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## VISION

An innovative institution recognised for training academic and technical excellence, responsive to social and economic needs of our communities

## MISION

A rural TVET College that offers quality education and training that will equip our students with essential skills to contribute to the development of our communities for South African economic growth.

## VALUES

- Ubuntu
- Service excellence
- Professionalism
- Integrity
- Sustainable partnerships

## LONG TERM STRATEGIC GOAL

To provide students with quality education and training that responds to community needs.

## QUALITY STATEMENT

King Hintsa TVET College is committed to offer a quality education and training that will equip our students with the essential skills to contribute to the development of our communities.

We undertake to continuously improve the training services and programs that we provide to satisfy our customer's needs; this include commitment to comply with the requirements of ISO 9001:2015.

# CHAIRPERSON'S DESK



**COLLEGE COUNCIL CHAIRPERSON  
PROF. Z.J. NDEVU**

As we venture into 2022, we should reflect on the experience of the past year. The adverse of Covid-19 pandemic has thought us many lessons on the importance of good health as a prerequisite to work productivity and student success. A healthy college community is the bases upon which an economically viable society can be built. With the pandemic changing the way institutions of education such as King Hintsa College work, interact and engage with students and staff, the technology that has been integral to our transformation these past years has allowed us to adapt seamlessly to the new normal.

Education all over the world is undergoing unprecedented changes, knowledge is no longer constrained by time and space, and it has expanded beyond the college lecture rooms, workshops and campuses. The need for continuous mentoring, monitoring and evaluation of the learning space needs to be regularly done to assist with the provision of the required intellectual stimulation to both college employees and students. In a college environment such as King Hintsa, how much you know matters less if the application of the acquired knowledge doesn't translate to a critical contribution in addressing the socio-economic needs of society. Technical application of skills and knowledge by college graduate is where excellence in present day education lies.

As part of our contribution to nation building, we need to be innovative in curriculum design that focuses on value orientation as a primary goal aimed at grooming our students into ethical and principled leaders of tomorrow, whose thoughts and actions are deeply embedded in the values and culture of servant leadership as espoused by our forefather and more specifically uKumkani Hintsa whose leadership was centered around the development of the people.

College education is not an accumulation of facts only, it is preparatory school for life challenges and possible solutions. It is knowledge induced with wisdom and ethics, it develops the personality of the students, shapes their character and develop their mental skills to help them to cope with problems and challenges of the complex world of today. In 2022, one of the most important character traits that needs to be ingrained is attitude of service to others before self. Wishing you all the best for 2022.

Regards,  
Prof. Z.J. Ndevu  
Council Chairperson





COLLEGE PRINCIPAL  
MS NOLUTHANDO BALFOUR

# WELCOME NOTE BY THE COLLEGE PRINCIPAL

It is a great pleasure to welcome you all at King Hints TVET College. We feel privileged to lead such an exciting and vibrant College, which offers great opportunities for the young people of the Eastern Cape particularly the community of Amathole District Municipality servicing both Mquma and Mbhashe Local Municipalities. It is our goal to make each and every student to succeed. We offer our students the best possible opportunities to become confident, thoughtful young people who are prepared for any future challenges, in an exciting and increasingly global world.

From the moment a new King Hints TVET College student joins our College community we want them to feel a sense of happiness and belonging, as this is essential to their future success. Our superb facilities and dedicated staff will enable us to deliver our programmes in an environment that is intimate, friendly and attuned to every specific educational need. We keep our classes and tutorial groups relatively small to create an atmosphere where you can feel relaxed and comfortable, which allows learners to really get to know their lecturers.

At King Hints TVET College, we are very proud of our caring, inclusive ethos where we set high standards and expectations for our students to achieve academically we expect students to focus on their studies and adhere to college policies and processes for them to perform better. Your future is in your hands make it brighter by taking full responsibility of your career. The college participates in numerous activities in the Sector to identify different talents, and to develop and mould students holistically for future endeavours.

