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Gauteng's Baswa le Meetse coordinator confident province will steal the show at national competition.

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The five Gauteng schools that are still on cloud nine after winning in the different categories of the provincial leg of the Baswa le Meetse Competition earlier this month will to take the national competition by storm.

This is the prediction of the Department of Water and Sanitation's coordinator of the competition in Gauteng, Ms Shoky Malepe.

The competition targets Grade 5 and 6 learners through various creative art forms to transmit water and sanitation related messages. The five schools were part of other schools in the province that went head to head under different categories including drama, music, poetry, praise poetry and poster.

The brainchild of the department of Water and Sanitation's (DWS) 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme, the competition is aimed at driving community-based water literacy initiatives.

Outdoing their peers, learners from Reimoletswe Primary Schools scooped the drama category, booking a spot in the national competition.

The Lihlasedi Primary school wowed the crowd and judges could not help but crown them winners in the poetry category.

With a mesmerising performance that learners from Julius Sebola Primary School displayed, it was not difficult for judges to name them winners in the praise poetry category.

The Job Maseko Primary School struck a chord with the judges as they sang their way to victory in the music category.

The poster category was won by the learners of Lerutla Primary School whose creative posters stole the day.

Ms Malepe said she was looking forward to the national competition, expressing confidence in the learners from her province.

Ms Malepe said: "The learners from the different schools in the province have shown that they are on par with their peers. Their performances in the different categories have shown they will represent the province well in the national competition."

The proud Ms Malepe added that the programme was making an indelible mark by attracting young people who were keen on finding solutions to the challenges facing the water sector.

The Baswa le Meetse national competition will take place later this year.

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