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Motshekga: Edu dept should focus on teaching, not infrastructure procurement

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FILE: Minister of Basic Education Angie Motshekga addresses Gauteng's top achieving matriculants of 2016 at a school in Daveyton on 5 January 2017. Picture: Reinart Toerien/EWN

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JOHANNESBURG - Minister of Basic Education [Angie Motshekga](#) says her department should focus on teaching and not procurement and infrastructure.

Speaking as a member of the African National Congress's Social Transformation Committee, Motshekga says issues of school infrastructure should be handled by the Department of Public Works.

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Motshekga says it is important that her department is not burdened with these issues.

“Education should not play a central role in the implementation of infrastructure except for identifying where it needs infrastructure and developing a plan.”

