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### **CIRCULAR S17 OF 2021**

#### **RETRACTION OF CIRCULAR S16 OF 2021**

1. This Circular serves to retract Circular S16 of 2021 which communicated the weightings of school-based assessment and the end-of-year examination for Grade 10 and 11 for 2021, 2022 and 2023.
2. Circular S17 of 2021 reinstates the prescripts published through Circular S7 of 2020 which are articulated as follows:
  - (a) The weighting of School-based Assessment is increased from 25% to 60% and the examination component is decreased from 75% to 40%.
  - (b) The full-scale examinations in Grade 10 and 11 be replaced by a controlled test.
3. This implies that for the end of the year assessment in 2021, the Controlled Test/s will carry a weighting of 40% and the school based assessment (SBA), will carry a weighting of 60% in Grade 10 and 11. The programme of assessment as implemented in 2020, will apply fully in 2021.

4. You are kindly requested to bring the content of this Circular to the attention of all provincial and district officials, principals and teachers of both public and independent schools, and relevant stakeholders



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