



ST DUNSTAN'S COLLEGE FOUNDATION

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East Rand School's partner to enrich youth education

Ululating crowds, jubilation and a sense of celebration – that is the scene that met Minister of Basic Education, Angie Motshekga on her arrival at Unity Secondary School in Daveyton. The public school held an assembly recently to formalise the five-year partnership with independent school, St Dunstan's College, based in Benoni.

The partnership includes co-operation in sports, academics and in cultural activities, which Moshekga believes "will enable learners to grow and develop in an enabling environment that will teach them to genuinely believe that South Africa belongs to all who live in it." Mr James Makhubu, Headmaster of Unity Secondary School and newly appointed member of the St Dunstan's Council, expressed his excitement at the prospect of St Dunstan's high academic standard influencing his students and the revival of their sports programmes.

St Dunstan's has created a highly successful Saturday School Programme, which ensures students receive the highest quality tutoring and guidance. In addition to enriching the youth, they have established the St Dunstan's Educational Support Centre. The centre provides practical assistance for new teachers that enhance teacher development, which has been identified by the government as one of the main priorities for 2011.

Mr Alan Thompson, Rector of St Dunstans College, hopes to generate interest and grow this partnership model throughout the independent school sector. "We are trying to create a genuine private-public school partnership that transcends patriarchal 'outreach' and genuinely builds a community between the children of Benoni and Daveyton."

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He says St Dunstan's is passionately committed to the partnership with Unity Secondary School and agrees with Minister Motshekga's belief that by 'working together we can do more to achieve quality basic education'.