

STIRLING HIGH SCHOOL

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Dear Parents

NOTICE OF: BY-ELECTION OF THREE NEW SCHOOL GOVERNING BODY PARENT MEMBERS FOR STIRLING HIGH SCHOOL

Three new **Governing Body Parent Members** for **Stirling High School** need to be elected this year in terms of the South African Schools Act.

A meeting of parents will be held in the hall on **Tuesday**, **11th February 2025 at 17H30** to receive nominations and to elect three School Governing Body parent members. Mr Rod Harris, the Principal of Stirling Primary School, will be the electoral officer at this meeting. Nominations may also be made prior to the meeting. Details as to how nominations may be made and who is eligible to stand for election will be posted on the Quickparent App. <u>We would prefer</u> <u>nominations to be complete before the meeting</u>. Nomination forms will be available from the Principal's PA at the High School. Please return the completed forms to the school by the morning of the **10th February 2025**.

The Governing Body of Stirling High School consists of the following members: 9 parent members elected by parents of learners (pupils) at the school; 3 educator (teacher) members elected by members of the school staff; 1 non-educator staff member elected by the non-teaching staff members at the school; 3 learner members elected by the elected Representative Council of Learners; and the Principal. You will note that parent members form the majority of the governing body. We are currently short of three parent members for 2025.

Please note that the regulations for the election of parent members of the Governing Body does **not** make provision for a proxy vote.

A parent whose name is not on the register may not vote or stand as a school governor, so **please check the parent voters' roll** which will be available from the front office from **21st January 2025**.

The election meeting should not take long and, even if a ballot is held, should not demand too much of your time.

The progress of Stirling High School depends on the Governing Body, who need parents who will work for the school and its best interests. <u>Having further skills in</u> <u>directions such as law, financing, building, engineering, labour relations,</u> <u>financial procurement, human relations and others would be a bonus.</u>

I look forward to working with the new members of the Governing Body as we strive to provide even better facilities, better teaching, and the best possible education for the pupils in our care, not only now, but in future years as well.

I therefore urge parents to attend the nomination and election meeting on **Tuesday 11th February at 17H30.**

Please note that the regulations governing the election require that there be a quorum of 15% of the number of parents on the roll. Should there not be a quorum then the meeting will not proceed and will be postponed to Tuesday 18th February at 17H30. At that meeting a quorum will not be required. Please accept this notice as a formal reminder of both meetings. We will endeavor to post a reminder on the Quickparent App. as an additional reminder of both meetings.

Yours sincerely

D. H. PRIOR PRINCIPAL

(ELECTION OFFICER: Mr R. Harris)