We assure you that King Hints TVET College is an Institution worthy of your serious attention and consideration, and I welcome your interest in our exciting College. It gives me great pleasure to invite

you to seek an appointment with relevant college officials to assist you and give the necessary support for your educational needs. I am confident that King Hints TVET College can assist you in this most important decision.

It is very saddening & disheartening that the college lost lives of the students from different Campuses in 2021, we always put their families and college family in prayers. May Their Souls Rest In Peace & Rise In Eternal Glory. Psalm 147:3 "He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds

Lastly we are living in the new normal with the emergence of the COVID 19, By now, you are aware that the World Health Organization(WHO) has identified the omicron variant as a "variant of concern," which spreads so fast to infect others Therefore compliance to health regulations is non-negotiable, SANITIZE, WEAR A MASK, SOCIAL Distancing. the college is trying all level best to "SAVE LIVES & SAVE THE ACADEMIC YEAR" The research analysis advise that the variant is powerless to the vaccinated citizens, take responsibility and avoid to be a variant carrier do it for yourself, your family and your community. You will not regret; your health is a basic need.

We wish you all the best for 2022 in the college!

College Principal

N Balfour

# FAREWELL MADAM BALFOUR



It was a teary affair on the 24<sup>th</sup> February when The College hosted a send-off ceremony for Ms Balfour at the Admin Centre as she was going into retirement following a long career in the Education Sector. Ms B. (as she is fondly known)'s long journey began in 1981 and ended on a good note in 2022, adding up to 41 years of uninterrupted service. Ms Balfour had joined King Hints TVET as a College Principal in 2015 as The Accounting Officer/Principal. Various speakers from Council Chairperson, Regional Manager, Colleagues, Staff, Students and Social Partners all sang praises to "Mamtshawe" about her being a fierce female leader in a male dominated space of leadership. Madam Balfour was amongst the first female principals in the TVET Sector and the ONLY female principal in Eastern Cape Region. Her motherly warm-hearted side was amongst the popular qualities that kept resurfacing as some speakers even went on to refer to her as "mama".

Ms Balfour pledged to continue giving support to the College even beyond the 28<sup>th</sup> February 2022 (official last day in service). The Balfour family also committed to keep relations with the College even though Ms B was no longer Principal, and they requested permission to plant a tree in one of the King Hints TVET College sites. This would serve as a symbol of a strong, long-lasting legacy and relationship between Balfour Family and King Hints TVET College.

Mr T.E. Ntlangano was appointed to as Acting- Principal until such time that the Department finds a suitable candidate to fill in the shoes on a permanent basis. We wish Ma'am B nothing but relaxation and enjoyment as she begins her new retirement journey.



# ENTREPRENEURSHIP PROGRAMME

The entrepreneurship programme is focusing on the identification, development, promotion, and nurturing of the students' entrepreneurial capacity and building of entrepreneurial mind-set. It is intended to ensure that students are more successful and engaged in business activities to enable them to be economically active during and after their time in the college. This is to ensure that those students with business ideas are supported to commercialize that idea into operational profitable business and ensure continuous support of existing student businesses with different interventions based on the needs analysis outcomes of each company. This programme is meant to ensure that the college assist in enabling young entrepreneurs or studentpreneurs to maximize their business potential, make profits and grow their businesses during their time and onwards.

This is done through the following services that are offered:

- Conduct entrepreneurship awareness workshops in campuses.
- Provision of structured and non-structured training programmes mostly focusing on the theoretical aspects of business development.
- Business Coaching and Mentoring mostly focusing on the practical aspects of businesses development.
- Facilitation of access to financing or funding opportunities.
- Assist students with business compliance (CIPC and Tax registrations, BEE certificate, CSD, etc.).
- Entrepreneurship Development Partnerships to support student entrepreneurship initiatives – financial and sustainable partnerships.

