

Langeni News

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ELANGENI COLLEGE LAUNCHES HIV COUNSELLING AND TESTING CAMPAIGN



Pinetown Campus staff doing a Diski dance.

The Department of Higher Education and Training has called upon all Higher Education and Training Institutions to participate in the National HIV & AIDS Counselling and Testing Campaign as launched by the President of Republic of South Africa, Mr JG Zuma on 15 April 2010.

The College formally launched this campaign on 09 June 2010 at Pinetown Campus. The College Management and SRC Leaders were the first group to be counselled and tested by the New Start Company.

This marked the beginning of the campaign on all campuses. Employees and students are encouraged to join all South Africans in this campaign to know your HIV status. The campaign will unfold at all campuses after the 2010 FIFA World Cup. Each Campus will be given a day when the New Start Company will come to counsel and test all our students and employees.

The time for questions has passed and the time for action has come. A few years ago, we all had questions about HIV & AIDS and clear responses have now been given. The campaign is aiming to unite all South Africans against this terrible pandemic.

The process will assist us in changing our behavior and life style. Whether you are

negative or positive your behaviour and life style has to change. HIV & AIDS is no longer a death sentence as patients can be trained to manage their lives.

The real enemy of the people is our attitude towards HIV & AIDS caused by ignorance. If this process manages to achieve change in our behavior and our life style, we will be one step closer to conquering the pandemic. Our unity in action against HIV and AIDS may take less than a year if we get our attitude right.



(L): Mr. S.M. Mbill being tested by a counsellor during the HCT campaign launch.

We should encourage everyone to be counselled and tested. It is voluntary to participate. Your results are confidential, unless you wish to tell other people voluntarily. When you have been counselled and tested, your thinking changes immediately.

If you are negative, you become more cautious, to ensure that you do not become infected in future.

If you are positive, you understand that it is not the end of the world. You manage your life in a different way, by protecting yourself and others. You follow an appropriate diet, you exercise regularly, and you take medication and follow instructions.

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Pinetown Campus Congratulated their Students





"I have been counselled and tested by friendly New Start Company volunteers. I have learnt a lot from the process. I would like to encourage all employees and students to participate".

"The fact that we are all affected means that we should join hands to teach, encourage and support one another.

INTERNATIONAL LUNCH AT PINETOWN CAMPUS

*My colleagues with HIV & AIDS are still my colleagues.
My students with HIV & AIDS are still my students
My friends with HIV & AIDS are still my friends
My family members with HIV & AIDS are still my family members
My relatives with HIV & AIDS are still my relatives
My community with HIV & AIDS is still my community*

Nothing will change except our attitude towards HIV/AIDS. If all of us can understand that HIV/AIDS is like all other diseases and if we change our behavior and life style, the campaign will succeed".

(Special thanks to Tiger Foods and Ushaka Marine World for their donation towards the soccer event) 



Staff at Pinetown Campus enjoyed a wonderful "international" lunch to celebrate the beginning of the World Cup.

Each table provided food from one other country as well as South Africa. We tasted food from England, Italy and France. To add to the atmosphere, staff dressed in international clothing. It really was a break-up day when no one wanted to go home!

HWSETA "CLOSE - OUT" WORKSHOP

The HWSETA Learnership that has been active since November 2008 has finally come to a close. On 22 February 2010, a "close-out" workshop was held jointly by SEDA, HWSETA and Elangeni FET College.

The College invited all the students who had completed the NVC Level 2 Learnership to the Mpumalanga Campus to discuss their business status. 20 Learners successfully completed training and received certificates in June 2009 on NVC Level 2. A further 4 weeks of Mentorship was delivered by Elangeni FET College and SEDA. Learners received an allowance over the 18 month period. The 50% split of the learner allowance was utilized to purchase equipment and consumables to enhance their businesses.

This Learnership has been fruitful, 90% of the learners attended the "close-out" workshop and received more knowledge from a Business Advisor's presentation arranged by SEDA.

