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Message from the Principal: MS DP Lehoko



I PD Lehoko, the Principal of Vuselela TVET, would like to send heart-felt greetings to all college staff at all levels; students at all learning sites, their parents and guardians. The College Council under the chairmanship of Mr Tshediso Ramphele, gave me a sincere welcome as I became one with Vuselela TVET College and have begun my strategic leadership and stewardship of the institution. I shall always be thankful for my God-given family which is a core support structure that continuously urge me to perform to the best of my abilities.

It would be a grave mistake not to thank the senior managers who took turns in keeping this institution afloat during times of dire need; Mr Danie Smith, Mr Tshepo Ngcobo and Ms Mororiseng Nyathi and every man and woman who left the comfort of their usual positions to put the college needs first. Ke a leboga.

Central to the expectations of Department of Higher Education and Training following my appointment is:

- **Student Access**
- **Student Success through the implementation of Teaching and Learning Plans, SSS plans**
- **Financial Management**
- **Human Capital management**
- **Governance support**

The promise we make as a college, to the Minster of Higher Education & Training through Strategic Planning, must be a promise we keep. Managing, monitoring, evaluating and reporting has to be a norm in quarterly reporting of credible and accurate figures. Leading and managing an institution is not a one-man-show but a teamwork of interdependent organs and interrelated systems forming and organization that benefits the immediate community and addresses SA Skills drive to "*turn every workplace into a training space*".

As the Principal, I have to lead and robustly engage tardiness in succession planning which ensures continuity beyond the present moment. A direct result of a successful succession planning is the formation of a solid baseline and avoidance of mentality of working in 'silos'. An institution can continue to function once the culture is instilled.

Involvement of social partners as internal stakeholders should not be under estimated as this is a definite way of communicating vital first-hand information to staff. Students are core to the existence of any institute of learning, they should be given the best experience in preparing them for their future.

I wish Vuselela TVET workforce and students a very merry Christmas and a Prosperous 2019.

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NEWS FROM JOUBERTON CAMPUS



MESSAGE FROM THE CAMPUS MANAGER: MR T MASEMOLA

As a Campus, we are grateful that we had a fruitful year.
We have seen improvements in a number of fields. In the Civil Division, although we have dealt with the resignation of Mr I Makwata and of Mr R Ngwenya(who resigned due to illness) we were lucky to be able to replace them by young and vibrant lecturers, who fitted well in their shoes.

The majority of our students who were granted NSFAS funding have received their refunds. We are hoping that by close of Academic year, the balance outstanding will have been finalized.

Although as a College we did not affiliate with Cossacsa in 2018, our SSS Division is putting out a vibrant plan for 2019. We intend keeping our students active and physically involved in Sports, Arts and cultural activities throughout the year.

Academically, we are proud of our staff and students. We are doing very well, and due to that our campus has been appointed as a Centre of Specialization for Bricklaying. The project kicks off in 2019. We will also be introducing Level 1, which is a Base Foundation for both Report 191 and NC(V). We believe that this will improve, even more, our Academic Achievement.

DRAMA COMPETITION



Our students participated in the Drama competition organised by CATA, in Kanana, on 13 October 2018 and obtained third position They received a trophy and a cash prize to the amount of R2 000.

On 20 October 2018 they went through to compete at Ikageng, Potchefstroom, under the banner of Bothakga Arts Festival, where they obtained the first position and will be going to Rustenburg for the higher level. They will be representing the Dr. Kenneth Kaunda district.

We wish them all the best of luck!

Staff Notices

It was so saddening to hear of the passing on of one of ours, Mr Albert Nemachena. He succumbed to a long illness on Tuesday 16 October 2018. This Zimbabwean national offered Masonry, in the Civil Division. He was buried on Sunday 21 October at his home in Zimbabwe. May his soul find eternal peace He will be greatly missed by both staff and students alike.

INTER-CAMPUS SRC SPORTS DAY

THE ISRC organised a sports day in which all campuses took part.
Our Campus Soccer Team walloped their opponents severely. The first game was played against Potch, and they beat them 8-1. They went on to the finals, playing against Klerksdorp Campus, whom they defeated by 6-2.

