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## Circulars

Kindly take note of the following documents which are available at <http://www.eccurriculum.co.za/Circulars.htm>:

- Memo - Operation Bhatata: Provincial Human Resource Intervention Plan with an Aim of Monitoring and Providing Support to Districts
- Memo: Change of Funza Lushaka Screening Form + Form
- Memo: Skills profiling for the departmental workforce
- DBE Circular E14: 2020 SBA requirements of Technical Sciences (Grades 10 - 12) and Physical Sciences (Grade 10)

## Woza Matrics 2020 Catch Up



Woza Matrics is led by the DBE assisted by the National Education Collaboration Trust and developed in collaboration with the South African Broadcasting Corporation (SABC), Multichoice and eMedia Investments as well as with a number of educational content providers and educationalists.

The 12-week Woza Matrics campaign started on 1 September 2020 and supports Grade 12 learners in the build-up to their final matric exams. The **broadcasting schedule** on SABC 3 is available at [https://wozamatrics.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/SABC3-WOZA-MATRICES-TV-September-2020-Broadcast-Schedule\\_28-Aug.pdf](https://wozamatrics.co.za/wp-content/uploads/2020/08/SABC3-WOZA-MATRICES-TV-September-2020-Broadcast-Schedule_28-Aug.pdf)

## COVID-19 and Education in the rest of the world?



In South Africa we experienced the radical effects of COVID-19 this year, but have you ever wondered what is happening in the rest of the world currently?

"Below you'll find a list of countries where schools have reopened, and countries yet to open. It's not exhaustive. One thing seems clear - no-one has the 'answer' to education in the time of Covid. We're learning, iterating and growing."

### ● **Now Open:**

- **More than 1.4 million students returned to school in Wuhan, China**, the original epicenter of the coronavirus outbreak, this week. The majority of schools in China have reopened, with some exceptions in regions like Xinjiang in the far west, which have experienced more recent spikes.
- **In Cuba** schools reopened this week, **except in Havana** which is under a 15-day minimum lockdown to tamp down a small, but persistent number of cases.
- When **German schools** opened in early August some quickly closed again after Covid cases were detected, but **it has quickly become a model for other countries**.
- **In Russia**, schools reopened on 1 September, and **teachers are eligible for the experimental "Sputnik V" coronavirus vaccine**, though not all of them are lining up to get it.
- **The majority of schools in England** reopened this week with staggered arrival times, frequent handwashing, and distanced seating. **In Scotland**, where schools reopened 3 weeks ago, transmission has been detected in some schools in Glasgow.

### ● **Opening now to end September:**

- School openings have been pushed back by a week to 15 September **in Greece**, which is experiencing a surge in Covid cases.
- **Schools in South Korea** had been open since late May, but last week the government shut all schools around Seoul until at least 11 September due to rising cases.

- **Students in Spain** are expected to head back to school next week, with mandated distancing and frequent hand washing, but a teacher testing program in Madrid did not get off to a good start.
- After 6 months of closure, students in examination classes **in Zimbabwe** will start to return to school in two weeks, and exams will begin in December.

● **Opening from 1 October onwards:**

- **In Argentina**, most schools (with the exception of a rural province of Catamarca) remain closed. A proposal to create “digital hubs” to support the most disconnected and vulnerable students in Buenos Aires was voted down, with the minister of education now promising computers and connectivity for some 6,500 students.
- **Most Brazilian schools** remain closed. The state of São Paulo announced they would hire at least a thousand psychologists to provide support to teachers and students who suffered from isolation as a result of Covid. Meanwhile, the state of Amazonas, which restarted classes three weeks ago reported 7.9% of teachers were now infected.
- **Schools in India** have been closed for over 5 months, with no indication when they will reopen. Teachers in Nilam Nagar in Western India have painted murals to teach children in outdoor classes.
- **Students in the Philippines** will not start school until 5 October, and when they do it will be remote-only. President Rodrigo Duterte has said that he does not favor reopening in person until a vaccine is available.
- **New York City, the largest school district in the US**, has pushed opening back 10 days to provide teachers more time to prepare for students, for a late September start date.



Source: 4 September 2020

## Aansoeke vir ATKV-Postmatriek 2021 nou oop!



Die program is tien maande lank en gevul met visie, doelwitte, avontuur en uitdagings om nie net jou leierskappotensiaal te ontdek nie, maar om jou ook te help om die insig en vermoë te ontwikkel om verantwoordelike en ingeligte besluite rondom jou toekoms en loopbaanrigting te neem. Lees meer hieroor by [http://www.atkvpostmatriek.co.za/?fbclid=IwAR0U6Nj8\\_yu1uRVsvj\\_Q\\_xPb6fXl\\_SsNGDSqzV30mTB3bAk6zf6C8nkYyg](http://www.atkvpostmatriek.co.za/?fbclid=IwAR0U6Nj8_yu1uRVsvj_Q_xPb6fXl_SsNGDSqzV30mTB3bAk6zf6C8nkYyg).

## CVs

(CVs received since the previous edition. See the list below.)

(More information and contact details of these candidates, as well as more than 1000 others, are available at <https://bit.ly/CVdata>.)

NAME	SURNAME	QUALIFICATIONS	PHASE	SUBJECTS	AREA
Reitumetse	Modise	PGCE in Senior phase and FET BTech in Quantity Surveying Diploma in Building Science	Intermediate / Intermediêr, Senior, FET / VOO	Technology, Civil technology, Life orientation, Natural Science, Life Skills, Mathematics, Social Science, English	
Lizerie	Eloff	Finalejaar onderwysstudient 2020 (B.Ed Grondslagfase)	Foundation / Grondslag	Graad R, Graad 1, Graad 2, Graad 3	Jeffreysbaai, Port Elizabeth

## ECDoE Curriculum Support: Online Resources

A large number of Curriculum Teaching and Learning Support Material has been developed for Teachers and Learners and is available at <http://www.eccurriculum.co.za>. This is relevant for...

- **ECD: 0 – 5 year old**
- **Grade R (Play, Learn & Grow Together)**
- **Foundation Phase (Lesson Plans & Trackers)**
- **Intermediate Phase (Pace Setters, Lesson Plans & Worksheets)**
- **Senior Phase (Pace Setters, Lesson Plans & Worksheets)**
- **FET Phase (Video lessons, Worksheets, Trackers & Tests)**
- **eLearning (Various resources)**



## Teaching and Examination Resources

Please visit our websites for lots of Teaching and Examination Resources:

- <http://www.eccurriculum.co.za/>
- <http://www.ecexams.co.za/>

## Recovery Plans

All the documents relevant to the Department of Education's Recovery Plan are available at <https://bit.ly/RecoveryPlans2020>.

## Prospective Teachers!

- **Principals and SGBs** who need teachers are invited to scan the database of prospective teachers at <https://bit.ly/CVdata>. **Tip:** To find a teacher for a specific phase or subject, do the following

at the webpage: **Ctrl + F** will open a search window. Enter a keyword, for example **Maths**, and then work through the search results.

● **Prospective Teachers** are welcome to submit their CVs online at <http://bit.ly/CVinfo>.

If you're not prepared to be wrong,  
you'll never come up with anything  
original.

Sir Ken Robinson

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