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EC DWS calls on learners to make the province proud

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On 03 May 2022, the Department of Water and Sanitation (DWS) held a learners competition known as South African Youth Water Prize (SAYWP) in King Williams. SAYWP is a youth competition introduced by the Department that targets grades 9 to 11 learners.

Through this competition learners are required to identify water related challenges in either their schools and communities, conduct research and conceive ideas to resolve those challenges.

According to Deputy Director, Water Sector Support, Lungiswa Radebe fourteen (14) schools around the Eastern Cape Province participated in the competition.

“This competition will unearth raw talents, this is also aimed at encouraging learners to protect water resources and use water efficiently and inspire learners to pursue careers in water and sanitation sector” said Radebe.

The biggest winner on the day were Khanyisa High School from Mthatha who will represent the Province at National SAYWP Competition on the 27th of May 2022 in Gauteng. The following learners from Khanyisa High School, Siyabulela Vuke and Nqobile Sibutha have been chosen to represent Eastern Cape nationally.

The first winner in the provincial competition received a cash prize and a bursary from the department to study water sector courses at the institution of their choices.

Director, Water Sector Support, Amanda Sizani encouraged learners and indicated that in competition there are no losers, she urged learners to go back to the drawing board and polish their projects for next year’s competition.

Addressing the winners on the day the proud Amanda expressed her excitement towards the winners. She further stressed that the whole Eastern Cape Province will be behind them during the National competition.

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