming from a close-knit family where I was raised by my sister and brother, who became my guardians after my mother passed away when I was very young. At the time, I was in Grade 1. I never knew my father, as he was absent from my life. Despite these challenges, my siblings instilled in me the value of education, just as my mother once did. Their sacrifices and unwavering belief for the power of learning have shaped me into someone who cherishes the pursuit of knowledge.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I am a determined student, driven by the ambition to excel academically. Being a foreigner, I have often faced discrimination and challenges, such as affording school fees. However, these obstacles fuel my desire to prove wrong the stereotypes associated with people from my background. The poverty my family experiences as foreigners, along with the struggles we endure, pushes me to thrive for success. I refuse to let circumstances define my potential, and instead, I strive to be a symbol of resilience and achievement.

FUTURE PLANS

My dream is to study Actuarial Science at the University of Pretoria. After obtaining my degree, I plan to pursue a master's in this field. I am also passionate about Computer Science and hope to study it in the future, combining my interests to make meaningful contributions in both domains. With faith, hard work, and determination, I aim to rise above my circumstances and create a legacy of hope and success.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Soar to great heights and remember, the sky is not the limit. Always aim higher. The journey to success demands sacrifice, and the price may feel steep, but the rewards are worth it. Do not wait until regret settles in before acting. Listen closely to your teachers, as their wisdom paves the way forward. Build meaningful relationships with them and your peers. These connections will open doors to countless opportunities that may otherwise remain unseen. Work diligently and always begin with the end in mind. Believe in yourself, for greatness lies within your grasp.



TOP HDI LEARNER: NELSON MANDELA POSITION 1



LEARNER:	CUBA AYABONGA ABDAL
SCHOOL:	SOQHAYISA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	93
English First Additional Language	6	79
Life Sciences	7	95
Life Orientation	7	94
Mathematics	7	100
Physical Sciences	7	97
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Ayabonga Cuba, I was born in 2006 on the 21st of October. I live in Motherwell, a dusty and poor township in Port Elizabeth. I grew up in Motherwell living with my mother, her mother (my grandmother), my two uncles and my young cousin sister. I was 2 years old in 2008 August 13th when my mother unfortunately passed away after a short illness. My father also followed suit in 2014 November 13th even though we did not live together but he was also a part of my life. My grandmother has been taking care of me since then. She gets a small pension grant, which is the only source of income. Despite our struggles, my grandmother has always been there for me, supporting me and encouraging me to work hard.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My grandmother is my biggest inspiration. She has been taking care of me since my mother passed away. Despite our struggles, she always finds a way to provide for me. Her strength and love inspire me to work hard and make her proud. My teachers have also been a great source of inspiration. Their kindness and support have made a huge difference in my life. I also draw inspiration from my own journey. I have learned to be strong to rise above challenges and believe in myself. I am proud of how far I have come, and I know that I can achieve even more. Soqhayisa Senior Secondary School, under the leadership of Principal Nopote, has been instrumental in my academic journey, my maths teachers, Mr. Mtyingizane and Ma'am Qwane, who have played a key role in my academic success.

MY FUTURE PLANS

I plan to study Actuarial Science at the University of Witwatersrand. I am excited about this opportunity, and I am willing to work hard to achieve my goal. I want to become the best in my field and use my skills to give back to my community. I plan to work with schools in my area to help students who are struggling with mat and science. I also want to invest my time and resources in my community. I plan to donate to local charities and help those in need. My ultimate goal is to work for a top company and use my skills to make a positive impact. I am committed to continuing my studies and becoming the best version of myself.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To my fellow learners, I want to share with you the lessons I've learned throughout my journey. Never give up on your dreams, no matter how tough life gets. I have been through a lot, but I have always believed in myself and my abilities. My advice to you is to work hard and stay focused. Do not let your circumstances define you. Instead use them as motivation to push yourself to be better, remember, it is never too late to start working towards your goals. To succeed, you must take charge of your own learning. Do not wait for others to push you, start studying and reading to understand on your own. Practice with the latest question papers for each topic to test your knowledge.

TOP HDI LEARNER: OR TAMBO COASTAL POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MZANANDA ATHENKOSI
SCHOOL:	TOLI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	6	77
Geography	7	96
Life Sciences	7	93
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	90
Physical Sciences	7	95
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	87

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Athenkosi Mzananda is a 19-year-old boy born in Lusikisiki. I was born into a large family where resilience and determination were instilled at an early age. Out of 15 siblings I am the 12th child, my mother passed on and now we are left with our father who is selling small goods to make ends meet.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My teachers and the habit of prayer at home and in our school has been my source of inspiration. My late mother who worked tirelessly to provide for us, taught me the value of hard work and perseverance. Even though life was not easy, she never gave up. My siblings who are excelling in their studies push me to do better, their success and the success of the previous top achievers at Toli SSS causes me to rise above and inspire me to aim for my own success so that I can make my family and community proud.

FUTURE PLANS

I would like to become an engineer; it is a dream I've held onto for years. I would like to provide financial stability for my family. I want to build a home where my siblings can be safe and supported and to have a proper place where they call home. I would also like to mentor and give support to other disadvantaged children who are coming from a poor background like mine.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would like to advise them to maintain their focus, not take their studies lightly. They must allocate time for their books and reduce time spent on their phones and other things. They must seek help from the teachers and the rest of the learners. Being responsible and maintaining a high level of discipline will help them to face any challenges.



TOP HDI LEARNER: OR TAMBO COASTAL POSITION 1



LEARNER:	MAVULA MBASA
SCHOOL:	TOLI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	83
Life Sciences	7	99
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	89
Nautical Science	7	93
Physical Sciences	7	89
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Mbasa Mavula is an 18-year-old girl born and bred in Lusikisiki. I am coming from a family of seven siblings, being the third child. Both parents are unemployed, we all survive on child support grant that we receive for three kids. Since September 2024 I stopped receiving my social grant because I turned 18.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My source of inspiration is my family background. Though my father is a hawker and my mother is unemployed, I have always looked up to them for their hard work and dedication in raising us to the best of their abilities. The zeal to change our lives and relieve the stress of my family is what keeps me going. The support and motivation that I have received from my educators at Toli SSS was also a great source of inspiration. I will never forget prayers rendered at Toli daily, they raise each and every one from the ashes.

FUTURE PLANS

When I came to Toli SSS, I was introduced to Maritime studies and my dream of becoming a Ship Captain became a reality. I would like to pursue my degree in Nautical Science at CPTU and eventually become a sea captain on a ship sailing in international waters, from one continent to another.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would like to advise them to stay consistent, to have regular study habits and not leave everything for the last minute. I would also advise them to break down their study material into manageable chunks and revisit consistently. They must not forget time management and create a timetable to balance their studies. They must not fear to ask for help when struggling with a certain topic/subject, reaching out to educators and other learners. Practising with past papers to familiarize yourself with exam format assists.

TOP HDI LEARNER: OR TAMBO INLAND POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MPHAKATHI OVAYO
SCHOOL:	ZINGISA COMPREHENSIVE SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	86
Business Studies	7	96
Economics	7	98
English First Additional Language	7	90
History	7	88
Life Orientation	7	87
Mathematics	6	71

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Ovayo Mphakathi and my journey to becoming the person that I am today has not been easy. I lost my parents at a young age, my mother, when I was 11 years old. As for my father, I heard that he died when I was 14 years old. Losing both my parents was a tragedy that shook my world, but amid that darkness, I found solace in the unwavering support of my grandmother. I grew up in a big family and it was instilled in me the values of hard work, perseverance and compassion.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I draw most of my inspiration from my grandmother's values of selflessness, wisdom, kindness and compassion. My inspiration is also drawn from my own potential and the relentless pursuit of excellence. It is from the drive to push boundaries, to innovate and to make a meaningful impact. I am also inspired by the people that I meet along the way of life, who embody resilience, determination and passion. Their stories, their struggles and their triumphs inspire me to strive for more.

FUTURE PLANS

I aim to pursue a career in Chartered Accountancy at the University of Cape Town. I will be studying the Bachelor of Business Science: Finance with Accounting for 4 years and later aim at being a CA(SA) accredited accountant.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

First and foremost, believe in yourself. Your potential is limitless, and your hard work will pay off. Don't be afraid to dream big and set SMARTER goals. Stay focused, disciplined and committed. Learn from any failure and see it as an opportunity for growth. Surround yourself with positivity, with people who inspire and motivate you to be the best version of yourself. Remember that Grade 12 is not just about academics but is about personal growth and self-discovery. Understand that success is not a destination but a lifelong journey of continuous learning and growth.