CAMPUS OPEN DAY



On a yearly basis, the College organises an Open Day for High School learners to come and experience the feel of a TVET College. The schools are normally requested to bring in the Grade 9's, as that is the entry level into College studies. This year we had visiting learners from Jouberton and Kanana –(Matlhaleng and MMokeng, as well as Tshedimosetso) Learners are given information on courses offered by the whole College, and special emphasis is made on what Jouberton Centre for Engineering Studies can offer.

During their stay they are taken through Workshops to be shown what is being taught in our Campus.



2019 PLANS FOR STUDENTS



An old English adage says: "All work and no play makes Jack a dull boy" Based on this, the Student Development Unit is putting forward a plan that will see our students kept busy throughout the Year with Extra-Mural activities.

This will assist in keeping their minds sharp and their physical being strong. We intend to have as many activities as possible in 2019 in Sport, Art and Culture.

We have realized that our Campus has a diverse culture of students, and believe that in keeping the students busy and physically active there will be an overall improvement in their Academic performance

STAFF ACTIVITIES

Wellness 2018

The College was invited, together with other Departments, to participate in the Employee Wellness Activities, hosted by the Department of Correctional Services. All Matlosana Campuses were in attendance, and as a campus we had representation in almost all activities - from a Fun Walk/Run up to and including Male Soccer. As a College we pride ourselves with our Ladies, who emerged as the Tug-of War Champions.

NEWS FROM KLERKSDORP CAMPUS

WELLNESS DAY



Breakfast at Klerksdorp Nebraska Spur 23 October 2018

The Klerksdorp Campus Wellness committee organised a breakfast for all staff members. The motivational speaker for this occasion was Ms Masego Kwenamore from 'Bend Don't Break' Foundation.

She described the meaning of "team" as follows:*'Together everyone achieves more'*

The main theme of her speech was to have a better mind set in the workplace. The team should work together and not destroy one another. One of the focal points was to be positive and happy in your workplace.

All staff members enjoyed a lovely breakfast and returned back to their duties on campus.

LEVEL 4 STUDENTS "GRADUATE" FROM SIM ROOM

On 6 September 2018 a simulation room graduation function was held on Klerksdorp Centre for Business Studies. All level 4 NC(V) students attended this function which was hosted by the Level 3 students. A Skills Declaration was awarded to each of the Level 4 students who successfully completed the three year (Level 2 – 4) sim room training. The following top three students received a special reward: First place: Mofokeng PB 92%. Second place: Badise GP 90.3%. Third place: Sejake PE 89.3%



Mrs R Langenhoven (Senior Lecturer) presenting the Skills Declaration to Mr PL Leema



Top Achievers: From left to right: PE Sejake, GP Badise, Mrs AJ Janse van Rensburg (Sim room Lecturer) and PB Mofokeng

MESSAGE FROM THE CAMPUS MANAGER: MRS E DE BEER

Don't wish it was easier wish you were better — Jim Rohn



What's the most unspeakable suffering you can imagine? What if you endured that pain every day? What if the nightmares of your waking life woke you up in a cold sweat? How would you handle it? No matter what your pain, there's someone who's had it worse.

Someone like Victor Frankl, who suffered through the horrors of the Nazi concentration camp in Auschwitz. When he walked through the entrance emblazoned with Dante's inscription to the entrance of Hell, "Abandon all hope ye who enter here," he could've given up. No one would've faulted him. But he didn't. Pain wore him down for sure, but he held on. He wrestled meaning out of suffering and hope out of survival. He thrived because he vanquished the darkness of Auschwitz with the choice of optimism and the possibility of hope. His choice birthed the idea of positive psychology, which touched millions of lives.

We can use this example in our day-to-day life in College to inspire us and to guide our students towards a life of optimism. I believe that it is the responsibility of education to foster positive thinking – an essential tool in achieving success in studies and in life! All it takes is one spark of optimism to set a life on fire.

Optimism is achievable in three simple steps.

1. Forgive

"People are illogical, unreasonable, and self-centered. Lovethem anyway." —Dr. Kent M. Keith. There's a secret about forgiveness for anyone wise enough to learn. Forgiveness is selfish. You don't forgive people for them. You do it for you, for your peace of mind.

Forgive people who don't deserve it. Without forgiveness, you dwell in anger. You focus on the pessimism of someone else's darkness. The first step in changing your focus is to forgive.

