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ATTENTION:
SA SCHOOLS PROVINCES
DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION
TEACHERS UNIONS
SCHOOL PRINCIPALS & PARENTS

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Ref: Cancel-T&F2020

**RE: CANCELLATION OF THE SA SCHOOLS ATHLETICS TRACK & FIELD
CHAMPIONSHIPS FOR HIGH & PRIMARY SCHOOLS 2020.**

Dear Colleague

The President of South Africa, Mr Cyril Ramaphosa, has extended the strict measures and Lockdown to counter the Covid-19 Epidemic in S.A.

1. The Country Lockdown will continue until 30 April 2020.
2. No School Sport is allowed during this period.
3. Gatherings of 50 people or more strictly forbidden.

After consultation with 7/9 of the SASA Provinces and in context of these strict measures, SA Schools Athletics announces as follows:

1. Cancellation of the National High Schools Track & Field Championships for 2020.
2. Cancellation of the National Primary Schools Track & Field Championships for 2020.
3. We are mindful of the fact that teaching and learning have been adversely affected and we would like to give the intended recovery plans of DBE enough space to meet its mission and objectives.
4. If the Lockdown is lifted in time, we will try our utmost to continue with the SASA Cross Country Championships in North West Province on Saturday, 19 September 2020. Providing an agreement with DBE and SASA Provinces, as this is only a 1-day event.

SA Schools Athletics will start the 2021 Track & Field Season in January with the different levels of competition, School→Clusters→Circuit/Zone→District→Province→National. We will communicate the SA Schools Calendar for 2021 to all SASA Provinces in time to come.

Yours Sincerely

PEPPI OLEVANO (General Secretary, SASA)