

## **KwaZulu Natal Mathematics Olympiads Results**

**FEMSSISA** produced Mathematics Olympiads for grades 1 – 12 for a select number of schools in KwaZulu Natal.

Olympiads are a key test of problem-solving ability which not only tests your ability to tackle the unknown, but tests your ability in mathematics, the ability to comprehend and solve complex problems. We thank all schools who entered this year. Our Olympiads are grade specific and we hope for your continued support into the future and beyond.

## A. Top Learners per Grade (Mathematics Olympiad only)

The Top learners per grade are listed below. This represents the learners with the highest marks for that grade specific Olympiad. The learners below will receive medals, discounted course fees on the Virtual School of Africa's problem-solving courses, and those highlighted in grey will receive cash prizes.

	Grade 1		
Position	Name	School	
1	Radebe Siyamthanda	Ebuta Junior Secondary School	
2	Zwezwe Minenhle	Ebuta Junior Secondary School	
3	Ndlovu Nomonde	Kenterton Primary School	
3	Nxumalo Kufeziwe	Sibomvu Primary School	
3	Mngadi Abenathi	Sibomvu Primary School	
3	Nombambo Kamvelihle	Khayelitsha J Primary	
3	Mkhize Balondwe	Ferdinand Primary	

	Grade 2		
Position	Name	School	
1	Ndwandwe Londeka	Inkosenhle Primary	
2	Mkhize Zamambo	Kenterton Primary School	
2	Noqwaka Zinhle	Gubhethuka Primary	
2	Mbele Junior	Umsinini Primary	
2	Manzini Ncamisile	Emasakeni Primary	



Grade 3		
Position	Name	School
1	Mgobhozi Thumekile	Gubhethuka Primary
1	Mthembu Slindokuhle	Kangikho Primary
1	Gebashe Lelomso	Nokhwezi Primary
2	Shabangu Melokuhle	Kangikho Primary
2	Mjuqu Olwami	Nokhwezi Primary

Grade 4			
Position	Name	School	
1	Zulu Kwanda	Mbandleni Primary	
2	Ncema Esihle	Kwagasa Primary	
2	Ngema Snqobile	Egugwini Primary	
3	Zulu Aphelele	Mbandleni Primary	
3	Mncwabe Asithandile	Nokhwezi Primary	
3	Khumalo Lethokuhle	Nondweni Primary	
3	Duma Kwanele	Susan Ngcobo Primary	
3	Kumalo Londiwe	Phumelelani Primary Scool	

	Grade 5		
Position	Name	School	
1	Gumbi Mahle	Mbandleni Primary	
2	Mlangeni Enzokuhle	Isibukosabasha Primary School	
2	Sibisi Luhlelwenkosi	Isibukosabasha Primary School	
2	Hadebe Amukela	Kwagasa Primary	
3	Bandile Nyawo	Mayakazi Primary	
3	Gumede, Langelihle	Bangibizo Primary	
3	Malanda, Ayabonga	Bangibizo Primary	
3	Mthembu Esethu	Mbandleni Primary	
3	Zulu Yoliswa	Mbandleni Primary	

	Grade 6		
Position	Name	School	
1	Nxumalo Mnenisi	Mbandleni Primary	
2	Jele Azamahle	Mbandleni Primary	
2	Ntshangase Valentine	Mbandleni Primary	
2	Mantengu Nothando	Sibululwane Primary School	
3	Zikhali Asimthande	Mseneli Primary	
3	Mhlongo Luyanda	Ohlahla Primary	



3	Mngomezulu Amahle	Sibululwane Primary School
3	Thwala Zimbili	Siyawela Primary
3	Nkabinde Ayanda	Siyawela Primary

Grade 7		
Position	Name	School
1	Dumisa Lungalethu	Mbandleni Primary
2	Mthembu Slindokuhle	Kangikho Primary
2	Dlongolo Meleokuhle	Nondweni Primary
3	Shabangu Melokuhle	Kangikho Primary
3	Nsele Olwethu	Monzi-Uloa Primary
3	Mthethwa Sxolile	Monzi-Uloa Primary
3	Mokoena Vuyo	Siyawela Primary
3	Mthembu Wonderboy	Siyawela Primary
3	Syamthanda Sbiya	Holinyoka Primary

