



MEDIA STATEMENT

SACE IS SADDENED BY RECURRING INCIDENTS OF VIOLENCE IN SCHOOLS

The South African African Council for Educators (SACE) condemns the shooting of the Principal from Msunduzi Finishing School this morning in KwaZulu-Natal province.

It's is alleged that an irate man armed with a gun entered Msunduzi Secondary School (Finishing School) threatening to shoot his wife who is a teacher at the same school. The Principal, Mr Sibiya tried to calm down the gunman and blocked him from going beyond the reception area. The gunman shot Mr Sibiya twice. Sadly, Mr Sibiya succumbed to his gunshot injuries and passed away.

In another situation, the Deputy Principal's car was burned by a learner in the same province. SACE calls on the local authorities, parents to communities to deal with the increasing violence against our teachers. The rights and dignity of teachers must be respected at all times because their rights are human rights too.

With sadness, SACE wishes to extend message of condolence to the Sibiya family on passing of our Esteemed Principal. We also send our message of support to our valued Deputy Principal. SACE will be visiting both families.

#HandsOffOurTeachers

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