TOP HDI LEARNER: OR TAMBO INLAND POSITION 1



LEARNER:	MALIWA MUSA
SCHOOL:	E N SEKU SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	90
Geography	7	97
Life Sciences	7	89
Life Orientation	7	92
Mathematics	7	87
Physical Sciences	7	93
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	89



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Musa Maliwa, born on January 8, 2002, to a family that has faced its share of challenges. Due to circumstances beyond her control, my mother had to take the difficult decision to entrust my care to my maternal grandmother at a relatively young age. My father was not actively involved in my upbringing so my grandmother played a pivotal role in shaping my early life. I was raised in a large and vibrant family setting, alongside my sibling and cousins, where we all relied heavily on my grandmother's pension fund as our primary source of financial support. Despite the financial constraints, my grandmother's love, care and dedication provided a stable and nurturing environment that allowed me to thrive and grow into the person I am today.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

It is the resilient young people in rural areas, who face the harsh realities of poverty on a daily basis, that fuel my determination. I want to be a beacon of hope, a testament to the fact that no matter where you come from or what challenges you face, you have the power to create a better future for yourself and those around you.

FUTURE PLANS

My future plans are centered around pursuing a career in Medicine at one of South Africa's prestigious universities. I am committed to excelling in my academic endeavors, with the goal of completing my studies on time. Ultimately, my vision is to establish my own surgical practice, where I can provide quality healthcare services to our community and make a meaningful impact on the lives of our people.

I am also planning to share my life's journey with the world through the publication of a book. This memoir will chronicle my experiences, struggles, and triumphs, with the hope of inspiring and motivating others who may be facing similar challenges.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To the class of 2025, I offer these words of wisdom: don't let your circumstances define your potential. Rise above the challenges around you and stay committed to your goals. Set clear objectives and work diligently to achieve them. Establish a well-structured study plan and collaborate with your teachers to ensure you're on the right track. Make the most of the resources available to you. Do not hesitate to seek help - remember, perseverance and determination are key to unlocking your full potential.

TOP HDI LEARNER: SARAH BAARTMAN POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MANELI ANATHI
SCHOOL:	VELILE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	92
English First Additional Language	7	82
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	90
Mathematics	7	80
Physical Sciences	7	88
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	81

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Anathi Maneli, I come from a loving and supportive family that has always encouraged me to achieve greatness. Growing up in the small town of Peddie, I was raised by my grandparents while my mother, a single parent, worked as a teacher in the neighbouring town of Port Alfred. Growing up under my grandparents' care, I learned to rely on myself from a tender age. I'd wake up before dawn, get ready for school, and tackle my homework solo. It wasn't always easy, but it taught me to be self-sufficient and resilient. My two siblings, my older sister Ongezwa and my twin sister Anelisa, have always pushed me to do my best.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My source of inspiration has been my mother and grandmother. My grandmother was my biggest cheerleader, believing in me and giving me the confidence to participate in school competitions and work hard. My mother, a hardworking and kind-hearted person, has been a role model for me. I strive to work twice as hard to become half the woman she is.

FUTURE PLANS

As I look to the future, I plan to pursue a career in engineering, where I can apply my skills and

knowledge to make a positive impact. I aim to complete my studies, gain practical experience, and eventually become a leader in my field. I also hope to give back to my community through volunteer work and mentorship programs, inspiring others to pursue their passions.

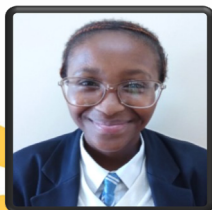
ADVICE TO THE 2025 MATRIC CLASS

Firstly, attend extra classes, which are designed to help you gain more knowledge and improve on topics you struggle with or want to excel in.

Secondly, surround yourself with smart learners who share your goals and aspirations. Being part of a community that values education and hard work can motivate you to push yourself beyond your limits.

Thirdly, find healthy ways to deal with anxiety, which can be overwhelming during matric. Engage in stress-reducing activities like exercise, meditation, or hobbies that bring you joy. Make time for relaxation and self-care, and don't hesitate to seek help from teachers, family, or friends when you need it, and lastly, prepare for your exams and tests well in advance. Create a study schedule, set realistic goals, and review material consistently. Stay organized, focused, and committed to your goals, and you'll be well on your way to achieving success in matric and beyond.

TOP HDI LEARNER: SARAH BAARTMAN POSITION 1



LEARNER:	DYANI YONWABANI
SCHOOL:	KUYASA COMBINED SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Business Studies	7	96
Computer Applications Technology	6	76
English First Additional Language	7	86
Life Sciences	7	89
Life Orientation	7	86
Mathematical Literacy	7	85
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Yonwabani Dyani and I come from a small family consisting of my mother, my 3 siblings and me. I am the eldest child. Being the firstborn in the family meant I had to take care of my siblings and their overall well-being. My mother is unemployed and is barely coping with her responsibility, and this frustrates her. We are being cared for by our other family relatives. I now live with my grandmother from my maternal side which means we are dependent on social grant for a living.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Apart from being inspired by so many students who have made their marks in academics by becoming top achievers, my strongest source of inspiration is my home situation. Being born into a struggling family pushed me to work hard and get to where my mother never got the chance to get to.

FUTURE PLANS

I am planning to study law with hopes of becoming a judge one day. The reason that I want to pursue law as a career field, it is because of so many challenges that I have seen faced by women in my community such as GBV. I want to return women's dignity in the whole of society and to fight for their rights. I also want to run a foundation that supports vulnerable women, children and the physically challenged people in many aspects of their life.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 LEARNERS OF 2025

My advice to the Grade 12 learners of 2025 is that they must not back down, let their home situations and many challenges they face to pull them down. They must not settle for being average and must aim high all the time. Anyone can do Grade 12 but it takes a determined, focused and resilient person to pass Grade 12. Do it with your all and work to the best of your ability and even more. Just like my school motto says: **THE SKY IS THE LIMIT!**



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2024 TOP 3 LEARNERS FROM HDI

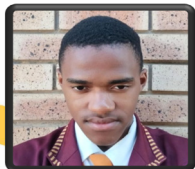


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TOP HDI PROVINCE POSITION 3



LEARNER:	MPENDULO LUYOLO LUTHO
SCHOOL:	ZIMELE HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	99
English First Additional Language	7	87
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	93
Mathematics	7	94
Physical Sciences	7	98
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	85

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Lutho Luyolo Mpendulo. All I can say is, my grandmother is my family. Her support and sacrifices allowed me to be here today. I can't say much except for my gratitude to her and the rest of the family that have been with me. They have supported and motivated me over the years and especially more in my grade 12 year.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I am driven by the infinite potential of creation, forged through knowledge and skill. The sublime, unfathomable forces of nature haunt and inspire me, compelling me to shape a better world.

FUTURE PLANS

I see immense potential in the artificial sciences. I will pursue a BSc in Computer Science, specialising in Artificial Intelligence, at the University of Cape Town. Driven by the crisis of human survival, I aim to create intelligent systems that safeguard life. My goal is to become an AI scientist, designing technologies that thrive in an uncertain world.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Invest your time wisely; success depends on how well you build understanding. Push your limits early and focus on deep knowledge - it will carry you further than shortcuts or cramming. Over-studying without comprehension is a costly mistake if you've neglected hard work throughout the year.

TOP HDI PROVINCE POSITION 2



LEARNER:	HALUTUSHE BOMI
SCHOOL:	A D TSHAYINGCA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	100
English First Additional Language	7	88
Life Sciences	7	99
Life Orientation	7	91
Mathematics	7	92
Physical Sciences	7	97
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

Halutushe Bomi comes from a small humble family of five and was raised by a single mother. My mother's name is Fundiswa. I was born in a small village called Ntsingizi near Bizana.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

The source of my inspiration has always been my family. They have inspired me to be a kind compassionate and hardworking person. The drive to also overcome the generational curse that has been in my family of being uneducated.

FUTURE PLANS

I plan to stay true to myself and continue to push hard to achieve my dreams and goals. I want to study medicine because it has been my dream to become a doctor.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Push through even in hard times as it is hard sometimes. Believe in yourself even through it may seem impossible as nothing is impossible. Life begins here so make the best out this blessed beginning, sustain yourself by always trusting in God.