2. Take responsibility

"Most people do not really want freedom, because freedom involves responsibility, and most people are frightened of responsibility." — Sigmund Freud Not everything is your fault. You can't control what other people do. But you're still responsible for your response. That's all that matters. Your response determines the course of your life. Optimism frees you from the bondage of your past. It removes the blinders of suffering and the shackles of hate. It forces you to see your true potential. Optimism gives you freedom. But the price of that freedom is responsibility.

3. Look for solutions

"If you don't like something, change it. If you can't change it, change your attitude." — Maya Angelou

"I can't" is not your friend. It's an insidious lie. Believe it at your own peril. But something magical happens when you start looking for solutions. You start believing they exist. Sometimes all it takes is a chance encounter with Google and few spare minutes to discover the boundless opportunities and the infinite possibilities.

When you embrace the possibility, it changes you. Once that change is deep enough, you don't look for answers. You invent them.

"Optimism is the one quality more associated with success and happiness than any other." — Brian Tracy

Like happiness, optimism is a choice. It's as easy as it is hard. It's hard because it demands you do certain things that make you feel uncomfortable.

But it's the person you become because of those things that guarantees your success. Who do you want to become?

May 2019 be a year of optimism, hope and success for all students and staff at Vuselela College.



Open Day

The annual open day for Klerksdorp Centre for Business Studies was held on Thursday, 23 August 2018.

The aim of the day was to create the opportunity for young people and communities to acquire information about career orientated programmes offered at the College.

Approximately 130 students from Thuto–Tsebo and Mmokeng Secondary schools visited the campus from 08:30–14:00. Students were welcomed by the Campus Manager, Mrs E de Beer.

They visited the sim room, computer classes, theory classes and the resource centre and received information regarding the various programmes offered by the College and information on NSFAS bursaries.

The SRC took them on a tour around the campus and educators received a package containing campus information.

At the end visiting students were served with refreshments and they received a Vuselela TVET string bag as a gift.



ISATS - BUSINESS PRACTICE L4


ABASWATI CULTURE


INDIAN CULTURE


SOTHO CULTURE


SHONA CULTURE


ZULU CULTURE


ITALIAN CULTURE


NDEBELE CULTURE


NIGERIAN CULTURE

The ISAT for NCV, Business Practice Level 4 required that students plan and organise a cultural day. The students were divided into groups and they had to do research regarding the meals and drinks of a specific culture.

The students had to prepare the meals and drinks at home and on the selected day of presentation, they could sell it to fellow students or lecturing staff. The presentations were assessed by a panel of lecturing staff. This was a very valuable, practical experience for the students and everyone involved enjoyed the day.



WHOLESALE & RETAIL



Klerksdorp Centre for Business Studies and W&R SETA started the journey in 2016 to organise an effective Simulation room on campus. When visiting a retail outlet, the customer will realise that the Wholesale & Retail sector involves much more than what the eye can see – the cashier, till packer, shelf packer, helpdesk operator etc. Wholesale & Retail provides a lot of career opportunities for our students and they enjoy the exposure they receive in the simulation room.

We are proud to provide the workforce with our first W&R Level 4 students at the end of 2018. The lecturers involved in the Simulation room are Mr K Letshaba, Mrs A Janse van Rensburg and Mr E Mogwera, These lecturers educate the students in all aspects of the retail environment.



BOSS DAY

On Tuesday, 16 October 2018 we celebrated Boss's Day on campus. All staff members dressed in navy for the day, as this is the Campus Manager's favourite colour. All management staff received a token of appreciation. On behalf of all staff, Mrs C Burger conveyed their appreciation to Mrs E De Beer for her strong leadership skills and the manner in which she performs her duties as Campus Manager.

As the Campus Manager she is indeed an inspiration to the Klerksdorp staff. The staff members wanted to acknowledge the way in which she guides and motivates the staff on a daily basis. A bouquet of flowers was given to her as a token of appreciation.