The college was requested to either return remaining funds or distribute the funds equally to the learners. The latter was agreed and a final allowance from this fund was allocated equally to all learners in March 2010. Pictures taken at the

function were taken by one of the learners, Mr Nonkululeko Gwala. His business is Photography and Video recording 

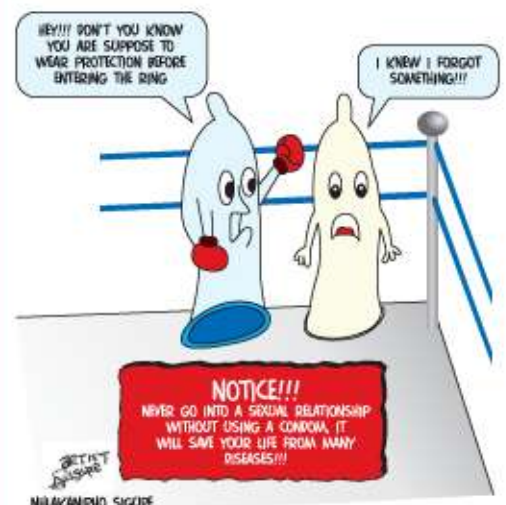


Pictured above at the "close-out" workshop are 13 of the 20 learners who completed the learnerships, SEDA management, Elangeni project co-ordinator and HWSETA project manager.




HWSETA learners were given a sixty minute workshop. This entailed brainstorming on the attributes of a successful entrepreneur. Points would lead to a score on their individual success as entrepreneurs. Suggestions were made by project managers and business consultants from SEDA for continuous improvement

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COMMUNITY OUTREACH: THOKOMALA COMMUNITY SUPPORT CENTRE BOTHA'S HILL

The Pinetown Campus SRC & S.L.O visited the children's home to donate blankets, meal for the day and to give Thokomala children love. Campus Staff contributed towards this programme by purchasing 20 blankets and Sheet Street-Pavilion was kind enough to give 10% discount on the blankets. Mrs M. Moodley and Ms L. Fraser purchased the ingredients and hospitality students prepared the meal for the day 



Babhekile Ngcobo Pinetown campus S.L.O and Mr T.C Mtungwa SRC President with children from Thokomala Community Support Centre. The Campus SRC & S.L.O visited the children's home. Lunch was prepared for children and there was so much fun



(FL-R): Stacey McAllister & Micheal Nhlapho during the Gender Switch day that was by SRC where males exchanged clothes with females for the purpose of fundraising for Thokomala Community Centre.

CERTIFICATION CEREMONY OF THE 2010 WORLD CUP TRAINING PROGRAMME

The function was held at Ntuzuma campus hall on 5 June 2010, a week before the kick-off of the 2010 FIFA World Cup SOUTH AFRICA. This was the third and the last phase of the programme. Elangeni College for FET was the first FET to complete the programme timeously and the objective of the training was to equip communities with skills to be used during and after the World Cup. Approximately 800 learners were enrolled in total from phase one to phase three. The following programmes were offered:

- Plumbing
- Carpentry
- Domestic Electrical
- Cutting and Design
- Garment Making
- Advance computer
- Basic computer
- Pastel Accounting
- Catering, Welding
- Vehicle Maintenance
- English and French.

The second phase included all the above, except garment making and cutting and design.




Like a Zulu proverb says "Imfundo ayikhulelwa" (You are never too old for education). These photos proves it. Whether you are young or old you can still learn new things

The last phase included of the following skills:

- Plumbing
- Carpentry
- Cutting and Design
- Garment Making
- General Maintenance
- Bricklaying

The final phase concentrated on INK area. This programme received support from the department of education, who funded it, senior management, assistant directors and campus staff.

The college is confident that people can make a living out of the skills they received during the 2010 World Cup Training Programme 



(Centre) Mrs Happy Bhengu, Sewing and Garment Design: Lecturer and her students, all wearing clothes they made themselves



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PROMOTIONS AND APPOINTMENTS

Name	Position	Campus	Year
Mr KKN Mbambo	Senior Lecturer	Qadi Campus	2009
Mr WV Zulu	Campus Manager	Ndwedwe Campus	2010
Mr BM Ntuli	Campus Manager	Mpumalanga Campus	2010
Mr TBB Kubheka	Senior Lecturer	Kwamashu Campus	2010
Mrs T Dookhi	Head of Department	Kwamashu Campus	2010

CLASS NOTE ALUMNI: KEEPING IN TOUCH

Class Notes is a collection of short biographies sent to us by alumni, highlighting their personal and professional achievements. Through these notes, alumni keep in touch and find old friends.