TOP HDI PROVINCE POSITION 1



LEARNER:	MAGAWULANA AVIWE
SCHOOL:	COFIMVABA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	98
Business Studies	7	99
Economics	7	94
English First Additional Language	7	89
Life Orientation	7	96
Mathematics	7	90
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	92

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Aviwe Magawulana, a third born daughter out of six siblings. Growing up, I did not always have all the luxuries of life and all resources but despite all of those circumstances, my parents, Ncebakazi and Mvuleli Magawulana have always put emphasis on the importance of getting an education. And I am truly grateful for this privilege. Throughout my life, my family background has shaped who I am, my values, academic aspirations and who I am becoming.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I grew up with separated parents, which meant two different homes. My mom raised my siblings and I with limited income and resources, which played a significant role in my academic journey. My background has shaped me to become the academic achiever that I am always striving to be. My mother made sure that I never lacked anything that could contribute towards my education. Among many other factors, this inspired me to work hard and earnestly towards my academics. My younger siblings who look up to me and always believe in me, my dreams of becoming a Chartered Accountant are also my biggest inspirations. Not to forget my friends, classmates and my big sister Asakhe, who always believed in me and gave me unwavering support. All of the factors that

inspire me to become the best version of myself have also contributed to the dedication, resilience and passion I've shown towards my academics.

FUTURE PLANS

In the future, I plan to continue my academic journey and achieve excellent results. I will be furthering my studies at the University of Witwatersrand, where I will be completing my BCom in Accounting degree. I want to make a positive impact at home and in my community, becoming the first Chartered Accountant in the family.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

As a person who grew up in a Christian home, I would first and foremost advice that you put God first in everything you do. Plan ahead, and always be disciplined to carry out your plans. You should also know that it is important to get enough rest as it can help you improve your memory. Always aim high, even when no one believes you can do it or it is too unrealistic. Always take care of yourself and your mental health, because sometimes you'll feel the pressure of Grade 12 getting to you. And in those times, being mentally strong will come in handy. Having a good support system, be it at home, at school or friends makes it easier. Lastly, remember who you are and where you come from so that you don't shift your attention from your goal.



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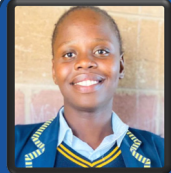



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2024 TOP LEARNER FROM INDEPENDENT SCHOOL



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TOP LEARNER INDEPENDENT SCHOOLS



LEARNER:	ADLAM ZANDER
SCHOOL:	GLOBAL LEADERSHIP ACADEMY

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	90
Afrikaans Home Language	7	91
English First Additional Language	7	86
Engineering Graphics and Design	7	100
Information Technology	7	92
Life Orientation	7	94
Mathematics	7	95
Physical Sciences	7	94

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Zander Adlam, I live with my father, mother, and older sister. I was born in Pretoria, but we moved to Jeffreys Bay in 2007 when I was just one year old. My father, formerly a Colonel in the SAPS and now a small business owner, is now retired and enjoys being a part-time musician. My mother, previously a teacher, devoted herself full-time to raising us with love and care after my sister was born. My sister is currently studying at Stellenbosch University with the goal of becoming a Chartered Accountant.

As a family, we are extremely close and grounded in values built on Biblical principles.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My family is my greatest source of inspiration, with each member contributing uniquely to the person I am today and aspire to be. My father has instilled in me the importance of hard work and has inspired me to give my best effort in all I do. His passion for music has also encouraged me to explore and develop my own musical talents. My mother, with her natural empathy and nurturing spirit, has taught me to practice love, respect, and compassion for everyone. My sister is my biggest role model. Her relentless drive and dedication to achieving success have motivated me to excel in my studies. She inspired me to apply to Stellenbosch

University and pursue the goal of becoming a Chartered Accountant.

FUTURE PLANS

I intend to study Bachelor of Accounting (BAcc) at Stellenbosch University and work towards qualifying as a Chartered Accountant. My ultimate ambition is to become a leading businessman and serve as a Chief Financial Officer (CFO). In the long term, I dream of establishing an accounting firm with my sister, aiming to create a positive and transformative impact on the financial world.

ADVICE FOR THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Grade 12 is your final opportunity to leave a lasting legacy at your school. Here are my key pieces of advice: Prioritize prayer: Prayer has helped me so much this year, because of the comfort I get from knowing the power in prayer. Participate fully: Get involved in as many social and school events as possible. Use this year to make a positive impact, especially by uplifting and inspiring younger students. Time management: Stay on top of your academic responsibilities. Complete your Practical Assessment Tasks (PATs) well before the due dates, allowing you to focus on your examinations without unnecessary stress. Prioritize rest: Take your holidays to recharge and avoid burnout. Rest is essential for maintaining your energy levels and ensuring peak performance during the term.



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TOP LEARNERS FROM SPECIAL SCHOOLS IN CLUSTERS

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TOP LEARNER: SPECIAL SCHOOLS CLUSTER A



LEARNER:	NCOBENI PHELOKAZI
SCHOOL:	EFATA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND & DEAF

Results	Level	%
Business Studies	6	72
English First Additional Language	6	72
History	6	77
Life Orientation	7	81
Mathematical Literacy	4	56
Tourism	7	85
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	80

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Phelokazi Ncobeni, I was a grade 12 learner at Efata Special School. I was born and raised in a poor family, my mom used to work as a domestic worker, life was hard and my parents were struggling to pay for our school fees, uniform and stationery but I promised myself that once I grow up I will become a pilot and change my home situation and I was doing pretty well in my studies until I reached grade 12 in 2022.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

The year 2022 brought nothing but tears in my eyes because that's the year I lost my sight, I had no choice but to drop out of the main stream school, I was so down and empty because I thought that the bright future I had hoped for, was doomed. I was diagnosed with Glaucoma a disease that changed my life, because there was nothing that could be done to bring back my sight and most of the eye nerves were already damaged. In 2023 I was admitted at Efata Special School at the end of the first term. The learning material that we used there is way too different from those from main stream schools but we wrote the same exams as them, and yes we passed with flying colors.

My matric year at Efata, was not easy. I managed to push very hard because I wanted to succeed. I am grateful to all my Grade 12 teachers, those people were not just my teachers those were my parents too. The love and the support I received from them was unconditional I swear.

FUTURE PLANS

From here the aim is to study law at the University of the Free State, be a lawyer, take care of my mom, build her a nice house and of course live the life I always wanted to live, with God I believe all that will happen

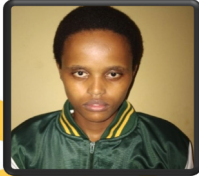
ADVICE TO CLASS OF 2025

To the class of 2025, bantase do not get anxious, believe that phrase that says 'believe you can and you're halfway there', Try by all means to stay focused. Distancing yourself from your friends and partners and all other stuff can also help, trust me I've been there

YOU CANNOT GO BACK AND CHANGE THE BEGINNING, BUT YOU CAN START WHERE YOU ARE AND CHANGE THE ENDING.



TOP LEARNER: SPECIAL SCHOOLS CLUSTER B



LEARNER:	TUNCE LISAKHANYA
SCHOOL:	KHANYISA SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND

Results	Level	%
Business Studies	6	79
Economics	5	67
English First Additional Language	6	72
History	7	83
Life Orientation	6	77
Mathematical Literacy	5	63
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	82



FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Lisakhanya Tunce, and I was born in Mthatha in the Eastern Cape province. I am the second-born child in a family of three siblings. I come from a financially struggling family that depends on a disability grant as our primary source of income. Despite our financial difficulties, my family always made sure that I never lacked the support I needed to succeed academically. My mother, who is physically disabled, has been a pillar of strength in my life. She is a prayerful woman who constantly instilled the importance of faith, prayer, and believing in God during times of struggle. Her resilience and unwavering faith taught me to remain hopeful and determined, no matter the challenges I faced.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My primary source of inspiration has always been my mother, who continuously motivated me to do better and reminded me of my capabilities. My father, who is visually impaired, also played a vital role in my success. He ensured that my school fees were always taken care of and showed me through his actions that disability does not define one's ability to achieve greatness. Additionally, my aunt was a constant source of encouragement. During her visits

to my hostel, she always reminded me to stay focused and never forget the reasons I was at school. My teacher, Ms. Singqoto, provided motivational words that kept me going, often saying, "Sacrifice only this year 2024, then all doors will be opened." Her words stayed with me and pushed me to keep striving. My principal, Mrs. Daniel, also played a significant role in my journey. She went above and beyond to ensure that we had all the resources we needed.

FUTURE PLANS

My goals include gaining admission to the University of Pretoria to pursue a Bachelor of Education (BEd) degree in Senior and Intermediate Phase teaching. I aspire to specialize in teaching History or Business Studies because I have a passion for education and helping children.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I wish you all the best as you embark on this challenging but rewarding journey. It will not be easy there will be sleepless nights and moments of fatigue—but it is all doable. The key to success is consistency and discipline. Avoid procrastination, as it can easily derail your progress. Equally important is balancing studying and resting to maintain your mental and physical well-being.