CASHIER ROLE PLAY


Cashier Role Play


Merchandising Stock

NEWS FROM MATLOSANA CAMPUS

ACTING CAMPUS MANAGER: MR H BENADE



This has been a challenging year so far for the Matlosana Campus. Our Campus manager, Mr EL Kreeling, has been temporarily transferred to the Corporate Centre and we have an Acting Campus Manager to keep the campus and staff up and running.
We think that with the amount of training officers and administration staff we have, we did quite a good job to keeping the campus in business. Here are a few statistics to show what we have accomplished at Matlosana campus:

CATEGORY OF ENROLMENT	BOILERSHOP	ELECTRICAL	MILLWRIGHT	FITTING & TURNING
Trainees	11 and 35 currently placed for job experience	35 and 34 currently placed for job experience	1 on training	42 and 22 currently placed for on job experience
Trade Test Preparation	13 that is 6 Boilermakers and 9 Welders	90 for revision	2 for revision	27 for revision
Trade Test..... ARPL..... Refresher..... Training.....	5 out of 6 passed 6 41	40 out of 76 passed 11	1 out of 2 passed 0	27 passed 6 Fitters

Taking the above into consideration, we are now possibly moving into a quieter period so that we will be able to do the necessary repairs and maintenance before the next intake of trainees. We are also awaiting the next candidates for trade test revision and trade testing. We have also been made aware of a possible 70 students that will be registering for training.





On 21 September 2018, staff members at Matlosana Campus celebrated Heritage day at the campus. They celebrated with lunch and telling stories of when they were growing up. Laughter was the order of the day. They looked beautiful in their traditional attires.

Staff News

We congratulate the following in obtaining their Moderation and Assessor Certification:
JA Broodryk – Moderator
J van Niekerk – Moderator
Dr. MC Van der Merwe – Moderator
B Dire - Assessor

We were deeply saddened by the loss of Attorney Rinnie Benade, our colleague' Mr Benade's wife, and on the passing of Mr Kreeling's father. They will be sorely missed by their loved ones and we will include them in our daily prayers.





YOUTH DAY CELEBRATION

The celebration of Youth Day at Matlosana Campus was used to encourage youth throughout South Africa to participate in the celebration of our country's natural and Historic richness. Our young people must be preoccupied with activities that contribute towards making South Africa a better and safer country for all.

It lives on in their willingness to lend a hand, and to be ever ready to say: "Thuma Mina. Send Me".







Ms J Nyamani, Mr K Maleje and Ms Y Keyizana they studied Management Assistant working as interns based in Admin. They will serve for 18 months at Matlosana Campus.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS



On 19 October 2018, Matlosana Campus and Mrs Miemie van Jaarsveldt, from the Department of Health, were proud to participate in a Breast Cancer Awareness function. They want to spread a message of support and pay tribute to those fighting the illness, those who lost their courageous battles with it and the survivors who beat it!!! We lit candles for all those who are suffering and surviving. You are all in our prayers. May God keep giving you the strength and the power to keep on fighting.



REGISTRATION

In 2018 we have been privileged to register 59 learners from Eskom. This is the first in a few years and we hope to continue to be able to assist Eskom in affording the students a better future through education.

NELSON MANDELA DAY



Giving is not just about making a donation. It is about making a difference!

At Matlosana campus we saw fit to make a difference at Rethabile Child and Youth Care Centre on Dr Nelson Mandela Day for our 67 Minutes. We believe that "Overcoming poverty is not a task of charity, it is an act of justice".





Mr Kreeling (Acting HR Manager) with the passing of his father, and Mr Benade (Acting Campus Manager) with the passing of his wife.
We tried to give a bit of cheering up with a basket of goodies

NEWS FROM POTCHEFSTROOM CAMPUS

MESSAGE FROM THE CAMPUS MANAGER: MS N MOFULATSI



As the year is drawing to a close we all have to ask ourselves questions about the goals we set at the beginning of 2018. October/November national examinations will be written a few weeks from today. Our failures, if we have not achieved our goals in 2018 are what will teach us and give us an opportunity to re-evaluate our lives.

TVET turnaround strategy which is aiming at speeding up delivery on skills provision came with new opportunities for the country's youth. The British Council funded International Skills Partnership advanced project did not only open doors of opportunities to lecturers to undertake study visits to the UK but also to our students. We are proud to announce that Tshireletso Sebakwe one of our Tourism students will undertake a study visit to the Northern Regional College where she will get an opportunity to share best practices in vocational education and training. We are confident that she will come back with more knowledge that will benefit her college mates.

