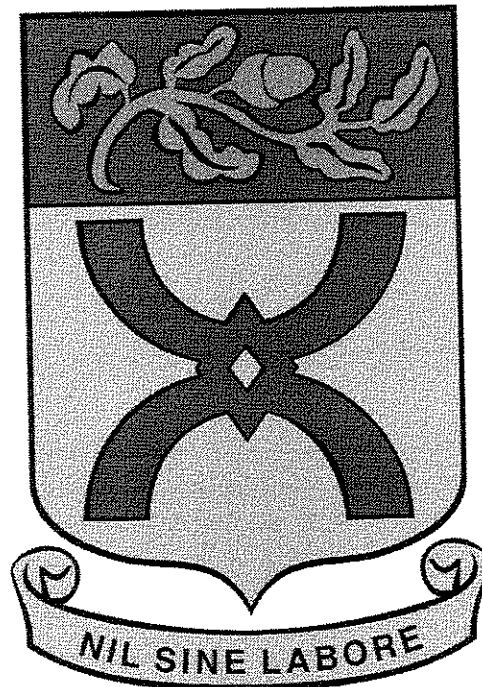


A.F. LOUW PRIMARY SCHOOL



LANGUAGE POLICY

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LANGUAGE POLICY

1. Introduction

This document is the language policy of A. F. LOUW PRIMARY SCHOOL. The language policy has been drafted in accordance with the provisions of the Constitution of South Africa, Act 108 of 1996; the South African Schools Act, Act 84 of 1996 ('SASA'); the National Education Policy Act, Act 27 of 1996; applicable provincial legislation on school education; judgements of the South African courts; the International Convention on the Rights of the Child; the African Charter on the Rights and Welfare of Children; the Norms and Standards for Language Policy in Public Schools, 1997 (GN 1701 dated 19 December 1997) and the guidelines of the Pan South African Language Board.

2. Factors considered

In drafting this policy, the following factors have been considered:

- The interests of the learners
- The interests of the school community
- The interests of the community in which the school is located
- The capacity of the school
- The resources and staff available to the school
- International best practice with regard to class sizes and language in education, with specific reference to the importance of mother tongue education

3. Teaching and examination

All teaching and the taking of tests and examinations shall occur in the school's medium/media of instruction.

4. Policy on medium of instruction

The school is a parallel-medium institution.

The media of instruction are AFRIKAANS or ENGLISH from Grade R to Grade 7.

The language of teaching and learning is either Afrikaans Home Language or English Home Language.

Upon first application for admission to the school, parents shall be required to choose a medium of instruction for their child. This will remain their language of instruction for their time at A.F.Louw Primary School.

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5. Promotion of multilingualism

The school promotes multilingualism by also presenting Afrikaans and English as fully-fledged language subjects at the school besides the medium/media of instruction.

This occurs as follows:

Either Afrikaans Eerste Addisionele Taal or English First Additional Language is selected as the second language of instruction.

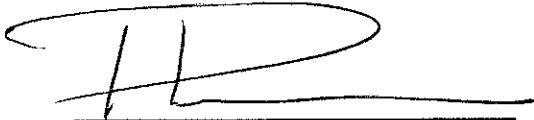
Languages offered as fully-fledged subjects:

- Parallel-medium school:
- Afrikaans or English as Home Language
- Afrikaans or English as First Additional Language

Every educator at the school takes reasonable steps to inform learners on the importance of multilingualism, and to promote respect for other languages besides the home language and/or medium of instruction.

Date of Review: January 2026

Signed at Stellenbosch on this 30th day of January 2025.



NAME: Hayward Pietersen

CHAIRPERSON



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PRINCIPAL

