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The South African Council for Educators (SACE) is appalled at the video circulating on social media showing two learners attacking and physically assaulting a teacher in full view of members of the community.

Whilst we condemn and act decisively in dealing with teachers involving themselves in such conduct, Council feels something drastic needs to be done in stopping learners from conducting themselves in such a manner and therefore calls on both the School Governing Body and the Department of Education to act decisively in disciplining these learners and meet out the harshest punishment.

Council believes that teachers need support, protection and respect at all times and therefore strongly condemns such conduct by learners.

Council is working hard to professionalize the profession and therefore calls on the department of basic education to work on creating an environment befitting professionals by coming up with measures to protect teachers at work

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