We are proud to announce that Thabo Moswetsi one of our Office Administration L2 students was nominated to represent JB Marks local municipality at SAMA 24 to learn more about entertainment production. This opened doors for him as he took part in a movie entitled "Magic Moon" produced by Big Bank Productions (Pty) Ltd. The movie was shot in Klerksdorp. The expected date for the movie to be shown in Mzansi Magic is 3 November 2018. This shows that our students have the potential to be anything they put their minds to. They just need our support to allow them to be what they were meant to be. Thabo, born in Magaliesburg stayed with his aunt in Itsoseng after the death of his mother. He never allowed his circumstances to shape his future and grabbed this opportunity when it presented itself

TVET Colleges are becoming the institution of "first choice" to young South Africans. It is very encouraging to know that even though change in the TVET sector is at a snails' pace and difficult, the political and legislative framework are addressing the development of lasting relationships by industries with TVET colleges. TVET College graduates now have access to internship opportunities.

As you are preparing yourself for the end of the final examination, think beyond your effort and ability; you have the strength to make every dream come true. Do not stop imagining it. It gives you the way to your ultimate goal. Remember even if you do not do well this time, it does not matter how many times you fall down, what matters is, after each fall you gather your strength and soldier on. Giving up should not be an option for you.

To all our staff members, academic and support, you have challenging duties to perform on a daily basis and you executed them with diligence and commitment because you can handle the heat and are prepared to serve. It is for this reason we are saying "May this Christmas end the present year on a cheerful note and make way for a fresh and bright new year. "



Students and lecturers participated in the Ikageng Fun Run in September. The campus will continue to encourage both the staff members and the students to participate in community projects that will build a lasting relationship with the community of Ikageng.



Staff members dressed in their different traditional clothing to celebrate heritage day. On September 24 every year all South Africans are encouraged to remember their roots and celebrate the diverse cultures



Casual Day in Heroic Style



Staff members celebrating 2018



Our female staff members joined the 'Wear a Doek Friday" campaign to mark Women's month.



Mr Letshaba, Mrs Nkoe, Mrs de Beer, Mr Ntwe, Mrs Hollenbach, Mr Kalanko, M. Letshabo and Ms Thejane attended training on Open Learning in Rustenburg during September month. This is a DHET initiative aimed at improving teaching and learning in TVET colleges



Mr Letshabo, Mrs Sebolai, Mrs Masondo and Ms Thejane attended the Academic Manager's Meeting in Ekurhuleni West College in Gemiston. The workshop was about WBE Programs that must be impleted at all campuses.



Office Admin Level 4 students assisted Mr Letshabo; Business Studies HOD with his filing in his office. This was part of the Life Orientation L4 Office-Work Assignment.

In Memoriam



Mr Kalanko and Mr Setlhogo delivering a message of condolence to the bereaved family, friends and students at a memorial service that was held for Voyani Radebe at the campus.



Mr Voyani Radebe was doing his Internship at Potchefstroom Campus. He started on 2 October 2018. He completes his N6 Management Assistants in June 2017 and graduated on 10 May 2018. He sadly he passed away on 29 September 2018. May his soul rest in peace.

BRAAI DAY



Colleagues at Main Campus enjoying a Braai Day organized by the Engineering lecturers for all staff members before they took a recess in August.





Mrs Lerefolo Ms. Ramodike, M. Ndlovu and Mrs Olifant during the College Inter-Campus Games hosted by Potchefstroom Centre for ICT Studies in October at Ikageng Stadium.



Potchefstroom Centre for ICT Studies staff members participating in the dance aerobics on Wellness Day on the 14 September 2018.



Mr Du Toit (at Main Campus) and Mr Verwey (at Engineering Campus) will extinguish any fire in case of an emergency after attending a Basic Fire Fighting course with Mr Letshabo at SAMREC.

Wellness Day on 14 September 2018



The event was held at Trimpark: JB Marks Municipality.
Thabang Dipale from "The Black Stallion" who is also a registered student, was the instructor.
Best performers:
Ms Mofulatsi :Mrs Dlamini, Ms Moetsi, Mrs Molelekwa, Mr Moeng, Mr Dassie and Mr Morgan.