PREMIER'S AWARDS

TOP LEARNER FROM DISTRICTS



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TOP LEARNER: ALFRED NZO EAST



LEARNER:	ZULU NKOSINATHI
SCHOOL:	A D TSHAYINGCA SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	96
English First Additional Language	7	84
Life Sciences	7	95
Life Orientation	7	83
Mathematics	7	89
Physical Sciences	7	97
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

Zulu Nkosinathi comes from a vibrant and closely bonded family. I am from the rural areas of Mbizana, a place known as KwaNikhwe village

My family is very warm and supportive, giving me all the resources that they could afford.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I acquired great inspiration from my family. My Family is well educated, they love and promote education, growing surrounded by siblings and cousin who are educated really inspired me to learn and focus on my education.

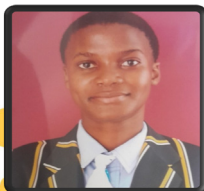
FUTURE PLANS

My goal is to become a qualified Surgeon. I want to open my own practice in the future where I can offer the best medical treatment to the people of my community.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would advice every Grade 12 learner to focus on their academic activities and learn time management skills.

TOP LEARNER: ALFRED NZO WEST



LEARNER:	MAKUBALO LOLWETHU
SCHOOL:	MARIAZELL SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	80
Geography	7	90
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	83
Mathematics	7	98
Physical Sciences	7	97
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	82

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MY FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Lolwethu Makubalo, born in 2007 at Caba Village situated in Matatiele in the Eastern Cape Province. I come from a family of six where education has always been prioritized. Though my parents are modestly educated, they have instilled the value of hard work and determination in us as their children, including all our cousins who were raised by them. Even if there were financial challenges, they made sure that I had access to resources and opportunities to excel in my studies. Their strong support and encouragement motivated me to become one of the top achievers in my matric year.

MY INSPIRATION

My parents are my greatest inspiration, their sacrifices and unwavering belief in my potential encouraged me to work hard for excellence. I was also deeply inspired by my Natural Sciences teacher, who pushed us to achieve beyond limits. He encouraged us to be competitive in all subjects. Lastly, heroes like Nelson Mandela motivated me to remain resilient in the face of challenges and work towards meaningful change in my community.

MY FUTURE PLANS

My current goal is to pursue a degree in Medicine at the University of Pretoria, driven by my passion for healthcare and

helping others. I aspire to become a skilled and compassionate medical professional, specialising in surgery to address critical health challenges. In the long term, I aim to contribute in improving healthcare accessibility in underprivileged communities in South Africa, ensuring that everyone, regardless of their circumstances, has access to quality medical care.

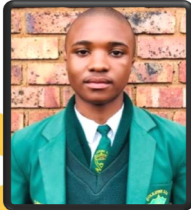
MY ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

To the class of 2025, congratulations on this important milestone in your academic journey. Matric is both challenging and rewarding, and how you approach it will shape your future. Here are few pieces of advice that I hope will guide you:

- 1) Set clear and achievable goals
- 2) Manage your time
- 3) Prepare earlier
- 4) Ask for help
- 5) Stay consistent
- 6) Take care of your mental health
- 7) Dream big and work hard
- 8) Share knowledge with others

As you step in to this year, know that your hard work will pay off. Stay focused, keep pushing forward, and never lose sight of your dreams. The future is yours to shape!

TOP LEARNER: AMATHOLE EAST



LEARNER:	SIBIDLA SIYOLISE
SCHOOL:	XOLILIZWE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	94
English First Additional Language	7	85
Life Sciences	7	95
Life Orientation	7	96
Mathematics	7	94
Physical Sciences	7	92
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Siyolise Sibidla, an 18 year old boy from Qoboqobo, a village in Centane. I did my matric in 2024 at Xolilizwe Senior Secondary School which is situated in Nqadu, a village in Willowvale.

I am from a loving, warm and supportive family. Everyone makes sure that I am motivated and they always try to make me comfortable whilst studying.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

During my matric journey, my teachers and the school's management team played a major role in motivating me to excel. The hard work and dedication of the teachers, as well as the extra hours of learning organised by the teachers and school management team helped me in understanding all the concepts taught to me. I also pushed myself to excel as I knew that by doing so, I would be able to secure a bursary for

University fees. The healthy competition I had with my classmates also pushed me to work harder to be one of the best as I am a very competitive person, I would even get disappointed if I did not appear in the class's top 5 in tests we wrote

FUTURE PLANS

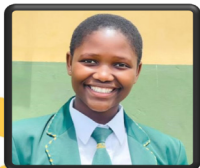
I want to pursue my studies at University because I believe that getting a qualification puts you at an advantage to get employment and thus being able to provide for my family.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

I would encourage the matriculants of 2025 to get serious about their studies from the onset, and keep this momentum throughout the year. Not only will this build confidence within themselves, but it will also help them secure funding for their tertiary education.



TOP LEARNER: AMATHOLE WEST



LEARNER:	MAMANI INENCEBA
SCHOOL:	AMAZI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	92
Business Studies	7	100
Economics	7	88
English First Additional Language	6	74
Life Orientation	7	96
Mathematics	7	88
isiXhosa Home Language	7	85



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I, Inenceba Mamani a third born out of five children, grew up in a family that I would not call rich or poor, but all of my needs were provided for. I am from Mgababa Location, a small village located in Peddie. My parents never had stable jobs, but they always put something on the table. Through livestock my father obtains his income while my mother works in a small food container where she sells fast food. This has pushed me to study harder so that I can obtain my degree and bring light and a stable income to this household. I believe education will be the key for me to change my family's situation, as they always say that "Education is the key to success".

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I do not want my disadvantaged background to determine who I am. I always work harder so that I can be more than where I come from. Changing my situation has always been my inspiration. "Inenceba", which simply means "The Lord has mercy" is not just a name, but proof that my parents knew that the Lord would have mercy on their lives. Secondly some of my family members are well known because of their professions so they inspire me because I felt like I

have to withhold the legacy. Lastly, my siblings, always believed in me.

FUTURE PLANS

I believe that success is something that you work hard to achieve. Firstly, I desperately want to be a Chartered Accountant. I am looking forward to studying Accounting Science as a first step forward to begin my Accountancy journey. I want to be a businesswoman who will in turn plough back to the community because I believe success is not only for me. I also want to travel around the world and enjoy life with my family and friends

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Firstly, hard work always pays off, Grade 12 is all about sacrifices; you sacrifice your time with your family and friends to have more time to study. Commitment and dedication are keys to passing with flying colours. "The best preparation for tomorrow is doing your best today", Share information to get more information, do what works for you best but I always recommend study groups because in groups you all have different perspectives to work problems out. Believe in your self and pray .GOOD LUCK

TOP LEARNER: BUFFALO CITY



LEARNER:	KNOTT DEMI SHEILA
SCHOOL:	CLARENDON GIRLS HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	97
Afrikaans First Additional Language	7	89
English Home Language	7	88
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	93
Mathematics	7	95
Physical Sciences	7	95

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Demi Shiela Knott, the eldest of 3 children. My sister, Cara, is going into matric and brother, Richard, is going into grade 10. My parents are from farming backgrounds. I have lived in East London my whole life and I attended Clarendon from grade R to 12.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My inspiration truly comes from God. He is the one who gives me the strength, will and self-discipline to keep working and doing my best. I am inspired to do everything I do to glorify Him. I am also inspired by the privilege it is to receive an education. I am inspired by my parents who give of their best in all they do and are very supportive.

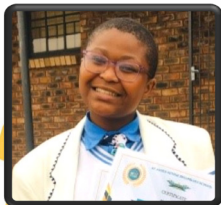
FUTURE PLANS

I plan to study Bachelor of Accounting at Stellenbosch University and become a Chartered Accountant. I then hope to travel the world. I plan to continue playing hockey and running as I enjoy my sport.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Take your matric year one day at a time. Keep your notes up to date, manage your time well and be organised. It is good to have a balanced life by keeping fit, having a healthy diet and getting enough sleep.

TOP LEARNER: CHRIS HANI EAST



LEARNER:	MANYANGE MIHLEMIHLE
SCHOOL:	ST JAMES SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	86
Geography	7	92
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	6	79
Mathematics	7	94
Physical Sciences	7	91
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Muhl'emihle Manyange a 18 years old, born and raised in Lower Wodehouse Cofimvaba. I come from a long line of girls who were raised by single mothers, my grandmother, my mother and my aunts with the help of my uncle Lonwabo Manyange. Our family income comes from all of them.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My inspiration comes from my grandmother who is a teacher. She has always instilled in me the importance of education. My mother who has shown me through her actions the importance of hard work, perseverance and prayer.

