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DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION

NO. 527

15 June 2021

**NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO 27 OF 1996)
CALL FOR COMMENTS: PROPOSED 2023 CALENDAR FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, acting under section 3(4)(k) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (No. 27 of 1996) and after consultation with the Council of Education Ministers, invite stakeholder bodies and members of the public to comment on the Proposed 2023 School Calendar.

The Proposed 2023 School Calendar and the National Policy for Determining School Calendars for Public Schools in South Africa are obtainable on the following Departmental website:
<http://www.education.gov.za>.

All interested persons and organisations are invited to comment on the Proposed 2023 School Calendar, in writing, and direct the comments to the Director-General for Department of Basic Education, for the attention of Mr S Mlambo, e-mail: Mlambo.S@dbe.gov.za; cc Manaka.L@dbe.gov.za.

All comments must reach the Department no later than one month after the publication of this notice.



ANGELINA MATSIE MOTSHEKGA, MP
MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION
DATE: 29 MAY 2021



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Department:
Basic Education
REPUBLIC OF SOUTH AFRICA



INLAND CLUSTER: FREE STATE, GAUTENG, LIMPOPO, MPUMALANGA AND NORTH WEST PROVINCES

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Public and School Holidays 2023	
01 January	New Year's Day
02 January	Public Holiday
20 March	Special School Holiday
21 March	Human Rights Day
07 April	Good Friday
10 April	Family Day
27 April	Freedom Day
28 April	Special School Holiday
01 May	Workers' Day
16 June	Youth Day
09 August	National Women's Day
24 September	Heritage Day
25 September	Public Holiday
16 December	Day of Reconciliation
25 December	Christmas Day
26 December	Day of Goodwill

	Weekends
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	School days
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Duration	No. of weeks	No. of days	No. of public holidays	Actual no. of school days
(09) 11 January - 24 March	11	53 (55)	1+1	51(53)
12 April – 23 June	11	53	3+1	49
18 July – 29 September	11	54	2	52
10 October – 13 December (15) December	10	47 (49)	0	47 (49)
Total	43	207 (211)	6+2	199 (203)

COASTAL CLUSTER: EASTERN CAPE, KWAZULU-NATAL, NORTHERN CAPE AND WESTERN CAPE PROVINCES

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