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MEC MORWENG APPEALS TO COMMUNITIES NOT TO USE LEARNER TRANSPORT AS A BARGAINING TOOL FOR SERVICE DELIVERY

The MEC responsible for the North West Department of Community Safety and Transport Management, Wessels Morweng is appealing to communities not to use scholar transport as a bargaining tool during service delivery protests. The MEC's appeal follows disruptions at several schools in Kagisano Molopo Municipality where scholar transport busses were 'hijacked and forced to transport' protesting community members leaving learners stranded.

Allegedly the protesting community members forced both teachers and learners of Kgononyane Secondary School to vacate school premiss. Almost two thousand (2000) learners from five schools were affected and majority of these learners are beneficiaries of the scholar transport provided by the Department. MEC Morweng implores on communities to use alternative avenues to raise concerns than to deny learners opportunity to attend classes.

The situation is reported to have calm down and no disruptions was reported on Friday morning, the 25th of July 2025. Head of Department, Dr Hans Kekana has appealed to bus operators, parents and schools' management to inform the Department at once should there be any challenges faced by learners who rely on scholar transport.

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