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DINOKANENG SECONDARY LEARNERS INVOLVED IN SCHOLAR TRANSPORT ACCIDENT

The Gauteng Department of Education (GDE) regrets to inform that eight learners from Dinokaneng Secondary School in Vanderbijlpark were involved in a scholar transport accident on Wednesday, 7 September 2022, in which one (1) learner died, three (3) learners were hospitalised and four (4) learners sustained minor injuries.

The incident is alleged to have occurred on Wednesday morning by the hostel pickup point in Sebokeng. The learners were reportedly hit by a scholar transport bus at the pickup point while boarding to get to school.

Information at our disposal confirms that the learners were rushed to a local medical facility. One learner succumbed to injuries while receiving medical attention, and three learners were hospitalised due to the severity of their injuries. Four learners were identified to have sustained minor injuries.

Police have launched an investigation into circumstances surrounding the accident.

Our Psycho-Social Team has been dispatched to the school for necessary support.

“We wish to convey our sincerest condolences to the family of the deceased and the school community at large. We wish the learners affected by this incident a speedy recovery”, said Gauteng Education MEC Panyaza Lesufi.

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

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