

Motherwell Matric Results Analysis for the Class of 2024

Introduction

ZERi Africa extends heartfelt congratulations to the Class of 2024 for their remarkable achievements. This cohort has achieved the highest pass rate since the dawn of democracy, a testament to their perseverance and hard work in overcoming challenges, including the long-term effects of lockdown disruptions. Your determination has set a new standard of excellence.

To those learners who did not pass or need to rewrite certain subjects to further their studies—stay resilient. Failure often shapes stronger, wiser individuals. Honest reflection on the reasons for underperformance, coupled with a clear strategy for improvement, will position you for future success. Self-pity will not serve you, but self-assessment and action will.

This document provides insight into the matric results of Motherwell, enabling stakeholders to assess educational performance and identify lessons to improve outcomes for future learners. The goal is to enhance economic and social development, making Motherwell a thriving and economically vibrant community that benefits from Gqeberha's broader economic growth.

Overall Performance

Motherwell continues to perform commendably, achieving an 88.22% pass rate—a slight improvement of 0.19% from the previous year.

School Name	Position	Class of 2024 Pass Rate
Soqhayisa Secondary School	1	98.90%
Vulumzi Secondary School	2	98.33%
Ncedo Secondary School	3	94.74%
Motherwell High School	4	92.28%
Cingani High School	5	89.85%
Douglas Mbopa Secondary	6	85.12%
Masiphathisane Secondary School	7	84.42%
Ndyebo Secondary School	8	83.90%
James Jolobe Secondary School	9	83.33%

Coselelani Secondary School	10	78.87%
Mfesane Secondary School	11	74.22%

Highlights:

- **Vulumzi Secondary School** showed a significant improvement of 12% compared to 2023.
- **Douglas Mbopa Secondary School** experienced a 7% decline.
- A steady increase in the number of learners writing matric was observed, totalling 1,707 in 2024.
- The number of progressed learners rose by 48% compared to last year, contributing to the minimal overall improvement.

Gateway Subjects Performance

Performance in key subjects declined compared to 2023:

- **Accounting:** Dropped by 3% to 85%
- **Physical Sciences:** Dropped by 4% to 77%
- **Mathematics:** Dropped by 2% to 83%

Despite these drops, Motherwell outperforms national, provincial, and district averages in Mathematics and Accounting. However, Physical Sciences performance trails the district by 1%.

Concerns:

The number of learners enrolling in Mathematics, Physical Sciences, and Accounting remains below 20% over the past five years. This is alarming as these subjects are crucial for entering higher education programs linked to the motor manufacturing industry and emerging ICT and Fourth Industrial Revolution (4IR) sectors in Gqeberha. Addressing this issue requires urgent attention from schools, civil organizations, businesses, government, and other stakeholders.

Furthermore, although English pass rates exceed 98%, educators highlight that poor English proficiency remains a barrier to success in gateway subjects. This contradiction reflects broader challenges faced by township and rural schools nationwide.

Individual school results indicators are coming in due course

Call to Action

A collaborative effort is essential to tackle these challenges. Stakeholders must:

- Enhance support for Mathematics, Physical Sciences, and Accounting programs.
- Provide language development initiatives to improve English comprehension.
- Foster partnerships with local industries to create mentorship and resource-sharing opportunities.
- Mobilize community support to uplift educational outcomes.

Support from ZERi Africa

ZERi Africa is committed to supporting Motherwell's educational landscape by establishing the Motherwell Community Learning Space. This initiative will provide supplementary educational services such as study and homework support, extra classes in gateway subjects, career guidance, robotics and ICT training, and literacy programs. By fostering a collaborative environment for learners, parents, educators, and community members, the Learning Space aims to empower students with the skills and confidence necessary to excel academically and contribute to the region's socio-economic growth.

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By implementing robust M&E processes, ZERi Africa and its partners can ensure that the Motherwell Community Learning Space achieves its objectives and drives sustainable educational improvements for years to come.

Join us in prioritizing education as a community effort, giving every child the opportunity for an excellent learning experience and a brighter future.