



# NAPTOSA NORTH WEST

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## NEWS FLASH

TO THE NAPTOSA NORTH WEST UNION REPRESENTATIVE

Please make this communication available to ALL NAPTOSA members at your school/college/office.

### THE DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION (DBE) CIRCULAR S1 OF 2017; GUIDELINES TO STRENGTHEN SECTION 4 OF THE CURRICULUM AND ASSESSMENT POLICY STATEMENT, GRADES R-11

Earlier this year NAPTOSA sent out a communiqué to NAPTOSA members outlining its position on Circular S1 of 2017. All unions and several provincial departments have since appealed to the Director-General to withdraw the circular, but he has not done so. Members are reminded that Circular S1 offers a **guideline** and therefore compliance is **not mandatory**.

NAPTOSA has been assured by senior officials in the Department of Basic Education (DBE) that SA-SAMS unit has been instructed to ensure that those who **do not** wish to follow the guidelines offered in Circular S1 are still able to record learners' marks according to the *Curriculum and Assessment Policy Statement* (CAPS) requirements.

NAPTOSA urges members to keep us informed of whether the instructions given to SA-SAMS by the DBE have been adhered to in provinces. Please alert your NAPTOSA provincial office of any problems or concerns that you may experience, and these can then be submitted on or before **Monday, 13 November 2017**.

Kind Regards

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