2006's

Ntokoza is a 25 year ambitious young lady. She has completed her Marketing Management Diploma in 2006 and is currently working towards finishing her 3rd level BA in Psychology. Ntokoza has established **Nto's Photo City**, a Printing Photography and design business based in the Bridge City Mall.

She grew up in KwaMashu and has been involved in modelling and promotion of products, but due to the slow progress and high unemployment rate in the area, she targeted opportunities that exist in Events Films, Suppliers Printing and Promotions. Ntokoza has been ambitious and intelligent enough to improve her knowledge and has achieved certificates in Events and Computer Marketing.

Community outreach is one of her interests. She is a team member of Street Child volunteers, which is under Umthombo Street Children, a South African organization primarily run by a former street child and Durban University of Technology in partnership with eThekweni Municipality. Currently, she is providing care and counselling to street children, providing social support with the aim of rehabilitation. She concentrates on drug dependency, self esteem, anger management and related issues.

She would enjoy hearing from her former classmates and friends from the College.

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Ntokoza Molloung at her graduation in 2006



NDWEDWE 1ST YEAR STUDENTS OUTING

Ndwedwe campus SRC members took the initiative to officially welcome new students to the college. This was done by taking new students on an outing at Baaito Beach.

The day was aimed at making these students comfortable and introducing them



Students enjoying volleyball.

to college life. They got to play different games like Volleyball, Netball, Soccer and Water polo. They were divided into two groups- Jupiter and Mars. Jupiter won most of the games **E**



Ndwedwe students posing for a memorable group photo.

MPUMALANGA PRIMARY AGRICULTURE PROJECT

On 2 June 2010, all Primary Agriculture students went on an educational excursion to the Royal Show in Pietermaritzburg. This trip was proposed by the FET representatives who attended the KZN Agricultural Conference. The Campus Manager of Mpumalanga Campus was part of this.

At the Royal Show, students observed different types of sheep being sheared.



One of the beautiful animals in the beef section.

Sheep shearing is one of the main attractions at the Royal Agricultural Show.

The Beef section of the Agricultural Show however, proved the most popular section among students. In the beef section, different breeds of cattle were on show (Brahman, Jersey, Holstein, Limousin). All students rushed to get their pictures taken with the beef beauties of the show **E**



Nkululeko Khumalo, L4 Primary Agriculture student with one of the beef beauties and Royal Show employee.

NCV STUDENTS ENCOURAGED TO SEEK WORK EXPERIENCE

NCV students are encouraged to volunteer in public and private organisations during the school holidays. This will give them more knowledge, skills, experience and also enhance their abilities. Volunteering gives extensive experience to a person and it helps students to have knowledge of the work place. This gives an opportunity to experience different jobs and working environments and to build

WOMAN ON THE MOVE (PLUMBING LECTURER)

A plumbing career was considered as a male job by most South Africans; however this is changing as more women consider careers in construction.

Not so many years ago Mrs. Sphehile Hlongwane was one of the few ladies who considered a career in plumbing. She completed her plumbing course with Coastal FET College and Elangeni was fortunate enough to employ her as a plumbing lecturer in 2008.

Since then she has inspired and changed a lot of perceptions about plumbing and construction courses being for males only



Mrs Sphehile Hlongwane, Plumbing Lecturer at Ntuzuma Campus

skills that you would not be exposed to at the College. Volunteering affords you the opportunity to test out a career you might be interested in following without any full-time commitment. You will be one step ahead of the competition when competing for jobs because you will have work experience. You will have something on your Curriculum Vitae that few others will have, so you will stand out from the crowd.

Many companies would rather hire their interns, in-service trainees or volunteers first before considering other candidates. It affords you the opportunity to demonstrate to your superiors performance that is not measured purely by academic results **E**



Left: Ntombikhona Vimbi, Luyanda Goge, Zodwa Bhengu, Smangele Dhlomo, Nongcebo Ntshangase, Abegail Vilakazi and Thulisile Wanda. These students completed their work shadowing at Central Office during the 2010 FIFA World Cup.



PEER EDUCATION



Qadi Peer Educators with their Student Liaison Officer Pam Mndaba

In 2009, the Student Support Services unit piloted the Peer Education Programme at Qadi and Mpumalanga campuses. The peer education programme is a student-driven programme where students are trained as peer educators, so that they are better-skilled and equipped to give advice as peers to other students who are of a similar age.

