
SPECIAL TRANSFORMATORY PROGRAMMES

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**TO : ALL DEPUTY DIRECTOR GENERAL'S
ALL CHIEF DIRECTORS
ALL DISTRICT DIRECTORS
ALL SCHOOL PRINCIPALS**

FROM : CD: STATUTORY ADVISORY AND PROTOCOL SERVICES

SUBJECT : MANDELA DAY 2016

DATE : 22 JUNE 2016

The Department of Education as in the past, will partake in the celebration of the birthday of the late Tata Madiba.

Mandela day is an initiative of the Nelson Mandela Foundation and its sister organizations. The Nelson Mandela Day was first launched on 28/03/2011 and has been declared by the United Nations General Assembly as International Nelson Mandela Day.

The celebration of Mandela day will focus on the core values that informed Nelson Mandela's life and how these values encourage us today to advance the national imperatives to promote quality learning and teaching, to strengthen social cohesion and build a peace loving nation.

It remains the department's intention, through partnership with other government departments and other organizations, to ensure that each school promotes the legacy of the former President and his stature as an icon of peace and democracy in the world. The legacy of former President Mandela is embodied in the values of the constitution.

This year chief directorates and district offices are again requested to take part in the celebration of Mandela Day. Chief directorates and districts must develop a plan for their respective activities at offices and schools as these plans will be forwarded to the Provincial Legislative via the Office of the Premier.



Ikamva eliqagambileyo!

All provincial departments are required to submit their plans before the 13 July 2016 and districts and chief directorates are therefore requested to submit their plans to the Office of the Chief Director: Statutory Advisory and Protocol Services before 08 July 2016. Activity plans can be forwarded to anelisa.jaji@edu.ecprov.gov.za or fax to 040 608 4430. Plans must be in the following format:

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DATE	DISTRICT	ACTIVITY	VENUE
18/07/2016	CD: HRM Head Office	Assist interns with interview skills	Head Office
20/07/2016	East London	Lecture on xenophobia	Parkside Girls High school

Mr Bruiners from the Special Programmes Unit can be contacted for more information at 040 608 4725 or 074 684 5563. Attached please find list possible Mandela Day activities.

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CHIEF DIRECTOR: STATUTORY PROTOCOL AND ADVISORY SERVICES

DATE: 24/06/2016

Cc: Office of the MEC

Office of the Acting Head of Department



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67 ways to change the Eastern Cape

1. Make a new friend. Get to know someone from a different cultural background. Only through mutual understanding can we rid our communities of intolerance and xenophobia.
2. Read to someone who can't. Visit a local home for the blind and open up a new world for someone else.
3. Fix the potholes in your street or neighbourhood.
4. Help out at the local animal shelter. Dogs without homes still need a walk and a bit of love.
5. Find out from your local library if it has a story hour and offer to read during it.
6. Offer to take an elderly neighbour who can't drive to do their shopping/chores.
7. Organise a litter cleanup day in your area.
8. Get a group of people to each knit a square and make a blanket for someone in need.
9. Volunteer at your police station or local faith-based organisation.
10. Donate your skills!
11. If you're a builder, help build or improve someone's home.
12. Help someone to get his/her business off the ground.
13. Build a website for someone who needs one, or for a cause you think needs the support.
14. Help someone get a job. Put together and print a CV for them, or help them with their interview skills.
15. If you're a lawyer, do some pro bono work for a worthwhile cause or person.
16. Write to your area councillor about a problem in the area that requires attention, which you, in your personal capacity, are unable to attend to.
17. Sponsor a group of learners to go to the theatre/zoo.

Help out for good health

18. Get in touch with your local HIV organisations and find out how you can help.
19. Help out at your local hospice, as staff members often need as much support as the patients.
20. Many terminally ill people have no one to speak to. Take a little time to have a chat and bring some sunshine into their lives.
21. Talk to your friends and family about HIV.
22. Get tested for HIV and encourage your partner to do so too.
23. Take a bag full of toys to a local hospital that has a children's ward.
24. Take younger members of your family for a walk in the park.
25. Donate some medical supplies to a local community clinic.
26. Take someone you know, who can't afford it, to get their eyes tested or their teeth checked.
27. Bake something for a support group of your choice.
28. Start a community garden to encourage healthy eating in your community.
29. Donate a wheelchair or guide dog, to someone in need.
30. Create a food parcel and give it to someone in need.



Become an educator

31. Offer to help out at your local school.
32. Mentor a school leaver or student in your field of expertise.
33. Coach one of the extramural activities the school offers. You can also volunteer to coach an extramural activity the school doesn't offer.
34. Offer to provide tutoring in a school subject you are good at.
35. Donate your old computer.
36. Help maintain the sports fields.
37. Fix up a classroom by replacing broken windows, doors and light bulbs.
38. Donate a bag of art supplies.
39. Teach an adult literacy class.
40. Paint classrooms and school buildings.
41. Donate your old textbooks, or any other good books, to a school library.

Help those living in poverty

42. Buy a few blankets, or grab the ones you no longer need from home and give them to someone in need.
43. Clean out your cupboard and donate the clothes you no longer wear to someone who needs them.
44. Put together food parcels for a needy family.
45. Organise a bake sale, car wash or garage sale for charity and donate the proceeds.
46. To the poorest of the poor, shoes can be a luxury. Don't hoard them if you don't wear them. Pass them on!
47. Volunteer at your local soup kitchen.

Care for the youth

48. Help at a local children's home or orphanage.
49. Help the kids with their studies.
50. Organise a friendly game of soccer, or sponsor the kids to watch a game at the local stadium.
51. Coach a sports team and make new friends.
52. Donate sporting equipment to a children's shelter.
53. Donate educational toys and books to a children's home.
54. Paint, or repair, infrastructure at an orphanage or youth centre.
55. Mentor someone. Make time to listen to what the kids have to say and give them good advice.

Treasure the elderly

56. If you play an instrument, visit your local old-age home and spend an hour playing for the residents and staff.
57. Learn the story of someone older than you. Too often people forget that the



elderly have a wealth of experience and wisdom and, more often than not, an interesting story to tell.

58. Take an elderly person grocery shopping; they will appreciate your company and assistance.

59. Take someone's dog for a walk if they are too frail to do so themselves.

60. Mow someone's lawn and help them to fix things around their house.

Look after your environment

61. If there are no recycling centres in your area, petition your area councillor to provide one.

62. Donate indigenous trees to beautify neighbourhoods in poorer areas.

63. Collect old newspapers from a school/community centre/hospital and take them to a recycling centre.

64. Identify open manhole covers or drains in your area and report them to the local authorities.

65. Organise the company/school/organisation that you work with to switch off all unnecessary lights and power supplies at night and on weekends.

66. Engage with people who litter and see if you can convince them of the value of clean surroundings.

67. Organise to clean up your local park, river, beach, street, town square or sports grounds with a few friends. Our children deserve to grow up in a clean and healthy environment.



Be part of the green revolution