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Top 10 Blood Donation Schools in the Western Cape in 2023

Western Cape - 17 January 2024. The Western Cape Blood Service (WCBS) proudly acknowledges the remarkable efforts of the 103 high schools in the Western Cape for their contribution of 12 926 units of blood during 2023. The need for blood and blood products continue to increase annually, and it is therefore vital for the WCBS to increase the active donor base. The youth plays a vital role in the sustainability of the organisation, and that's why WCBS forge's good ties with educational institutions and set up blood donation clinics at their premises.

As we express our deepest appreciation to the high schools across the Western Cape, we also encourage and invite other schools to take part in the blood donation drives. High school learners can start donating blood at 16 years old. No parental consent is needed. Learners should, however, complete the POPIA form, and parents should sign this legal consent document to process information. WCBS urges high schools in the Western Cape to get in contact with them to either establish a blood donation clinic at their school or find out where the closest blood donation clinic is.

Thank you to these top 10 schools for their exceptional efforts in collecting the most units of blood in the Western Cape for 2023:

1. Outeniqua High School - 370 units
2. Protea Heights Academy - 318 units
3. Worcester Gymnasium - 276 units
4. Fish Hoek High School - 264 units
5. Emil Weder High School - 249 units
6. HTS Drostyd - 246 units
7. Settlers High School - 234 units
8. Bergvliet High School - 233 units
9. Langenhoven Gimnasium - 218 units
10. George High School - 194 units

“Thank you to all our superheroes at school for going the extra mile and helping us to collect 12 926 remarkable units of blood,” says Marike Carli, Public Relations Manager at WCBS.

For more information or to find your closest blood donation clinic, please visit www.wcbs.org.za, download the WCBS App, or send a WhatsApp to 060 549 7244.

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