

Youth invited to apply for Presidential Youth Employment Initiative

Applications for Phase IV of the Presidential Youth Employment Initiative (PYEI) in the Basic Education sector have opened today and will close on 16 October 2022.



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In a statement on Sunday, the Department of Basic Education announced that Phase IV will offer job opportunities to 255,100 youth across the nine provinces in around 20,000 public ordinary schools and schools for learners with special education needs (LSEN).

“Phase IV comes as the country's youth have reaped the benefits of more than 850,000 job opportunities coupled with training that was offered throughout this initiative. The applications will officially open on 26 September 2022 and close on 16 October 2022. This gives all the youth three weeks for applications,” the department said.

All the youth aged 18-34 years residing within a radius of 5km from a school, are requested to register on SAYouth.mobi and apply for the Education Assistant and General School Assistant job opportunities.

“There is no cost to the youth for accessing SAYouth.mobi, as the site is zero-rated. There will be no applications at schools,” the department said.



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The opportunities have been distributed as follows among provinces:

Province	Allocation of job opportunities per PED 2023 for Phase IV
Eastern Cape	40,100
Free State	15,500
Gauteng	40,000
Kwazulu Natal	58,500
Limpopo	35,000
Mpumalanga	22,000
Northern Cape	7,000
North West	16,000
Western Cape	21,000
National Total	255,100

The department has requested youth to note that, according to the new case law, any person working with vulnerable people (learners and disabled people) needs to be vetted, hence for Phase IV this is a requirement for placement.

The department said that it will communicate more information on requirements for placement in the next media statement.

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