



DEPARTMENT OF BASIC EDUCATION

NATIONAL SCHOOL NUTRITION PROGRAMME BEST SCHOOLS AND DISTRICT AWARDS RECOGNISING EXCELLENCE IN THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE SCHOOL FEEDING PROGRAMME 2018/19

Since 2010, the Department of Basic Education (DBE) through National School Nutrition Programme Best Schools Awards (NSNP) have been recognizing excellence, innovation and the dedication of districts and schools in the successful implementation of the programme in implementation school feeding programme.

The NSNP Awards are the platform to celebrate the dedication and hard work of key role players such the School Management Teams, Educators, Volunteer Food Handlers and School Governing Bodies for their daily contribution to the success of the programme and showcasing good practices with others.

The Department wishes to thank all schools and districts that participated in the past and once more invite 'ALL' schools and Districts to participate in the 2018/19 Awards.

AWARDS PROFILE

The NSNP Best Schools Awards comprises of two (2) categories:

Category 1: Best School

Award description: The award recognizes excellence in the daily provision of nutritious meals to learners.

Scope: This Award target Public Primary, Secondary and Special public schools that participate in the NSNP.

Criteria for selection: The successful schools must meet the following criteria:

- i) Meet or exceed in the NSNP general implementation guidelines or standards/ in providing nutritious meals for learners;
- ii) Evidence of innovation and creativity in the programme implementation;
- iii) Promote internal and external Stakeholders' participation including non-government organization for the success implementation of the NSNP;



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- iv) NSNP beneficiaries/learners engagement (Learner Representative Council involvement in Secondary, learners feedback system);
- v) Promote school food gardens and
- vi) Nutrition Education in school communities to improve the eating habits and lifestyles of learners and parents (Nutrition Week, World Food Day Celebrations).
- vii) Adherence to food safety principles- Certificate of Acceptability (CoA) issued by Municipalities (Hygienic/clean preparation and storage facilities, Food Handlers who uphold personal hygiene and are committed to serving learners);
- viii) The school has an NSNP Committee that keeps orderly records and coordinates activities of the programme and Application of "Batho Pele" principles to ensure success implementation of the NSNP (provide evidence);
- ix) Functional School Based Support Teams to improve learning and teaching activities.

NB: What makes your school different from other schools in the area

Category 2: Best District

Award description: The award recognizes excellence in the implementation of the NSNP in the targeted schools to enhance learning capacity and improve access to education. **Scope:** This award target all Education Districts.

Criteria for selection: The successful district must meet the following criteria:

- i) Demonstrate a positive attitude and a clear understanding of the NSNP and initiate projects towards improving programme implementation;
- ii) Demonstrate a positive attitude and a clear understanding of the NSNP and initiate projects towards improving programme implementation;
- iii) Display of leadership qualities to ensure the intergration of the NSNP with other District Education Programmes promoted and successfully implemented;
- iv) Efficient and effective schools' monitoring and support systems to ensure daily provision of nutritious meals to leaners (i.e. non-feeding risk management plan, consequences management, etc);
- v) Monitoring system for food qualities delivered to schools – Working with DoH for sampling and testing of food items, food manufactures visits).
- vi) Real-time reporting systems from school - district to provincial level.
- vii) Provide quality reports at all levels (circuit, district and province).



- viii) Capacity building workshops plan in place and conducted for the NSNP stakeholders (SMTs, NSNP Committees, VFHs, School Governance, etc)
- ix) Collaborate with other Government Departments and Non-Governmental Institutions to promote Nutrition Education in school – Food Safety teams in place, Food Gardens Initiatives, Nutrition Week Celebration, Milk Day, Deworming, response team in place and active, School Food Gardens, UIF, Deworming, Health & Hygiene, etc) .
- x) Establish Food safety teams.
- xi) Establish and manage NSNP data management system - databases on schools' cooking facilities, equipment and utensil, kitchens with Certificate of Acceptability (CoA), Service providers.
- xii) Provide evidence of learner-focused service delivery within the last 2 years to promote "Batho Pele" Principles. (not clear).