Potchefstroom Centre for ICT Studies open day was held on the 29 August 2018. Learners from Tlokwe High school and Resolofetse High school visited the Campus



Mr Ndlovu who is playing a big role in student recruitment in the college, is seen here assisting students during R191 Business Studies 2ND semester registration



Heritage day Celebrate by staff members. Mr Selogiloe, Mrs Kheswa, Ms Mofulatsi, Mrs Tyatya and Mr Modise

ISP ADVANCED PROJECT, TOURISM ASSIGNMENT

As part of their practical assignment for the 2018 ISP Advance project, the N5 Tourism students from Potchefstroom campus organized a township tour to Ikageng location on the 13 August 2018.
They took the visitors from Northern Regional College in UK (Ms Karen McLeod, Ms Anne and Holy who is a Tourism student from Northern Regional College) to numerous places in Ikageng.
Some of the places that they visited are the old prison, which is now known as Tlokwe Youth centre, the local community radio station Aganang FM, North West University and local restaurants, where they tasted local cuisine. Our visitors enjoyed the experience .Especially being exposed to some of the many South African cultures. This was also a good opportunity for the Vuselela Tourism students to show case their Tour Operating skills.


TMT RESTAURANT


IKAGENG


NORTH WEST UNIVERSITY


OLD PRISON / TLOKWE YOUTH CENTRE



AGANANG FM


Vuselela TVET College Potchefstroom Centre for ICT Studies students listening attentively to one of the exhibitors at the career exhibition that was held on 29 August 2018 at the campus.


Admin staff dressed in red and black to celebrate Women's Day.

NATIONAL TOURISM CAREER EXPO 2018





On the 28 September 2018, Tourism N6 students went to Rustenburg for an annual National Career Expo, which was held at Sun City. All schools, colleges and universities were invited and had to register online. Business people in the tourism industry exhibited their work in a big tent, where the delegates moved around networking. Our students met with potential employers and fellow students.
Symposiums were available to discuss new trends and ways to better tourism studies. It was such a wonderful opportunity for our exiting students and lecturers. We thank the North West Tourism department and hope for more future endeavours. This was another one of those great opportunities for our Vuselela Tourism students.

NORTH WEST PROVINCE FOOD SAFETY GRADUATION & COMMUNITY IMBIZO

On Friday, 29 June 2018, Tourism students were invited to an award ceremony in Vaal Reefs to witness graduates becoming food safety cadets.
Vuselela tourism students who completed their N6 certificates were amongst the graduates, as they were part of the 12 months learnership on food safety. We managed to take our N6 students as the college had already closed for the June holidays.
After the graduation ceremony a community Imbizo took place to discuss future plans and to inform the tourism community at large about projects, North-West Tourism is currently busy with.



N5 & N6 TOURISM STUDENT'S TRIP TO PILANESBERG NATIONAL PARK



The Vuselela TVET college, N5's and N6's Tourism students went on an excursion during the free entrance week in all national parks on the 13 September 2018.The group comprised of 60 people and two lecturers. This was a great experience for the students, as most of them have never been to a National park.
The group did a game drive and managed to spot atleast two of the big five,as well as other animals. The rest of the afternoon was spent at leisure with some teambuilding activities.

WOMEN IN TOURISM AWARENESS SESSION 31 AUGUST 2018 AND POTCHEFSTROOM UNITY IN HOSPITALITY WORKSHOP 20 SEPTEMBER 2018





Potchefstroom Tourism Association extended an invitation to Vuselela Potch campus, Tourism division, to attend the two abovementioned workshops. The workshops were attended by two tourism lecturers, Mrs K. Tyatya and Ms. T.R. Mokaleng who were accompanied by N5 and N6 students.

The workshops were held at Potchefstroom Town hall and the aim of the workshops was to promote tourism awareness and encourage the students to explore different careers and opportunities in the tourism industry, especially in terms of opening their own businesses. The two workshops were very fruitful and encouraging to our students.

TOURISM GUEST LECTURE 2018



As part of the college project of inviting guest lecturers to motivate students on their respective programs, tourism division invited three guests to come and motivate tourism students. The session took place on the 28 August 2018.

We invited Mr Karabo Moshoete from South African Tourism, Ms Phinah Phiri a local businesswoman and Ms Tsholofelo Lebakeng a former tourism student from Vuselela. The guest speakers shared their journey and how they became successful in the tourism industry, despite their hardships. The session was encouraging to the students and they learned and took a lot from the guest speakers.



BREAST CANCER AWARENESS



October month is marked as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. On Friday 26 October 2018 in our morning briefing session, Mrs van Niekerk moved staff members to tears as she shared her breast cancer journey. She shed some light on the advanced methods that have been developed to make chemotherapy a little more bearable for cancer patients. The most important message is "listen to your body. Self-examination and regular check-ups must never be neglected. "

NEWS FROM TAUNG CAMPUS

CAMPUS MANAGER MR S NTWE



TVET COLLEGES NATIONAL DEBATE COMPETITION

Due to the discriminations of the past that led to gender imbalances, women remain underrepresented in leadership positions and or managerial roles. The ability of women to lead remains undermined by the society due to patriarchy in our country. The role of women in families is still to raise kids and take care of their husbands, cook for the family and do other several home chores. However, women abuse remains one of the challenges faced by the society today.