FUTURE PLANS

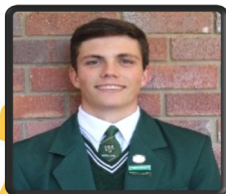
I plan to study medicine in one of South Africa's top universities and specialise in a field of choice. My ultimate goal is to run a private medical practice in my hometown as a way of giving back to my community.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025:

I vividly remember being in your shoes not too long ago. It not a journey to walk alone, support each other and work with one another. Utilise all the resources that are in front of you. Consult your educators for anything you need clarity at. Lastly, make sure to overcome every obstacle with prayer. It is never too late to do the right thing.



TOP LEARNER: CHRIS HANI WEST



LEARNER:	COETZER CASPER JOHANNES
SCHOOL:	MARLOW AGRICULTURAL HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	96
Afrikaans Home Language	7	87
English First Additional Language	7	84
Life Sciences	7	93
Life Orientation	7	80
Mathematics	7	89
Physical Sciences	7	93

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am **Casper Coetzer** who was born on the 10th of March 2006 in Pretoria as the third child of Faan and Sanet Coetzer. We moved from Pretoria to a farm near Hofmeyr in the Eastern Cape in 2011. My father still has a business in Pretoria called “Tidy World Trading”. I have older twin siblings, Anje and Nicholas. Anje is a physiotherapist in George and Nicholas is an architect in Mossel Bay. My parents both studied at The University of Pretoria. My father has a B.Com (Internal auditing) degree and my mother a B.Cur degree in nursing. My mother also has her own business called “Karoovrou” that sells homemade Jalapeno products.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My biggest inspirations are my parents and siblings who are all very hardworking individuals. My whole life they have inspired me to do my absolute best in everything I do. They taught me to never give up no matter how difficult something may be.

FUTURE PLANS

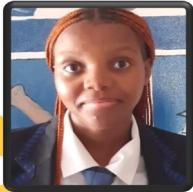
I am going to study **Metallurgical Engineering at The University of Pretoria in 2025**. After I have obtained my degree, I would also like to complete my post graduate studies and a Master of Business Administration (MBA).

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

My advice to the matric class of 2025 will be to work consistently throughout the year, don't work only when it is exam time. Make sure you understand the work you do in class and never be afraid to ask simple questions. Make sure to go through the work you did in class at home every day. This will make studying for your exams much easier. A study tip will be to work through as many previous exam papers as you possibly can.



TOP LEARNER: JOE GQABI



LEARNER:	MPELA NOMBUZO ASENATHI
SCHOOL:	EGQILI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	99
English First Additional Language	7	84
Life Sciences	7	98
Life Orientation	7	80
Mathematics	7	91
Physical Sciences	7	91
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Mpela Nombuzo Asenathi Thandeka. My journey took a fortunate turn from as little as the age of 5 months where I was raised by my two loving extended grandparents who took me into their humble and loving home. From my parents I have four siblings. Throughout all the hardships my extended grandparents are pensioners. I have received nothing less but love and care.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

It stems from my academic journey. Throughout school, I consistently achieved good grades, which opened doors to numerous opportunities. I was often selected to represent my school in various events and programs, further fueling my motivation. I realized that excelling academically would not only bring me recognition but also provide me a smoother path forward filled with possibilities and fewer hardships. This understanding sparked a drive within me to continue striving for excellence. However, my greatest motivation comes from my family. Their unwavering support, guidance and selfless dedication

have been a constant source of inspiration for me. Especially my mother witnessing her hard work and perseverance has taught me the value of resilience and the importance of pursuing my goals with passion and commitment.

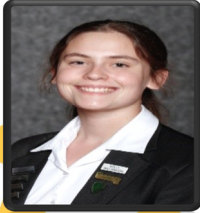
ADVISE TO 2025 MATRIC CLASS

Congratulations to the 2025 matric class on reaching this significant milestone. The achievement is a testament to your hard work, dedication and perseverance. As someone who has walked in your shoes, I'd like to share two key pieces of advice. Firstly, master the art of time management. Make a schedule and stick to it, ensuring that you allocate sufficient time for studying, practicing question papers, and revising material. Secondly, surround yourself with a support system. Matric can be a challenging journey both physically and mentally. Having people who believe in you, encourage you, and provide guidance when needed will make significant difference.

Remember to stay focused, work hard and believe in yourself.



TOP LEARNER: NELSON MANDELA



LEARNER:	WILLIAMSON KELLY LOUISE
SCHOOL:	PEARSON HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	93
Afrikaans First Additional Language	7	89
English Home Language	7	85
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	7	88
Mathematics	7	93
Physical Sciences	7	96



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FAMILY BACKGROUND:

I was born and raised in Port Elizabeth. I live with my family, my mom, dad and older brother, my parents both grew up in PE, and have most of my extended family living here too. My parents work in the fire protection industry which is a family business, and my brother is currently studying drafting and design.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION:

My grandfather, being a Paediatrician, was my inspiration to pursue medicine, and thus work hard at school, in order to achieve acceptance into medical school one day.

FUTURE PLANS:

I've been provisionally accepted to study Medicine at the University of Stellenbosch this year and am hopeful and excited for this next chapter in my life.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025:

Stay consistent in your studies throughout the year, as it is a quick one, and always apply yourself even for small tests/ tasks. But also remember to take the year in your stride and make time for the things you enjoy!



TOP LEARNER: OR TAMBO COASTAL



LEARNER:	MAFIKWANA ATHULE
SCHOOL:	TOLI SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	84
Geography	7	93
Life Sciences	7	100
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	92
Physical Sciences	7	93
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	87



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

Athule Mafikwana is a 17-year-old boy, born and bred in the rural areas of Lusikisiki. I am a 9th child out of 10 siblings and both my parents are unemployed, as a result we are dependent on social grants.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Learners who studied at Toli SSS before me inspired me a tremendously especially those who were top achievers recognised by the province and nationally. My brother by the name of Mongi Mafikwana who is also in the field of medicine motivated me a lot and inspired me to be a medical doctor like him. Lastly, educators from Toli SSS have inspired me in many ways throughout the year offering academic and life essentials advice. I was also motivated by various pastors who prayed for us as it is

the culture and motto of our school to “Pray, Work hard and Excel”

FUTURE PLANS

I would like to be a medical doctor, a specialist /cardiologist in particular.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would like to say that everything is possible when you believe and work for it. Pay careful attention to time, use every moment wisely because time wasted will never be regained. Every moment counts and when you study, study like you are studying for the final exams. Take every lesson and assessment seriously, every small detail counts. Having a vision which you work towards to because that will keep you going and will keep the momentum.



TOP LEARNER: OR TAMBO INLAND



LEARNER:	MDITSHWA IBRAHIM LUKHOLO
SCHOOL:	TSOLO HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	97
Business Studies	7	95
Economics	7	100
English First Additional Language	7	89
Life Orientation	7	97
Mathematics	7	83
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86



FAMILY BACKGROUND

I, Ibrahim Mditshwa, come from a long history of kings as the surname suggests. Although some people may think that gives me royalty privileges, that could not be further from the truth. My grandfather, Mvuyisi Mditshwa, married Buyiswa Dazana and had a few children. The second child was my mother, Nomsa Mditshwa, who met with my father, Braimah Musah and had three children.

I grew up in Highbury Extension where I was raised by my single mother, regardless of my father being present from time to time. Growing up was a bit difficult because my mother changed jobs frequently, meaning there was no stable source of income. My ensured her children would never go to sleep on an empty stomach. She also made sure that we got some form of education, even if it was not the best.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Let me get it out of the way quickly, nothing motivates me more than the dream of having a lot of money. That is a fact, but my real inspiration lies below what

makes me want money. I am inspired by the fear of being needy. I want to ensure that my family never "need" anything.

FUTURE PLANS

I plan on studying at the University of Witwatersrand or the University of Pretoria, where I will be doing a Bachelor's degree in Accounting Sciences. The goal is to become a chartered accountant. The final plan is to make sure that I own a few businesses to achieve the goal of becoming financially comfortable.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Life in grade 12 is fun as it is also stressful. This is the year where you get to spend most of your time in the presence of your friends as you will be spending more time at school. Be that as it may, I would advise you to watch out, friends can hold you back but you should try as much as possible to share information. Listen to your teachers, they have all the information you need to succeed in this difficult year. Good luck to the class of 2025.



