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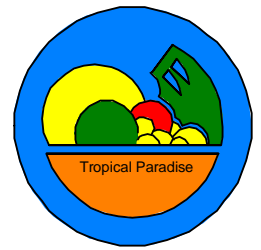
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MAYOR HONOURS THE CLASS OF 2016

Mayor Maripe Mangena yesterday (Wednesday, 12 April 2017) honoured learners, educators, schools and circuit managers during the Mayor's Excellence Awards held at Hotel@Tzaneen. Mangena said that he believed that "awarding excellence will go a long way in motivating". He reminded teachers, parents, learners, government and business to "prioritize the improvement of the entire public schooling and matric result in particular."

Mangena quoted Oliver Tambo who he said was a Physical Science and Mathematics teacher's "a country that does not take care of its youth does not deserve its future".

Mangena honoured the best learner in each of the ten circuits under the Greater Tzaneen Municipality. The Mayor also gave an award of "the Best Performing Learner per circuit from an Independent Schools which went to Cindy Mabuza (94%) from St George College in the Nkowankowa Circuit.

He also bestowed honours on educators from ordinary public schools who achieved 100% pass rate in Accounting, Mathematics and Physical Science.

Shiluvane Circuit and Khujwana Circuit were honoured for being the most improved circuits. Shiluvane Circuit went from 74.4% in 2015 to 74.9% in 2016 and Khujwana Circuit was at 64.5% in 2015 and at 70% in 2016.

Nkowankowa Circuit won the category of the Best Circuit based on enrolment of 500 and above. The circuit had 1045 learners participating in the 2016 matric examination and 797 of them passed which is a 74.9% pass rate.

In his address Mangena said that the municipality assisted 110 students register in institutions of higher learning through the Mayor's Student Financial Aid Scheme (MSFAS). Out of the 11 winning learners four benefited from MSFAS. He said the municipality planned to budget R1 million rand to assist students in 2018.

The ceremony was attended by councillors, Traditional leaders, circuit managers, labour unions (SADTU and NACTU) and student movement leaders. Also present was Member of provincial legislature, Dan Sebabi who is also the Chair of Chairpersons at the Limpopo provincial legislature.

All winning learners will each receive a laptop and all winning circuit managers got spa vouchers sponsored by the Zillion Boutique. Municipality partnered with Hotel@Tzaneen (venue), Old Mutual (trophies) and Zillion Boutique (spa vouchers).

ALL THE WINNERS

Best performing learners per circuit from Public Schools.

- Abel Nortje 93.1% From Ben Voster
- Tlangelani Shikwambani 92%, Nkowankowa Circuit, Hudson Ntsan'wisi
- MF Sebelemetja 88%, Mawa Circuit, Ramotshinyadi
- SM Mohale 86.4% Thabine Circuit, Mafutsane High School
- Allen Seokoma, 86%, Mafarana, Circuit, Molabisane
- Kabelo Malatjie, 83.3%, Shiluvane Circuit, Pherehla Maake
- Musa Khoza, 72.1%, N'wanedzi Circuit, Mbhekwani High School
- Dineo Machete, 69.9%, Xihoko Circuit, Mapheto
- Hector Vuma 60.3%, Khujwana Circuit, Matimu High School
- CM Masedi, Motupa Circuit, Boke,

Best Performing Educators (Ordinary Public Schools)

Best Performing Learner per circuit (Independent Schools)

- Minkateko Cindy Mabuza, 94%, Nkowankowa Circuit, St George College

Best Performing Educators in Mathematics

- Mushwana CM, Scotch Maboko (Mafarana Circuit)
- Mampa NC, Pherehla Maake (Shilivana Circuit)
- Mabidilala MG, Senwabakgolo (Mawa Circuit)
- Manzini, Matimu High School, Khujwana Circuit

Best Performing Educators in Physical Science

- Tshepe FS, Cata High School, Mafarana Circuit
- Shikwambana DD, Dumela High School, Shiluvana Circuit
- Nkwini JL, Zivuko, Nkowankowa Circuit

Best Performing Educators in Accounting

- Hutamo MH, Sedan High (Mafarana Circuit)
- Mashete MS, Professor, (Mafarana Circuit)
- Nhlanguani NO, Scotch Maboko (Mafarana Circuit)
- Shivambu N, Mawhawha, (N'wanedzi Circuit)
- Letseku MH, Bokgaga, (Shiluvana Circuit)
- Madiba RM, Matseko, (Motupa Circuit)
- Mhlongo MJ, Hudson Ntsan'wisi, (Nkowankowa Circuit)

Best Circuit based on enrolment of 500 and above

- Nkowankowa Circuit, 1045 learners, 797 passed (74.9%)

Most Improved Circuits

- Shiluvane Circuit 74.4% in 2015 to 74.9% in 2016
- Khujwana Circuit (64.5% in 2015 to 70% in 2016)

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