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CEO of MaraVest Gideon Van Niekerk.

Private education group is rapidly expanding

The Maragon Private School brand is expanding.

MaraVest Group Gideon van Niekerk made this announcement on 7 March.

Developments in Gauteng and the North West, puts the group on track to welcome 10 more schools to its 'platinum, titanium and gold school' initiatives under the Maragon brand.

The recent acquisition of Charterhouse Private Schools in Honeydew sees the establishment of a second premier brand focused on the Cambridge curriculum.

This means that MaraVest now incorporates two brands - Maragon (11 schools) and Charterhouse (two schools) - offering three curricula, the National School curriculum, Independent Examinations Board (IEB) curriculum, and Cambridge curriculum.

Maragon Private Schools was established 15 years ago by the Van Niekerk family with the vision of creating a learning environment to facilitate excellence in education.

The MaraVest Group - a ivate company investing in pre-primary, primary and high school education - was established in partnership with RMB Corvest. This allowed Mara-Vest to fast-track the group's goal of increasing its impact on education.

"We are excited about the road forward. As of 1 January this year, the MaraVest family consisted of 13 schools spanning Gauteng and the North West with plans firmly in place for continued growth," Van Niekerk explained.

"Thanks to MaraVest Group's partnership with the private equity company RMB Corvest, it is possible to reach more pupils, teachers and communities with world-class education based on Christian values."

Apart from the two Charterhouse schools, acquisitions were also secured in Pretoria East and Centurion with two more schools earmarked to receive support.

More announcements are expected in the week leading up to the official launch event at the Olympus School Campus in Pretoria East on