TOP LEARNER: SARAH BAARTMAN



LEARNER:	JACK KENAN LONWABO
SCHOOL:	AEROVILLE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	96
Afrikaans Home Language	6	79
Business Studies	7	94
Economics	7	99
English First Additional Language	7	80
Life Orientation	7	82
Mathematics	7	90



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Kenan Lonwabo Elvitho Jack, I grew up in a small town called Pearston. Throughout my life I only had my grandmother. My mother, and her five sisters, had to leave home for Port Elizabeth, looking for jobs. In my household, there had only been me, my grandmother and two other cousins, who both left school at an early phase, that being primary school. We were all dependent on a government grant, including my grandmother. As we lived our lives, we experienced financial difficulties, but luckily the school that I attended, Aeroville Secondary School, did not require fees. The majority of my family resides in Port Elizabeth, except for us.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I am inspired by a lot of things and a lot of people. My educators and fellow learners were the ones who inspired me a lot. Their way of support and motivation, is what drove me to my full potential. Whenever I stepped on stage to receive an award, whether for academics or culture, they would cheer me on. The other thing that inspired me a lot, is the example set by previous top achievers. Seeing them get awarded,

provincially and nationally, for seven or even nine distinctions, is absolutely brilliant. That inspired me to become such a student.

FUTURE PLANS

I love Mathematics and Economics. I developed it throughout my high school career, as that had been the subjects in which I excelled exceptionally. Thus, I have decided to embark on a career choice, majoring in Mathematics and Economics. I will pursue an undergraduate commercial degree in Actuarial Sciences at Stellenbosch University. Thereafter I will complete an honors degree in Actuarial Sciences.

ADVICE TO THE CLASS OF 2025

Grade 12 itself is stressful. Previous matriculants will make you believe that grade 12 is easy, which is true. It is true only depending on how you as a matriculant, will take on the year. It is a very short year, and it will be the fastest year of your life. All you need to be is responsible, because you only get one fair chance. Sacrifices play a major role. You should sacrifice all your nice time for your studies. Be organised, as it will help you a lot. Do not allow the amount of workload to make you panic. Just tell yourself: **I GOT THIS!**



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TOP HDI LEARNER: CLUSTER A POSITION 3



LEARNER:	DLUNGWANA KUNGAWO
SCHOOL:	JOJO SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	6	77
Geography	7	95
Life Sciences	7	99
Life Orientation	7	99
Mathematics	7	98
Physical Sciences	7	98
Tourism	7	92
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	84

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Dlungwana Kungawo, raised by a single parent, who struggles to make ends meet. I live with my mother and my three siblings. My mother does not have a permanent job and that makes things difficult for the entire family.

SOURCES OF INSPIRATION

In my family, there are very few graduates which gave me courage to become one of them so that this can be a culture in my family and a legacy from generation to generation. Another thing that inspired me is a TV show hosted by Dr Ali who has an Autism disease and was not allowed to continue working in that field but never gave up, meaning that I have learned that no matter what obstacle is there on my way, you can push and become a success.

FUTURE PLANS

My future plan is to become the best surgeon as inspired by Dr Ali. I am planning

to further my studies and have my dream career. I want to improve the situation back at home and do my job courageously so that others can be inspired by me. If things can be better at home, it means the entire family will be better off, which can cause the community to improve and that can have a positive impact to the country at large.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

My advice to the class of 2025 is that you need to know who you are, why you are at school, what you want in life, where you come from and your destination. Have a vision board with your goals. Stick to your goals, Habakkuk 2:2-3 "Write the vision, and make it plain upon tablets, that he may run that readeth it. For the vision is yet for an appointed time, but at the end it shall speak, and not lie, through it tarry, wait for it because it will surely come, it will not tarry". Respect the teachers, read your books and be flexible.

TOP HDI LEARNER: CLUSTER A POSITION 2



LEARNER:	FETILE SIBAHLE
SCHOOL:	NCUNCUZO SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	85
Geography	7	99
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	95
Physical Sciences	7	94
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	86

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I'm Sibahle Fetile, a 19-year-old from Mncuncuzo village in Cofimvaba, Eastern Cape. I've faced immense challenges from a young age, having lost my parents. Despite this, I've been fortunate to have a supportive family - my grandparents, aunts, uncles, and siblings - who have taken me under their wing.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My passion for science and engineering drives me. Additionally, my family's unwavering support and encouragement have been a significant source of inspiration. Their love and guidance have helped me stay motivated, even in the toughest times. Notably, I was an ambassador for Metrics in Antarctica and won a gold medal at the Eskom Expo in 2023.

FUTURE PLANS

I plan to pursue mechatronics engineering at the University of Cape Town (UCT), where I hope to further develop my skills and knowledge.

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

As I reflect on my experiences, I would advise you to stay focused, believe in yourselves, seek help when needed, stay organized, and prioritize your physical and mental health. By doing so, you'll be well-equipped to overcome obstacles and achieve your goals. Remember to learn from your mistakes, be resilient, and never give up on your dreams!



TOP HDI LEARNER: CLUSTER A POSITION 1



LEARNER:	NYOMBOLO WONGA
SCHOOL:	ST JOHNS COLLEGE

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	97
English First Additional Language	7	84
Life Sciences	7	98
Life Orientation	7	83
Mathematics	7	99
Physical Sciences	7	95
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	85



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Wongalethu Nyombolo, I am the last-born son to a single mother of three. My mother works as a professional nurse at Nelson Mandela Academic Hospital in Mthatha. I have a brother who is ten years older than me and a sister who is nine years older. My brother lives in Johannesburg where he is pursuing a career in Information Technology and my sister lives in Cape Town where she is pursuing a CA(SA) career.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Growing up, my sister would often bring awards that she received from school for being a top achiever in one subject or another and seeing her achieve all of those to get those shiny new trophies made me want one of my own too.

My mom always told me that I could achieve all the goals I set from myself, I just needed to set them and ensure I follow up on them.

Words of encouragement from my teachers, schoolmates and relatives had a great impact in inspiring me to be the best I could be. I would say

that my source of inspiration is the love, support and encouragement of the community around me.

FUTURE PLANS

I intend to further my studies at the University of Witwatersrand in Gauteng. I hope to be accepted as learner into their Actuarial sciences course. Of Course, when there I hope to make the Dean's list as well as receive an invitation to the Golden Key members award.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would like to start by congratulating all the learners who have made it to Grade 12. Grade 12 is a really demanding grade because on top of the school hours you were used to, more will be added in the form of season school, exhausting I know but it is all for your own benefit, so meet everything that comes your way with a positive attitude and you will surely reach your goals. Setting your goals with the use of a vision board is a great deal of help.



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TOP HDI LEARNER: CLUSTER B POSITION 3



LEARNER:	JONGINAMBA UYATHANDWA
SCHOOL:	BHISHO HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	86
Geography	7	100
Life Sciences	7	94
Life Orientation	7	94
Mathematics	7	95
Physical Sciences	7	88
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	89

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Uyathandwa Jonginamba, I come from Bisho, Lolo Park. I am very religious pupil that is the Seventh day Adventist Church member. I come from a very hard-working family of seven, including my single mother, grandparents, uncle and my twin aunts. I have a very supportive father along with his family. My mother is an unemployed lady that works very hard to ensure that I get the best education, and I can reach my fullest potential in life. We believe that God is the one that has guided us to succeed.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I was inspired by seeing other top achievers in the social media platform known as YouTube. The best influencers that also inspired me are Dr Andy, Dr Mdizo and Pree_Princess who shared her story from being a failure to a top achiever. My teachers were always there for me and believed in me. Also, my determination and eagerness to reach my full potential also inspired me.

FUTURE PLANS

My future plans are to pursue my further education at University of Witwatersrand and study Bachelor Degree of Medicine and Surgery and further specialise in Cardiology.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

The only thing I can say is that everything is possible through God and hard work. Always knowing your end goal at the beginning. Remember a wise man once said "Success comes to those who become success CONSCIOUS.



TOP HDI LEARNER: CLUSTER B POSITION 2



LEARNER:	TSHATSHU LIKHONA
SCHOOL:	HECTOR PETERSON HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	93
English First Additional Language	7	88
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	7	93
Mathematics	7	99
Physical Sciences	7	91
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	91



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BACKGROUND

I am Likhona Tshatshul was born on the 11th of May 2006 at Tshatshu Village close to Zwelitsha, where I was raised by my grandmother. I attended the Seventh Day Adventist Primary in Ginsberg and later went to Hector Peterson High School in Zwelitsha in the year 2020.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

Coming from humble beginnings in the dusty streets of Tshatshu Village, I did not allow my background to ever deter me from studying and achieving my utmost best. Ever since I enrolled at Hector Peterson High school, I have been receiving outstanding academic excellence awards for Physics, Mathematics and Accounting, amongst others. In 2024, I was the top learner of the school with the average of 92%. I wear my academic white blazer with pride as I have worked hard for it. I took the opportunity to dedicate and commit myself to learning and upskilling my knowledge so that I become a better person as I believe that education

to us means service to our community. As former president Thabo Mbeki once said, "I am an African, I owe my being to the hills and the valleys, the mountains and the glades, the rivers, the deserts, the trees and the flowers." which I personally subscribe to.

