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### **MEDIA STATEMENT**

**To: All Media**

**Att: News Editors**

**For immediate release**

**13 September 2018**

#### **Eldos School learner arrested for pointing gun at Teacher**

The Gauteng Department of Education wishes to confirm the arrest of 15-year-old boy learner in grade 8 at Eldorado Park Secondary School for pointing a gun at an educator in class, yesterday.

It must be noted that, the said boy was arrested by SAPS Eldorado Park today, 13 September 2018 and charged with pointing a gun and possession of dangerous weapon (Black Powerline Gas Gun), subsequently, the learner was released into his parents' custody. He will appear tomorrow, 14 September 2018 at the Kliptown Magistrates Court.

The SGB immediately suspended the learner and served parents with a notice of disciplinary hearing for tonight, 13 September 2018.

Our Psycho-Social Support team has commenced with counselling of the affected educator and all affected by the alleged incident at the school.

“We wish to reiterate that, school based violence and other related misdemeanours will be expedited, and as such, we are indebted to the SGB for their swift action. We have adopted a zero-nonsense tolerance approach towards delinquents, and will demonstrate no mercy towards lawlessness in and around our schools. Learners are encouraged to refrain from acts of misconduct in our schools” said MEC Lesufi.

Finally, we can also confirm that, we are in a process of searching for two unidentified learners, seen on the social media, fighting with knives. Our team will also act swiftly against these Learners. More information will be shared in due course on this matter.

**For more information, contact the Gauteng Department of Education's Spokesperson, Steve Mabona on 072 574 3860.**

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