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MEC Lesufi happy about Matric attendance during National Taxi Alliance Strike

The Gauteng MEC for Education, Mr. Panyaza Lesufi is happy that irrespective of a National Taxi Alliance Strike majority of Grade 12 learners arrived on time for their final examination on Wednesday, 08 November 2017.

Our preliminary report indicates that less than 20 learners were redirected to alternative venues to write their exam. It is important to note that, most learners who arrived late were not more than an hour late. A handful of learners that were an hour late, were accommodated accordingly. No absenteeism has been reported due to the said strike.

We would like to thank all parents who made an effort to make alternative transport arrangements especially for our Grade 12 learners.

MEC Lesufi said “we wish to reiterate that, such activities are unfortunate and have a negative impact on the delivery of education in our province particularly during this critical examination period. We wish our learners well under these difficult circumstances”.

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