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Three Learners from Taung School wins public speaking competitions

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Three learners from Mankuroane Technical and Commercial Secondary School won the Department of Water and Sanitation's (DWS) Provincial annual Public Speaking Competitions on 18 June 2019 held at DWS Mega City Offices.

The programme, targets grade 10 and 11 school learners who debate against each other on the same topic which they have to make an in-depth research about efficient use of water and protection of water resources.

The three Grade 11 learners, Moseki Karabelo, Sello Keamogetse and Shopane Tshepiso were offered full bursaries to study any water related courses at universities of their choice.

This good gesture which is in line with the department's 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme aimed at educating learners about efficient use of water and protection of water sources happened after the learners scooped position one during the public speaking competitions where they were competing with four other schools from the North West Province.

The learners will receive full bursaries which will cover accommodation, books and pocket money from first year until they complete their studies and will also be in the employ of the Department for three years.

Moseki Karabelo, One of the learners who won, highlighted that they are very delighted and over the moon as achieving this was not easy. "I am very excited and grateful for the opportunity presented to us by DWS. We have been working very hard for a long time and would like to wish our competitors well. They should always believe in themselves", said Moseki Karabelo.

Mankuroane Technical and Commercial Secondary School Principal Moses Sehole said: "Our pupils are dedicated and committed that brings a new leaf to the younger generation. We sacrificed a lot to achieve this and I also want to commend parents for their support".

Addressing the learner's during the competitions, Mr Peter Mogosetso, Project Manager for 2020 Vision for Water and Sanitation Education Programme expressed his outmost gratitude to teachers and officials who are dedicated to



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equipping youth with valuable information that they can armour themselves with into the future.

“Nothing is the limit for you, all you have to do is study hard to meet the requirement at any University and enroll for any water related course. Those of you who could not win today, you are encouraged to apply directly for bursaries at the Department”, said Mr Peter Mogosetso.

This year’s Provincial Public Speaking competition winners are as follows:

1ST POSITION—Mankuroane Technical and Commercial Secondary School

2ND POSITION—Letsatsing Secondary School

3RD POSITION—Living Faith Secondary School

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