	Grade 8		
Position	Name	School	
1	Mdletshe Palesa	Mfinyeli High School	
2	Masondo Thandoluhle	Luthayi High	
3	Nkosi Thembeka	Mfinyeli High School	
4	Mahaye Alwande	Mfinyeli High School	
4	Ndwandwe Asiphile	Mathangetshitshi High	
5	Nkomo Ray	Umzilikazi Secondary	
5	Magwaza Olwethu	Mathangetshitshi High	

Grade 9		
Position	Name	School
1	Zondo Sbongokuhle	Gqombibisi School
2	Msiya Slindile	Elwazi High
2	Ntanzi Andiswa	Elwazi High
3	Nombaba Siphosethu	Etembeni Combined Primary School
3	Coka Amahle	Umzilikazi Secondary
3	Mjoli Ziyanda	Elwazi High
3	Radebe Amanda	Elwazi High
3	Shabane Yamkela	Kwafica High School
3	Hlengwa Aphelele	Mdlangaswa High
3	Mbatha Smangele	Ndela Secondary



	Grade 10		
Position	Name	School	
1	Ngcobo Kwenzokuhle	Nomavimbela High School	
2	Makhanya Akhona	Nomavimbela High School	
3	Mhlongo Skhona	Gqombibisi School	
3	Ndlovu Mandisa	Nomavimbela High School	
4	Hadebe Fezokuhle	Mpumelelo High School	
5	Myaka Aphelele	Mabaso Secondary	
5	Mntungwa Sanelisiwe	Mabaso Secondary	

	Grade 11		
Position	Name	School	
1	Zungu Mukelisiwe	Nomavimbela High School	
2	Dlamini Ayabonga	Cabangokuhle High School	
2	Dladla Bhekithemba	Golozela Secondary	
2	Mdabe Neliswa	Nomavimbela High School	
3	Mthethwa Fisokuhle	Masibonisane High	
3	Nyembe Xolile	Mpumelelo High School	
4	Mngomezulu Nokubonga	Mfinyeli High School	
4	Ndlovu Aphilasande	Nomavimbela High School	

Grade 12		
Position	Name	School
1	Philasande Mvelase	Mabaso Secondary
2	Nxumalo Maqhawe	Gqombibisi School
3	Mthiyane Andile Nosihle	Masibonisane High
4	Meyiwa Sbonelo	Nomavimbela High School
4	Ngobese Andiswa	Mbongeni Secondary School
4	Gumede Andiswa	Mbongeni Secondary School
4	Ngubane Amahle	Nomavimbela High School
4	Gumede, Khethukuthula	Pongola Intermediate
4	Nyandeni, Lindokuhle	Pongola Intermediate
4	Thabede, Zikhethele	Pongola Intermediate



## **B.** Concluding Remarks

One of the most important objectives of an Olympiad is to identify talent. The Southern African countries have agreed on 8 levels of Mathematics. The 2 highest levels are concrete problem solving and abstract problem solving.

The performance in the 2024 Olympiads have shown encouraging results. Schools should not be disappointed if the results did not meet their expectations. They should rather see this as an opportunity to improve learners in the gaps identified.

The Foundation phase (Grade 1-3) in 2024 has performed worse than in 2023. Some of this is due to the fact that the format of the paper changed, as you see a higher percentage of learners receiving the participation category. Overall, it is still strong, as more than half the learners attained non-participation category status.

The senior primary phase (Grade 4 – 7) in 2024 has performed better than in 2023. Some of this is due to the fact that learners have a second year of exposure to the paper and are making use of the free support materials provided. Overall, 39% of learners received non-participation category in 2024 versus 31% in 2023.

The high school phase (Grade 8 – 12) in 2024 has performed significantly better than in 2023. Some of this is due to the fact that learners have a second year of exposure to the paper and are making use of the free support materials provided. **Overall, 26% of learners received non-participation category in 2024 versus 16% in 2023.** Grade 8 and Grade 9 results remain poor like other provinces in South Africa, and further investigation is needed.

## C. Important Dates to Diarise:

Registration Opens: 15 January 2024
Registration Closes: 21 July 2025

Olympiads are written: 4 August 2025 – 26 August 2025