TO: CHIEF DIRECTORS
DISTRICT DIRECTORS
CLUSTER CHIEF DIRECTORS
DISTRICT DIRECTORS
CES: ESSS

FROM: SUPERINTENDENT GENERAL

SUBJECT: SUPPORTING DISABILITY ADVOCACY TEKKIE TAX INITIATIVE 31 MAY 2019

DATE: 7 MAY 2019

The above matter has reference:

1. This is to kindly advise the Chief Directors, Directors at Head office, Cluster Chief Directors, District Directors and CES: ESSS that the Eastern Cape Department of Education is partnering with the broader stakeholders in the disability sector in the province to raise awareness of disability to all school learners, in its endeavour to promote inclusivity, social cohesion and embracing of differences in school communities.

2. To this effect we urge Chief Directors and District Directors to support the Tekkie Tax Initiative of 31 May 2019, through encouraging all staff, learners and the broader community to purchase stickers and to be active in promoting disability awareness initiative at schools across the province on that day. See promotional brochure attached.
3. The Directorate: Inclusive Education will take the lead in this initiative by partnering with persons with disabilities and organisations in local communities, to run Disability Awareness Workshops in primarily public ordinary primary and secondary schools in all districts. District-based support teams should mobilise in order to plan and organised these workshops with school Senior Management Teams, including all Life Orientation educators. Some schools may wish to allow learners to wear civilian clothes (civvies) on Friday 31 May 2019, and to wear the promotional stickers proudly through a donation.

4. Promotional material in the form of A3 Posters, brochures and stickers are available for distribution form this office, and Districts are requested to collect a pre-assigned package of promotional material by 15 May 2019. Queries Communication office: Impi Kuhlengisa 040 608 4028 or impi.kuhlengisa@ecdoe.gov.za

5. All monies collected through this Disability Awareness initiative will be collected by the District Directors and Chief Directors, who will be responsible for ensuring that monies are safely collected and delivered to this office no later than 17 June 2019.

6. The Department of Education will also publicise this event through its website and encourages the posting of photographs by districts and schools of local events in relation to this initiative on the SG’s webpage: Tekkie Tax - Promoting Disability Awareness.

Yours sincerely

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