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2019 PROVINCIAL LANGUAGE ENRICHMENT COMPETITIONS

Language is the basis of all thinking and learning. We need to ensure that learners are motivated about learning as a society, because learning create opportunities for all children to succeed in life.

The Free State Department of Education (FSDoE) in partnership with the Department of Sport, Arts, Culture and Recreation (DSACR) will host the 2019 Provincial Competitions on Language Development and Enrichment at the President Hotel in Bloemfontein from 2 to 6 September.

The aim of the competitions is to improve the level of literacy among the Free State learners. The DSACR also aims to develop the entrepreneurial skills of the unemployed youth through the compilation and presentation of business plans. The 2019 competitions will involve Grades 3 to 9 learners and unemployed youth who will participate in a variety of activities as follows:

2 September 2019

- Reading Quiz: 10 Grade 5 learners
- Reading Quiz: 10 Grade 6
- Book Review in English: 10 Grades 5 to 7 learners
- Book Review in African Languages

3 September 2019

- Spelling Bee in African Languages: 24 Grades 4 to 6 learners
- Spelling Bee in English: 30 Grades 4 to 6 learners

4 September 2019

- Sesotho Spelling Bee: 10 Grade 3 learners
- Sesotho Spelling Bee: 10 Grade 4 learners
- English Spelling Bee: 10 Grade 3 learners
- English Spelling Bee: 10 Grade 4 learners
- Celebrating National Book Week with learners in cooperation with South African

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Book Development Council

5 September 2019

- Poetry: Grades 4 to 7 learners
- Debate: Grades 5 to 7 learners

6 September 2019

- Public Speaking: 10 Grade 9 learners
- Business Plans: 12 Young adults

Learners were expected to read a wide range of books, fiction and non-fiction, in preparing for the competitions. In the reading of the non-fiction books, learners will have to know the content of subjects offered in Grades 3 to 7, as the topics and themes of the competitions have been derived from these sources.

The Language Festival activities of the FSDOE started at school level and progressed to district eliminations while Reading Festival activities of DSACR started from local library level and progressed to municipal and district levels. The culmination of these activities is the Competitions at Provincial Level which will be hosted by MEC for Education: Tate Makgoe and MEC for DSACR: Limakatso Mahasa.

Your media house is invited to cover this event.

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