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Gauteng Schools impress at this year's Baswa Le Meetse competition

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Five Gauteng primary schools are basking in glory after winning the Baswa Le Meetse Provincial Competition which was held at the Sebokeng College on 09, June 2017.

The schools were crowned as winners in five different categories of the competition, including art, drama, music, poetry, praise poetry and poster.

Baswa Le Meetse Competition is one of the programmes under the 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme (VFWSEP) aimed at recognising the role of youth in education and awareness campaigns.

With a focus on integrated water management, sanitation, impact of invasive alien plants and health and hygiene issues, the competition targets learners in the intermediate phase.

Speaking during the competition, acting Provincial Coordinator Ms Mhlabaze Malepe said learners have a role to convey clear messages on water use efficiency, water conservation, water resources protection, sanitation and health and hygiene.

“We believe that the knowledge that you acquired through this competition will assist you to conserve water wisely at home and in schools,” said Malepe.

Learners had to align their messages with the theme “**Water is life, sanitation is dignity**”.

The schools that impressed the judges and walked away with the first prizes were Dithabaneng Primary School in drama, Luyolo Primary school in music and Impendulo Primary School in praise poetry. Lesedi and Tsogang Primary Schools are winners in poetry and poster.

The competition will culminate into the national awards where the five schools will participate in July this year.

Tsholofelo Motaung, who was the previous national winner in the poster category, told the learners to take the competition very seriously and to do their best when preparing for the national competition.

“At the national level the competition is tough. I urge you to do thorough research and work extra hard as you prepare for the national competition,” said Motaung.

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