FUTURE PLANS

My aspiration is to become a medical doctor to plough back to my community to revive its dysfunctional healthcare system.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

For the class of 2025, this crucial year marks a defining phase in your journey, where your grit, determination, and hard work will shape your success. As you embark on this memorable final year, remember that every challenge is a chance to grow, and every milestone a stepping stone towards your dreams. Believe in yourself, cultivate positivity, and celebrate your triumphs, knowing that the world awaits your impact.

TOP HDI LEARNER: CLUSTER B POSITION 1



LEARNER:	JONAS OMPHILE
SCHOOL:	LUMKO HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	86
Geography	7	100
Life Sciences	7	100
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	94
Physical Sciences	7	92
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88

FAMILY BACKGROUND

My name is Omphile Jonas, born in Butterworth to teenage parents and thus had to be raised by my maternal grandmother for the first half of my life since my mother was furthering her academic career. I went to Good Shepard Catholic Primary school where I was greatly influenced to be obedient and disciplined because good enough was never good enough. I then moved to East London for high school to live with my mother and brother. I then chose Lumko high school which was the best option at the time as it is a no fee school in my area and depend on social grant money.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

These are the few programmes I have been privileged to take part in, which inspired me to strive to be the best namely:

- Engen school for Maths & Science
- Kutlwanong Pro-maths Centre for Maths, Science & Technology

- Prestigious Future Global Leaders (FGL) club which further motivated me to stay grounded and keep my academics up to standard.

They have all fueled my sense of ambition.

FUTURE PLANS

To pursue a Bachelors' Degree in Chemical Engineering at any high ranking university (Stellenbosch).

ADVICE TO GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To the future matriculants, I would like to share with you the quote that got me through academic pressure, "take care of the minutes and the hours will take care of themselves" try to take it easy even when its not easy and try as much as you can to network with fellow matriculants to make the experience more bearable. Go on and soar, you've got this.



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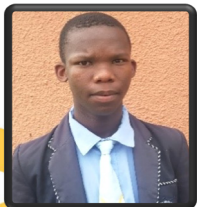
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TOP LEARNER CLUSTER A POSITION 2



LEARNER:	SITSHEKE KWAZI
SCHOOL:	TUTOR NDAMASE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	89
Geography	7	97
Life Sciences	7	99
Life Orientation	7	93
Mathematics	7	97
Physical Sciences	7	99
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	83

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Sitsheke Kwazi a young man from the rural village of Dininkosi in Libode, living with my mother, uncle and three cousins. Growing up in a single-parent household, I learned the importance of resilience and self-reliance. We are a family that is not financially blessed, but my mother works hard to make ends meet. We are a family that believes in GOD and my mother emphasized the value of hard work and education which has significantly influenced me throughout my high school years.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My source of inspiration is my mother who has always supported my pursuit of excellence. She has supported me from my early years of schooling until now. She has taught me the importance of setting goals and the ability to push myself to achieve

those goals. I am grateful for this source of motivation as at times my motivation takes a downturn, and I need her to recuperate. I exhibit her traits as I'm also an optimistic and a motivated person.

FUTURE PLANS

I wish to pursue a career in science, not limiting my expertise to any particular field of study, although I have applied for Medicine and Aviation.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

I would like to advise all matriculates to study like their life depends on it and remember to always get back-up after a fall. There is nothing impossible with hard work, resilience and dedication.

TOP LEARNER CLUSTER A POSITION 1



LEARNER:	MPETUKANA MANDILAKHE
SCHOOL:	HOLY CROSS SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	90
Geography	7	99
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	91
Mathematics	7	94
Physical Sciences	7	97
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	90

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am a young man maturing in a small family that comprises of five individuals which are my Mother, two siblings, my Aunt and I. We are rooted in deep rural areas of Mqanduli and we are currently living in Mthatha for work and school errands. My mother is currently employed at a local construction company, my siblings are learners at a local primary school.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My mother has always been my number one supporter in all aspects of my life. She always motivated me to utilize the opportunity of being part of Holy Cross high community for better education which is an opportunity that she missed. Being part of Holy Cross high was an inspiration on its own as they have been represented by learners for provincial awards yearly. My high school teachers gave their all in grooming and instilling the I can do it spirit in me.

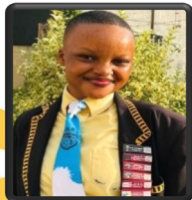
MY FUTURE PLANS

I want to pursue a career in Medicine at the University of Cape Town. On the list of my future moves, is supporting and being part of upliftment programs.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

The master key when it comes to opening good grades in the final lap under DBE is **SACRIFICE**. It is always a hard move but it is worth it. The truth is that in grade 12 every second counts, therefore one needs to be time conscious by all means. They have to dedicate their evening time, some of the night hours, morning hours and work hand in hand with their subject teachers in order for them to reap good results at the end. They should keep in mind that missing a single minute in any class of any subject can cost an individual 2 marks in the final examination.

TOP LEARNER CLUSTER A POSITION 1



LEARNER:	GARANE SINOBOMI LIWONGA
SCHOOL:	LANGA SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
English First Additional Language	7	92
Geography	7	98
Life Sciences	7	100
Life Orientation	7	90
Mathematics	7	93
Physical Sciences	7	95
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88

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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Sinobomi Liwonga Garane born in Sigubudwini, Flagstaff to parents Andiswa and Mthokozisi Garane. I am their second child and have three siblings. My mother is a teacher at Sigcau Special School and my father is currently unemployed. My family faced great hardship when my father lost his job at Ingquza Hill Municipality in March 2022. We had to adapt to being a single income household.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I find inspiration in everything around me, be it the drive and determination ordinary South Africans have to thrive in life. The way my mother works hard to meet my family's needs, seeing other people from similar situations as mine make it in life. Everything motivates me to do well in school and strives to realize my dreams.

FUTURE PLANS

I have applied for MBChB and received provisional acceptance from UCT. I plan to further my medical studies after completing this program and ultimately become a neurosurgeon. My hope is to inspire other

children from my hometown and humble beginnings so they see that they can also succeed and that they are allowed to dream beyond their dirt roads.

ADVICE FOR GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

To the 2025 matriculants, time is of the essence in matric. You have probably seen the memes on social media of how you should have started studying for finals in Grade R, while they are funny you should take away the fact that you must prepare early. I had already finished the entire syllabus by June and focused on doing past papers to familiarize myself with the way examiners ask questions. Finishing early also gives you time to revisit areas which you may be struggling with. As a grade 12 learner you must be willing to make sacrifices in order to focus on your schoolwork. Any distraction in your life should be removed as soon as possible. Matric is a wonderful year and you should spend it with people who have similar goals to you but also make you happy. Lastly, do not be afraid to ask your teachers for advice or help, they are there for you to succeed and will make your matric journey easier.

TOP LEARNER CLUSTER B POSITION 3



LEARNER:	COETZEE JOHANNES CORNELIS
SCHOOL:	GREY BOYS HIGH

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	95
Afrikaans First Additional Language	7	96
English Home Language	7	82
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	92
Mathematics	7	95
Physical Sciences	7	94

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Johan Coetzee. Through God's grace, I have grown up within a wonderful family environment. I am very close to both my parents; my father, Johan Coetzee and my mother, Etreshia Coetzee. I am so appreciative of the sacrifices they make every day. I have 2 siblings whom I love very much; I am the eldest brother and strive to be an example to my wonderful siblings. I also have a close relationship with my extended family, and they have certainly played a positive role in my development. I truly am a 'family man' and value the special relationships that I have cultivated with them through the years.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

In everything I do, I strive to do it to the best of my ability; I strive to be the best possible version of myself and reach my potential. I want to be able to look back at my endeavors and be proud of the effort I put in. My motivation is not all intrinsic though; I have always wanted to become a surgeon and to be able to do so, have had to work hard for the opportunity to attend medical school. My parents are both medical

doctors and have had such a profound impact in the communities where we live, not only through practicing medicine but simply by being wonderful people.

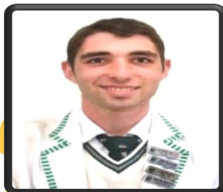
FUTURE PLANS

I aspire to become a doctor in the future. I will be studying medicine at Stellenbosch University and am so grateful for the opportunity. I am so excited to take on this next chapter of my life. I am so lucky to be entering a field of study that I am passionate about. I also hope to build a future where health and fulfillment in all aspects of life is a top priority.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

The best advice I can give to the class of 2025 is to cherish and appreciate every moment, the year really flies by. Make the best possible use of the endless opportunities and resources on offer during the year. We have wonderful schools and teachers who want to see each and every pupil succeed; make the most of this. Most importantly, do what makes you happy!

