

## **MAYOR DONATES LAPTOPS TO TOP PERFORMING LEARNERS**

**MOSESETJANE:** Learning will be much easier at tertiary level for Mokopane Circuit 2020 Matric Top 5 learners from various schools after a generous donation of 5 brand new laptops to learners.

The laptop donation follows after the Mogalakwena Local Municipality Mayor, His Worship Cllr Malesela Frans Mokwele visited his alma mater school, AB Makapan Secondary School. Mayor Mokwele, a former COSAS Chairperson at AB Makapan Secondary was impressed with the massive improvement achieved by his former school.

The school, AB Makapan has improved from 67% pass rate to 100% under the difficult conditions of Covid-19. The school is currently on position 03 on the province for the most improved school and 53 learners wrote their final examinations.

“These laptops will ensure that this to be students are properly equipped to take part in the fourth industrial revolution. This will ease them from the pressure of being at the library the whole time as they can study at place of their own comfort,” said Mayor Mokwele.

“As deployed by the African National Congress, we want to help improve education that would in turn gradually improve the lives of poor communities. As government we want to do everything possible to assist learners who come from poor families.

“The country is facing invisible pandemic known as COVID 19 which brought about new way of doing things and hardships. The education sector had to resume with its academic and learning programmes when majority of us were scared to face it. When some of us were sceptical about going back to school majority of educators were at the fore front in order to offer our children quality education. The 100% pass rate for 2020 matric results is a clear indication of immeasurable commitment our educators demonstrated throughout difficult times,” said Mayor Mokwele.

Mayor Mokwele indicated that this achievement (100% pass rate) is a demonstration of how much our children take the future of this country serious.

“I would like to encourage the current cohort of learners who matriculated in this school to further their studies so that they can become better people for the betterment and development of their own village. To the parents I would like to appreciate your cooperation and support you offered to this government of our President Cde Matamela Cyril Ramaphosa by granting your children permission to go back to school, if it was not that this achievement could have not been realised,” added Mayor Mokwele.

“Your support to government confirms that education is a societal issue, I would like to request you to continue to give optimally support to our schools to preserve a better future for our children. I am a proud product of this school, it’s a privilege for me to stand in front of you as the Mayor of Mogalakwena Local Municipality to express and convey congratulatory words on behalf of Mogalakwena Council. I started and completed my school under very different difficult conditions,” continued Mokwele.

Mayor Mokwele said, the 100% pass rate coincides with his appointment as the Mayor of Mogalakwena Local Municipality hence he could not hesitate to visit the school.

“I am humbled by being identified by the ruling party, the African National Congress to lead a municipality at a time when my former school is counted amongst the best school in our Circuit, District and Province. This achievement worth to be celebrated by all of us. To the educators, my message to you is that your contribution in our society is appreciated. On behalf of Mogalakwena Local Municipal Council and surrounding communities I would like to express words gratitude for the sterling and wonderful job you are doing for our communities,” Mayor Mokwele said.

Mayor Mokwele reminded those who attended the celebration that COVID 19 regulations are still applicable and urged everyone to adhere to the regulations in order to save lives.