DHET has therefore seen it as important to introduce women empowerment programmes which aim to advancing the empowerment of women in South Africa.

DHET hosted the debate competition which focused on discussing and debating issues around women empowerment. Taung Campus represented Vuselela TVET College in Bloemfontein where the national debate was hosted, along with several other colleges from nine provinces. Vuselela TVET College advanced to the semi-final after they had won a first position in their group.

Mbalienhle Mzuzwane and Kimberley Oliphant represented Vuselela at the National Debate. The North West team comprised of three TVET colleges which included Taletso, Orbit and Vuselela TVET Colleges. Each college brought in at least two students and two Student support officers in order to form a team. In order to select a team for representing our college, we hosted a campus based debate competition between Taung campus, Potchefstroom Campus and Joberton Campus, which was hosted at Potchefstroom Campus. We then selected position one and two to represent the college. Students from Taung Campus took position one and two and they represented the College at a national level as part of TEAM NORTHWEST.





Mbalienhle Mzuzwane (left) and Kimberley Oliphant (right)

SECRETARIAL DAY

Taung Campus kicked off the year with a ceremony which focused on awarding students with awards for best performance in communication. The campus had invited Ronny Tsalaemang to be a guest speaker at the ceremony.

Ronny was born and raised in Dryharts village (Taung). He is a former student of Vuselela TVET College (Taung campus), where he enrolled for a management assistant course.

He graduated in 2016 and was one of the top performing students in our campus.

Ronny began writing a book, titled "The best is yet to come", while he was a student at Vuselela Taung in 2016. This book was published and made available from 13 October 2018. The journey was not easy one. He wrote his book while under a lot of pressure and no financial assistance.



Ronny acquired two awards from Vuselela TVET College, one in oral communication and the other in presentation communication. He offered a very powerful message during secretarial Day as he shared his journey with us.

The future is full of opportunities indeed.

Mr Kekana, a communication lecturer at Taung Campus, was responsible for organising this event in order to honour students who have shown commitment during the year.

HEALTH BEFORE WEALTH





It is evident that we spend most of our time pursuing wealth while we forget about our health and personal wellbeing. We get up in the morning and rush to work just so that we can cover our living expenses and to financially survive. We knock off tired, cook dinner and then go to sleep. Each day we repeat the same process. We end up in the fast lane while trying to escape life's traffic jams. Stats indicate that we forget to take time off from our busy schedule to exercise, drink water or eat healthy food.

On the 19TH of October 2018, Taung campus therefore saw the importance to host what they decided to call an "employee wellness day." Our employees were all encouraged to exercise to maintain their wellbeing. Employees at Taung Campus took a trip to Reivilio Golf Club where they engaged in different physical activities which were aimed at improving health and wellbeing. The day kicked off with a powerful message from an invited motivational speaker, Pastor Moseki from Full Gospel. The day continued with aerobics, ladies soccer and ended with mens soccer. Staff members engaged in numerous activities which included playing Pool, more commonly known as Snooker.

It is important that we never forget to focus on our health while pursuing wealth. Most people spend their whole lives trying to obtain money only to realise that good health cannot be bought. It is good that one can afford a medical aid with good benefits, but one should never forget to take care of their basic health needs themselves.

At the end of the event we were served with a healthy meal, with plenty fruits and water, to ensure that we ate with our health in mind so as to take care of our bodies. More companies should introduce basic wellness activities in order to ensure the wellbeing of their employees.

This should not be a once off event. Let us remember to take care of our bodies, eat healthy and be able to enjoy life!

FAREWELL TO MRS SEFAKO AND MS SEBOKO



On 21 May 2018 the staff organised a farewell party for Mrs Sefako who has gone on pension and Ms Seboko who resigned and moved on to greener pastures.
Mrs Sefako was our English lecturer and Ms Seboko was a member of our finance division.