TOP LEARNER CLUSTER B POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MEYER TIAAN
SCHOOL:	BRANDWAG HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Afrikaans Home Language	7	91
Computer Applications Technology	7	97
English First Additional Language	7	93
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	7	94
Mathematics	7	90
Physical Sciences	7	94

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Meyer Tiaan. We are a very tightly-knit family. I am the eldest of three brothers. I was born and raised in the Garden Town, Kariega. My mother, Bianca, is a pharmacist and my father, Jacques, an attorney. Our family believes in humility, hard work, dedication and selflessness. My parents have also taught me that it is much more valuable when a gift is given than received.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

There are many people who motivated and inspired me throughout the year - to never give up on my dreams and stay committed despite the seemingly insurmountable challenges. Firstly, I am extremely grateful for my father, who always guided me to never miss the bigger picture. My mother, also, always treated me with endless cups of coffee and hugs when I needed it the most. The teachers at my alma mater, Brandwag High School, never stopped believing in me and always went the extra mile, be it extra classes after school or encouraging words. Lastly, my greatest inspiration. Not only for this year, but for my entire life, I am inspired and extremely thankful for the Lord, who made my hand steady before my final exams, gave

me hope when I was feeling lost and carried me through the challenging times I had to face.

FUTURE PLANS

I have been fortunate enough to have been provisionally accepted to study Medicine at Stellenbosch University this year, which has been a life-long dream. Becoming a doctor will allow me to fulfil my greatest dream, which is to help the lives of countless people in a way that is personal, meaningful and will greatly impact their lives in a positive manner. It is also a wonderful opportunity to give back to the community that has supported me on this journey.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

In order to achieve your academic goals for 2025, it is essential, from day one, to stay dedicated and determined, despite the inevitable challenges you will encounter. It is easy to be discouraged during the lengthy examination season, but you must stay headstrong. When the going gets tough, remember your dream and remind yourself that you are not alone on this academic journey. Lastly, and most importantly, you must maintain a balance. To walk the tightrope of academic, leadership and sports roles, take a moment to reflect on what you have achieved thus far, and the finish line will look infinitely closer.

TOP LEARNER CLUSTER B POSITION 1



LEARNER:	NAVSARIA SHUSHIL
SCHOOL:	GREY BOYS HIGH

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	95
Afrikaans First Additional Language	7	93
English Home Language	7	86
Information Technology	7	96
Life Orientation	7	93
Mathematics	7	98
Physical Sciences	7	98

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am the son of Narendra and Jaisheila Navsaria and the younger brother of my sister, Alisha. I was born and raised in Gqeberha/Port Elizabeth, in a loving and supportive household that emphasised family values of resilience, perseverance and tradition. Our family business, Navsaria Shoe Repairs, has been passed down through generations, becoming a cornerstone of our identity. Matric was a particularly challenging year for me, as I experienced the loss of both my grandparents and my aunt. My aunt, especially, played a fundamental role in my academics, offering constant encouragement and guidance. Their constant belief in me continues to inspire me, and I am grateful for this opportunity to honour and pay tribute to their memory.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My greatest source of inspiration is my family. They have always been my backbone as they support and motivate me to reach my full potential. Special mention must be made to my sister, as she always offers valuable advice and unwavering guidance – even when its annoyingly correct. My school, Grey High School, has been a defining factor in my growth and has taught me to strive for excellence

while maintaining values of respect, discipline and involvement. Lastly, I am motivated by my peers as I am surrounded by diligent and talented individuals who always push me to try my best.

FUTURE PLANS

This year, I plan to study Mechatronics Engineering in Cape Town. I look forward to learning more skills and broadening my horizons. I am passionate about the technology industry as there are many opportunities for innovation, creativity and problem-solving. Further down the line, I hope to explore entrepreneurship prospects within this exciting sector.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

My advice for the Matriculants of 2025 is that having discipline and consistency is the key to success. This year is going to be a tough and busy year, but make sure to always have your goals in mind to stay motivated. A little bit of work everyday goes a long way, and you will thank yourself in the long run for staying consistent from the beginning. It is normal to make mistakes, but make sure to use them as an opportunity to learn. Finally, remember to have fun along the way because finding a balance between work and enjoyment is essential.



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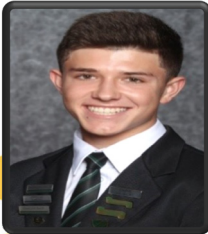
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TOP LEARNER: POSITION 2



LEARNER:	JOUBERT CHRISTIAAN STEPHANUS
SCHOOL:	PEARSON HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Afrikaans Home Language	7	90
English First Additional Language	7	88
Engineering Graphics and Design	7	98
Information Technology	7	98
Life Orientation	7	91
Mathematics	7	98
Physical Sciences	7	96

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Christiaan Joubert from Port Elizabeth. I grew up with a supportive mom, dad and younger sister by my side. The morals they taught me laid a strong foundation for my Primary and High school years, for which I am deeply grateful.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I have always tried to follow the example set by my parents - never giving up and always putting in my absolute best effort. My religion has also been a constant source of guidance and inspiration throughout my life.

FUTURE PLANS

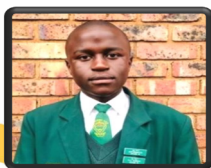
I am super excited to go to Stellenbosch University to pursue a degree in Mechatronics Engineering. My biggest aspiration for the future is to start my own business based on a field I am passionate about.

ADVISE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Always keep your head high, no matter the challenges you face. Nothing is more important than maintaining balance in all aspects of life. Never forget your WHY.



TOP LEARNER: POSITION 2



LEARNER:	MAJEBE SIVIKELE
SCHOOL:	XOLILIZWE SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Agricultural Sciences	7	99
English First Additional Language	7	86
Life Sciences	7	97
Life Orientation	7	100
Mathematics	7	100
Physical Sciences	7	98
IsiXhosa Home Language	7	88



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FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Sivikele Majebe. I come from a very close family and I am supported and motivated by everyone in the household. As I reflect on my academic journey, I am proud to say that I, Sivikele Majebe, have recently completed my National Senior Certificate (NSC) at Xolilizwe S.S.S. I am 16 years old and have always been passionate about Mathematics and Science. Throughout my academic journey, I have developed exceptional skills and strengths. I excel in analytical skills, problem-solving, and curiosity. I have also demonstrated leadership skills through participating in school clubs and teams.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

My motivation stems from a desire to make a positive impact and provide for my family. My teachers have also been instrumental in encouraging me to excel in all that I do.

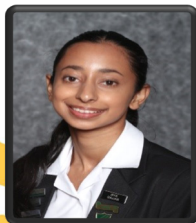
FUTURE PLANS

My career aspiration is to pursue Actuarial Science, a field that combines my love for numbers and problem-solving. My plans for the future include pursuing a Bachelor's degree in Actuarial Science at the University of the Witwatersrand.

ADVICE TO THE MATRIC CLASS OF 2025

My message to fellow learners is one of encouragement and motivation. "Work hard and strive for excellence, regardless of the challenges you may face. Collaborate with your peers, ask questions, and seek help when needed. Believe in yourself and your abilities, and don't be afraid to dream big. With dedication and perseverance, you can overcome any obstacle and achieve great things."

TOP LEARNER: POSITION 1



LEARNER:	GAJJAR DIYA VIKESH
SCHOOL:	PEARSON HIGH SCHOOL

Results	Level	%
Accounting	7	100
Afrikaans First Additional Language	7	97
English Home Language	7	91
Life Sciences	7	96
Life Orientation	7	95
Mathematics	7	98
Physical Sciences	7	96

FAMILY BACKGROUND

I am Diya Gajjar and I was born and raised in Port Elizabeth. My dad is an orthopedic surgeon, and my mom is a general practitioner. I have an older sister who was also a Pearsonite and is currently studying Business Science at the University of Cape Town.

I am fortunate to have a supportive family who have always motivated me to work harder and provided me with the resources to reach my full potential.

SOURCE OF INSPIRATION

I have always aspired to study medicine. The challenging journey of becoming a doctor played a role in me pushing myself academically. Fortunately, I am self-disciplined and a hard worker who strives to always give off my best.

FUTURE PLANS

I plan to follow in my parents' footsteps and study medicine. Ultimately, I want to be a cardiothoracic surgeon. I hope to start this new chapter of my life in the Western Cape.

ADVICE TO THE GRADE 12 CLASS OF 2025

Do not limit your potential or settle for less than you are capable of. Keep pushing yourself to do and achieve more.



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