## ENTREPRENEURSHIP DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES (2022)

### Train the Trainer Entrepreneurship Workshop

The training was offered through the strategic sustainable partnership with WSU, where a facilitator, Prof. T. Ncanywa, from WSU conducted the three-day training to train 09 members of the College staff made up of 01 from Research and Innovation Unit, 02 from Occupational Programmes, and 06 lecturers from four different campuses. The course

consists of 12 modules which are practically delivered to ensure that the attendees are able to facilitate the course for students. The following are the 12 course modules that we completed and were co-facilitated by all of us:

- Module 1 - Ideation:
- Module 2 - Opportunity Development
- Module 3 - Planning and Implementation
- Module 4 - Marketing 1
- Module 5 - Strategic Management and finding starting capital
- Module 6 - Managing Finances
- Module 7 - Bookkeeping 1
- Module 8 - Overcoming Barriers
- Module 9 - Bookkeeping 2
- Module 10 - Marketing 2
- Module 11 - Canvas and Business Plan
- Module 12 - Registering the business

The modules are aligned to build up to the development of a business plan.



*Delegates at the Train the Trainer Workshop*



*Train the Trainer Workshop in East London*

# COSACSA PROVINCIAL TRACK AND FIELD GAMES

On the 05<sup>th</sup> March 2022 COSACSA Provincial Games invited all the 08 College of the Eastern Cape, to partake in the athletic event that was held at Matatiele in Cedarville Stadium.

This competition was hosted so as to enable the Province to select a team that will partake in the National event. The EC Colleges were competing against each other, with everyone wanting to be the part of the team that would go on to represent the province at the National Event that will be held in Limpopo. Around 23 of the students made it into the Provincial team. They will go on to fly the flag of the Province and that of King Hintsa TVET. The event is scheduled for the beginning of April. We wish them the best of luck. Go make us proud Gallants!!



*Team King Hintsa at Provincial Games*



# REASONS TO BE PROUD

We linked up with one of our gallants, Khanyisa Mpotulo and this is what she had to say about her journey to success....

## **Build-up**

"My name is Kanyisa Mpotulo, from Komga in the Eastern Cape. After matric I worked for a construction company, that's where I developed some interest in Engineering but at the time I had never thought of studying engineering until I got some motivation from my brothers who also studied Civil and Building Construction at a Public TVET College. I studied (construction planning, construction materials, construction plant and equipment, construction supervision and majored in Masonry) NCV Level 2-4; that's where I got the basics on how construction Industry works. I then developed more interest and some motivation from Lecturers at another TVET College to study further.

After Level 4 I enrolled at King Hintsa TVET College. I chose King Hintsa TVET College because I believe it's the best College in engineering studies. My love for engineering grew because all of a sudden Engineering became more interesting to me. I then studied building Administration, Building Construction, also studied at Chongqing City Management College School of Culture & Tourism (China) a course in Environmental arts and Design. I chose Engineering studies (civil and building to be specific).

Whilst still at King Hintsa College, I was one of the privileged student that was given a chance by King Hintsa TVET College and its partners to go study in China.

## **Chines Experience**

From our Departure in OR Tambo International we met other students from various Colleges. The flight took 12 to 14 hours, we arrived to Shenzhen Airport which was so beautiful and we were welcomed by some officials, the weather was extremely hot. We then took another flight to Chongqing Airport. On the arrival at school we showered, then we were served Mc Donald's as a welcome treat.

The weather in Chongqing was not different from the one in Shenzhen. We rested and on the following day we were showed around the College. At the time we were the only students at school, as we arrived during holidays. The following day we were taken to the market and we also went to the bank for bank cards and SIM cards registration. Some of the Chinese people were shocked to see black people and some were afraid of us.

It was difficult to communicate with them and we had to install translator on our phones, and some of the online shopping apps which are used to buy goods. Transport – It's amazing how Chinese

manage their time and how everything is organised. Technology- Must say it's amazing how almost everything is done using your phone, for example you may go for shopping just with your phone and still be able to purchase for everything you want.

All in all, we were warmly welcomed even though it was not easy to adapt to the Environment (weather, food) the school officials were always available to assist. I learned environmental Arts and Design, we designed some house plans through AutoCAD, 3DMAX. Landscaping, Garden Design and introduction to Chinese language. We also learned about Chinese Culture.

