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DWS offers bursaries to 9 learners

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The Department of Water and Sanitation in North West has changed the lives of nine learners for better when they were offered full bursaries to study at universities of their choices.

This good gesture is in line with the department's 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme which is aimed at educating learners about efficient use of water, protection of water sources, health and hygiene for a healthy life. To ensure that this programme is successful, the department initiated two other projects such as Aqua Enduro and South African Youth Water Prize targeting the learners in an effort to stimulate their minds to excel in mathematics and physical science.

Last year, 45 schools participated in the 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme in the North West Province and four stood out during the competition, Mmabatho, Milner, Setumo High Schools and Sol Plaatje Secondary School.

Nine learners from these schools, Mmabatho high school, Gareitse Lesego, Omphile Maema, Phamodi Ellen and Kaone Mokgajane; Julian Motswenyane; Atlegang Makokoe, Keitumetse Sebokanelo, Ontlametse Banda and Mmabatho Pule were recently honoured at their schools for representing North West Province during the Departmental school competitions such as South African Youth Water prize, Public Speaking and Aqua Enduro.

Three South African Youth Water Prize provincial winners were awarded tertiary bursaries, certificates, laptops and R3 000 vouchers for them and the school. Three Aqua Enduro provincial winners were awarded tertiary bursaries and second place National Aqua Enduro trophy and lastly three Public Speaking provincial winners were awarded tertiary bursaries as well.

This year Molebogeng Mokone from Sol Plaatje Secondary School is in his first year at tertiary level through the departmental bursary. Other previous bursars are Palesa Phokompe, Tlalang Letlhaku, Reabetswe Mothibi, Vuyiswa Ndabeni and some as Nametso Kgabileng are graduate trainees based in DWS's Hartbeespoort dam offices.

Acting Provincial Head of the Department of Water and Sanitation in the North West Region, Dr Tseliso Ntli, expressed his outmost gratitude for teachers and officials who are dedicated to equipping our youth with valuable information that they can armour themselves with into the future. "Nothing is the limit for these learners", he concluded.

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