ENTRIES

- i) The entry/ nomination forms can be collected at your nearest Education Department offices (district/circuit/area office);
- ii) Completed entry/nomination forms must be delivered to your nearest district/ circuit/ area office of the Department of Education.
- iii) Closing date of all provincial entries (schools and districts) at National Office, Pretoria is 19 October 2018.
- iv) Owing to the expected high volume of nominations, only schools meeting ALL the requirements will be considered.
- v) Provincial entries (schools and districts) submitted after the closing date will not be considered.

ADJUDICATION

- i) The final adjudication at national office shall be conducted by the committee appointed by the Department of Basic Education.
- ii) The committee may conduct site visit to verify the submitted information.
- iii) The adjudicating of the nominations/entries shall be completed within 15 days after the closing date.
- iv) All entrants shall be given feedback of the adjudication process.

For ENQUIRIES PLEASE CALL: Ms Mmapula Mohube 012 357 3414/4046/3420



APPLICABLE AWARDS

The NSNP Best Schools Awards will be awarded as follows:

Best Schools:



The Tiger Brands Foundation (TBF) will donate a prize for the winning school to the value of R450 000 plus introduction of

in-school breakfast feeding programme for a minimum of three years trophies and certificates to **ALL** participating schools and Districts.



The Department of Basic Education will award position two and three with cooking equipment and eating utensils.



Best Districts:

- The foundation will also sponsor the winning District with office equipment to the value of R50 000
- The Department will award position two with (2) Laptops (1) printers and (1) digital camera.
- The third position will receive 1 laptop, (1) printer and (1) digital camera.

Overall winner

- The Tiger Brands Foundation (TBF) will donate a prize for the winning school to the value of R450 000 plus introduction of in-school breakfast feeding programme for a minimum of three years trophies and certificates to **ALL** participating schools and Districts.
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AWARDS CEREMONY

The Department Basic Education shall host the Awards Ceremony in April 2019 at the winning Province. All nominated schools will be invited to the ceremony



SCHOOL NOMINATION/ENTRY FORM:

The completed entry form with the motivation (maximum of one A4 page accompanied with district profile file (with evidence/supporting material preferably DVD) should be submitted at your nearest district/circuit/area office of Department of Education.

Note:

Province: _____

District: _____ Circuit/area office: _____

School Name: _____

Quintile: _____

School Physical address: _____

School telephone number: (_____)

Cell: _____

Fax number: (_____)

School email address: _____

SCHOOL PRINCIPAL NAME:

SIGNATURE:

DATE:



Motivation (maximum of one A4 page):

Explain in your own words (in English), the reason why your school should be considered for the NSNP Best School Awards; describe how your school goes above and beyond the expected when implementing the NSNP; Describe the school relationship with other community structures and provide list of your schools' needs such as cooking equipment and eating utensils.

Note:

Principal Signature: _____





GENERAL ELIGIBILITY CRITERIA:

- i) The closing date for entries at National Office, Pretoria is 28 September 2018. No late entries will be considered.
- ii) Previous winners (position 1) are not eligible for the competition for a period of 2 years from the year of winning.
- iii) Nomination forms must be filled in correctly and in detail with as much information as possible to assist the evaluation process. Nominations not meeting the criteria will be disqualified.
- iv) All forms must be accompanied by the profile file (evidence/supporting material i.e. photos, preferably DVD and motivation).
- v) Shortlisted nominees will be visited unannounced for the verification of profiles submitted.
- vi) All nomination forms to be submitted or delivered to the Provincial Education Department Office.
- vii) The decision of the Adjudication Committee is final and no correspondence will be entered into.



DISTRICT NOMINATION/ENTRY FORM:

The completed entry form with the motivation (maximum of one A4 page accompanied with district profile file (with evidence/supporting material preferably dvd) should be submitted at your nearest district/circuit/area office of Department of Education.

Please fill (in English) in the details of the district nominated in the space below:

Province: _____

District: _____

District Director: _____

Director office number: _____

Cell: _____

Fax number: _____

District Director: _____

DISTRICT STAMP:



Motivation (maximum of one A4 page):

Explain in your own words, the reason why district should be considered for the NSNP Best District Awards; Describe how your district goes above and beyond when executing its role and responsibilities; Describe the district relationship with other community structures (i.e. Municipalities, Agriculture, Public works rural development etc); Describe why your district should win; How prize money will be used.

District Director's Signature: _____



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