REQUEST FOR COLLECTING RESEARCH DATA IN SCHOOLS WITHIN THE MPULUZI CIRCUIT.

I am presently registered with the University of South Africa for M.Ed. studies in philosophy of education. The title of my dissertation is as follows: A critical analysis of the learning culture of resilient schools within rural communities in Mpumalanga.

The aim of this letter is to ask you to please grant me the permission to conduct an empirical research in three selected high schools in the Mpuluzi circuit. These schools are the Mpuluzi and Rev S.A. Nkosi.

I intend to visit and observe the daily activities of these schools as from the 3 June 2002 and hope to terminate the study when a point of saturation is reached. Hopefully, it won’t be more than three months. All individuals and sites involved in this study will remain anonymous.

Hopefully the findings of this study will help to break the vicious circle of deterioration of the learning culture that has plagued the South African schools for a long time, especially in Mpumalanga and thus contribute to the revitalization of a healthy learning culture.

Yours faithfully

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