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**GOVERNMENT NOTICE**

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**DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION****No. 753****31 July 2009****NATIONAL EDUCATION POLICY ACT, 1996 (ACT NO. 27 OF 1996)****PROPOSED 2011 AND 2012 SCHOOL CALENDARS FOR PUBLIC SCHOOLS**

**I, Angelina Matsie Motshekga, Minister of Basic Education, hereby publish in terms of section 3(4)(k) of the National Education Policy Act, 1996 (Act No. 27 of 1996) the proposed 2011 and 2012 school calendars for public schools as detailed in the accompanying Schedule.**

**All persons with a particular interest in school calendars are invited to comment in writing on the proposed school calendars and direct the comments to: the Director-General of Basic Education, Private Bag X 895, Pretoria 0001 for the attention of Mr Sihle Mlambo, fax: (012) 328 3532 or e-mail: [Mlambo.S@doe.gov.za](mailto:Mlambo.S@doe.gov.za).**

**All comments must reach the Department of Basic Education not later than one month after the publication of this notice.**

  
**MRS ANGIE MOTSHEKGA, MP**  
**MINISTER OF BASIC EDUCATION**

### PROPOSED SCHOOL CALENDAR FOR 2011

<b>GROUP 1: COASTAL PROVINCES: EASTERN CAPE, KWAZULU-NATAL, NORTHERN CAPE AND WESTERN CAPE</b>					
Term	Duration	No. of weeks	No. of days	No of public holidays	Actual no of school days
1	(17) 19 Jan – 01 April	11	(55) 53	1	(54) 52
2	11 April – 24 June	11	55	5 + 2	48
3	18 July – 30 Sept	11	55	1 + 1	53
4	10 Oct – 09 Dec	9	(45) 45	0	(45) 45
<b>Total</b>		42	(210) 208	10 (7 + 3)	(200) 198
<b>GROUP 2: INLAND PROVINCES: FREE STATE, GAUTENG, LIMPOPO, MPUMALANGA AND NORTH WEST</b>					
Term	Duration	No of weeks	No of days	No of public holidays	Actual no of school days
1	(10) 12 Jan – 25 March	11	(55) 53	1	(54) 52
2	11 April – 24 June	11	55	5 + 2	48
3	18 July – 30 Sept	11	55	1 + 1	53
4	10 Oct – 09 Dec	9	(45) 45	0	(45) 45
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**Note: Dates and days in brackets are for educators**

**Public and School Holidays**

<b>1 January 2011</b>	<b>New Year's Day</b>
<b>21 March 2011</b>	<b>Human Rights Day</b>
<b>22 April 2011</b>	<b>Good Friday</b>
<b>25 April 2011</b>	<b>Family Day</b>
<b>26 April 2011</b>	<b>School Holiday</b>
<b>27 April 2011</b>	<b>Freedom Day</b>
<b>1 May 2011</b>	<b>Workers' Day</b>
<b>2 May 2011</b>	<b>Public Holiday</b>
<b>16 June 2011</b>	<b>Youth Day</b>
<b>17 June 2011</b>	<b>School Holiday</b>
<b>8 August 2011</b>	<b>School Holiday</b>
<b>9 August 2011</b>	<b>Women's Day</b>
<b>24 September 2011</b>	<b>Heritage Day</b>
<b>16 December 2011</b>	<b>Day of Reconciliation</b>
<b>25 December 2011</b>	<b>Christmas Day</b>
<b>26 December 2011</b>	<b>Day of Goodwill</b>