VISIT TO MOTHEO COLLEGE IN BLOEMFONTEIN

Ms Ramodike, the Student Support Services Manager and Ms Piny Zuze, the Student Support Services Academic Officer, visited Motheo TVET College for best practice with regard to disability support. We were told that in order for the college to be ready to enroll Students with blindness/low vision it will require the following:-

1. Jaws which costs R 14 500.
2. Zoom text which cost R 14 800.
3. Braille Machine which costs R 280 000.
4. Braille Printer which costs R 135 000
5. Enlarged Computer Screens which costs R 12 000.
6. Headphones which costs R 900.
7. Talking Calculators which costs R 7 000.



8. Talking Printers which costs R 3000.
9. Bar reader/merlin which costs R 9 500
10. Braile books which costs R 42 000.

The following disabilities were identified at the College:-

1. Cerebral Palsy.
2. Epilepsy.
3. Mild to moderate intellectual disability.
4. Moderate to severe/profound intellectual disability.
5. Partial Sightedness/Low vision.
6. Physical disability.
7. Severe intellectually disabled.

The cost implication for enrolling students with blindness/low vision is huge.

The college partnered with Worcester which assists in providing Assistive devices, Life Orientation skills, Low vision Centre, multi-sensory stimulation area, outreach programmes and sport and recreation. The College also partnered with Blind SA who provides assistance on Mobility instructors as well as training, NID (National Institute for the blind) and brail.

ARTS AND CULTURE FESTIVAL



This took place in Rustenburg on 27-29 July 2018. Mr Mokgale Mojalefa the then SRC President was requested to give a word of thanks during the festival. Students from other colleges participated in the following categories:-

Soprano – How Beautiful Are The Feet	01
Mezzo – O Rest In The Lord	01
Tenor – David Motsamai	01
Baritone – Inkokheli Kakhongolose	01
Quartet – Mir Ist So Wunderbar	04
Male Voices – The Holy City	30
Female Voices – I Enjoy Being A Girl	30
Mixed Choir Western – La Clemenza Di Tito	60
Mixed Choir Vernacular – Madiba	60
Pencil Drawing (Male and Female)	02
Brush Painting (Male and Female)	02
Poetry (Male and Female) – Maximum 5 Minutes	02
Drama (Mixed Group) – Maximum 10 Minutes	04 - 10
Gumboots Dance (Mixed Group) – Maximum 5 Minutes	06 - 08
Hip Hop Dance (Mixed Group) – Maximum 5 Minutes	06 - 08
Pantsula Dance (Mixed Group) – Maximum 5 Minutes	06 - 08

ACADEMIC SUPPORT SERVICES ACTIVITIES

DEBATE COMPETITION



On Monday, 13 August 2018, a debate competition was held in Potchefstroom Centre for ICT Studies where all 4 Campuses participated. According to the debate plan that was sent from DHET 5 students were to participate. Jouberton Campus brought 5 participants, Taung 2 , Potchefstroom 2 and Klerksdorp 1.

After the debate, 5 students were selected, namely, Mojalefa Mokgale, Kimberley Oliphant, Mbali Mzuzwane, Mahlatsi Nthabiseng and Peter Ncancela. (see the pictures below) It was later found that only 2 were supposed to be selected. After much deliberations, Kimberley Oliphant and Mbli Mzuzwane from Taung Campus represented the college at National level

The National Debate Competition was held in Bloemfontein on 30-31 August 2018.

INTERCAMPUS SPORTS GAMES

The games were held at Ikageng Stadium in Potchefstroom on 20 October 2018.Students also participated in the colour run. In the picture is Ntswaki Seitlolo (SRC member) and a friend.

The results were as follows:-

Gents Soccer

First game: Jouberton 8 Potchefstroom 1. Second game: Klerksdorp 2 – Taung 0. Final Game: Jouberton 6 – Klerksdorp 2

Ladies Soccer

Taung Campus won the gold medal and a Cup

Netball

Taung Campus won a Cup and gold medal, Potchefstroom Silver Medal and Klerksdorp Campus Bronze Medal.

Chess

Jouberton Campus – Gold Medal and a Cup, Klerksdorp Campus Silver medals and Taung Campus Bronze medals.



Ntswaki Seitlolo (SRC member) and a friend



Female soccer, Taung Campus versus Klerksdorp Centre for Business Studies



Potchefstroom Centre for ICT Studies Soccer team



Jouberton Centre for Engineering Studies Soccer Team.