## **Covid-19 nightmare**

This became frustrating as covid-19 started, it was totally frustrating because we were far from home and acknowledging that there is a virus that kills was really depressing, sometimes I felt like talking to my mother all day long but it was not easy at China six hours ahead than SA, one would feel like chatting with their families more especially during the time, being on Quarantine and having to see the whole busy City full of people on shut down.

I really can't explain but out of all that trauma we had all the support I can imagine. Daily checks, assessment to do and played some games during free times. We always wore our masks and kept a social distance as much possible.

Being a female in a male dominated field

Being a female in the construction industry is challenging because people always think work is done by men it's impossible to be done by women but it's not always the case because some of the work yes they may be hard but we ladies can handle.

I would advise students to follow any career field they wish for but if one could wish to go for engineering I would definitely give them a big yes as it's an interesting field, for instance imagine a Country or City without buildings, and if one wants building they have to be known as Architects, Geotechnical Engineer, Quantity Survey etc. one needs to love or be passionate about engineering studies so they could build a building or work for well-known companies and be part of designed structure in history.

## **To Infinity and beyond**

I am currently working at Gaza Construction, I work as a Construction work supervisor and Office Administrator assistant. I look forward to spreading my wings to greater heights and owning my own company that will employ female engineers in the future.





# 2022 STUDENT ORIENTATION KICKS OFF ON A HIGH NOTE

“When you get this opportunity, remember the people that did not get the same opportunity” These were the words uttered by Deputy Principal: Registrations, Mr TE Ntlangano in his opening remarks at the Student Orientation held at the Dutywa Campus Hall on Tuesday 1st February 2022.

Mr Ntlangano was addressing the students on behalf of College Principal, Ms Balfour who could not attend due to other work commitments. Deputy Principal, highlighted the importance of ensuring that the students finish the course within the designated time as the College is also Monitored and Evaluated by its throughput rate in terms of performance management. He further encouraged the students to focus on their studies and avoid getting caught up in social activities like partying and nightlife in general.

The new students were being welcomed and familiarised with College culture and environment. Some of the returning (old) students were also in attendance. The Campus staff were introduced by Campus Management Team and the different programmes were explained. Amongst those in attendance were: Student Support Services Manager whose role was explaining the student policies and repercussions thereof, he then further went on to tap into bursary opportunities and the processes involved; Research and Innovations Manager focused on encouraging the students to become entrepreneurs and joining the College Entrepreneurship Programme and College Nurse together with Higher Health Campus Health & Wellness Coordinator who focused on student health and wellness matters.

The rest of the orientation events are scheduled to take place as follows:

Willowvale Campus- 08/02/2022

Teko Campus Campus- 09/02/2022

Centane Campus- 10/02/2022



*Mr TE Ntlangano (DP: Registration) addressing the students at the orientation in Dutywa Campus*



*Students at the first 2022 Orientation in Dutywa Campus*





# KNOW YOUR COLLEAGUES

Meet: Mr Dumisa Bonga

I was born in a small town called Mqanduli in the Eastern Cape. I did my junior and high school in that town. I then went to University of Fort Hare to study LLB after 4 years I graduated. I did 6 months of law school in East London School for Legal practice. Consequent to that I was head hunted by Office of the FAIS Ombudsman in Pretoria and became their Case Management intern for a fixed term contract of 1 year. I left Pretoria and went to King Williams Town to complete my articles of clerkship. I was hired by a n old reputable law firm called Squire Smith and Laurie attorneys for 1 year 3 months. After completing my articles and writing board exams I then became a lawyer.

My passion of assisting young people in acquiring skills in high demand landed me in skills development sector. In 2018 I was appointed by King Sabatha Dalindyebo TVET College as their learnership/placement officer for NSF 3 years. My stint at KSD TVET COLLEGE ended when I was appointed by King Hintsa TVET College as their project coordinator for Occupational programmes.

I am currently studying postgraduate Diploma in Project management with Mancosa.





# PHOTO GALLERY FAREWELL TO MADAM BALFOUR