The peer educators are trained to provide information and advice on a range of issues that are often of concern to students, including HIV/AIDS, drug abuse, teenage pregnancy, relationships, one's studies and gender issues. Peer educators are strongly encouraged to refer their fellow students to the student counsellor, who then assists the student further.

Peer education is a way to empower students, by offering them the opportunity to participate in activities that affect them and to access the information and services they need to protect their health. Peer Education forms an integral part of student support services as it focuses on supporting students who are experiencing


problems via other students on campus. This year, the programme has been rolled out to other campuses as well since the pilot was a great success.

Campus	Dates	Service Provider(S)	Total Trained
Pinetown	28 - 29 April 2010	SANCA & The Valley Trust	15
Qadi	21 - 22 April 2010	The Valley Trust	15
Mpumalanga	21 - 22 April 2010	The Valley Trust	15
Ndwedwe	6 - 7 May 2010	Love Life	15
KwaMashu	21 - 22 April 2010	Newlands Park Centre	15
Ntuzuma	21 - 22 April 2010	Newlands Park Centre	15
TOTAL			90

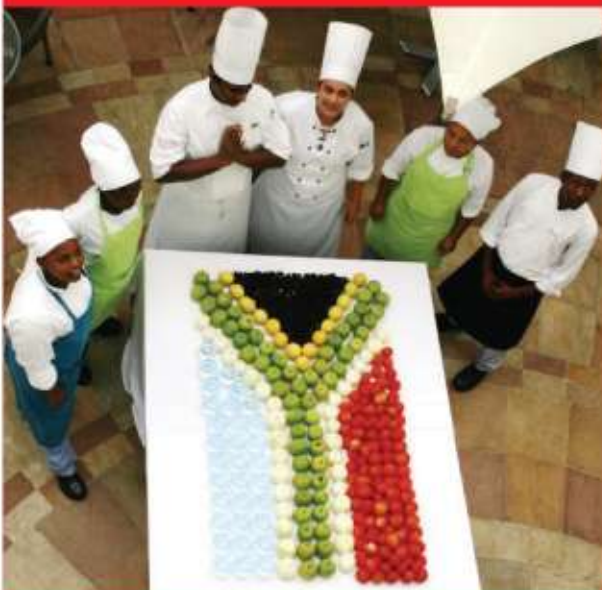
2010 Peer Educator Training

Phase 1 of the Peer Educator Programme has been completed. Ninety students have been trained across all campuses. We thank service providers for their support and Campus Managers for the successful training.

Phase 2 requires that all trained peer educators pass on the information gained to their fellow peers in the classroom. This can be done during the Life Orientation periods; however this needs to be negotiated with L.O. lectures to see if it can complement the class lessons.

Phase 3 which is the last phase. Peer educators, in collaboration with SRC will do health awareness campaigns and invite stakeholders from both public and private sectors to raise awareness amongst the students. 

FOOD FUN FOR GUESTS AT SUNCOAST HOTEL & TOWERS



Kitchen staff liven up the tables with patriotic presentation

The staff who work in the kitchens of Suncoast Hotel & Towers and The Riviera Restaurant came up with something special for the hotel's international football fans. Guests staying at the hotel, a Southern Sun property, were from the Netherlands, Portugal, Brazil, America, China, Japan, Oman and Panama.

Flying the flag in food are (from left): Nqobile Msoni and Mendi Kubheka, both students from Elangeni College completing 320 hours in the kitchen each; Sandren Govender, senior chef de partie; Sune Terblanche, demi chef; Thandeka Maphumulo, student from the International Hotel School; and Sibonelo Mbambo, a 2010 Fifa World Cup trainee. (Special thanks to Hotel & restaurant) 



2010 COLLEGE SPORTS DAY

The 2010 College Sports Day took place on 23 April 2010 at Cato Manor Sports grounds. All Six campuses attended and participated with dedication.

The 5 categories were:

- **Boys Soccer**
- **Ladies Soccer**
- **Boys Volleyball**
- **Ladies Volleyball**
- **Netball**

At the 2009 Sports Day, Qadi Campus celebrated by taking first position in four categories. However this year, their luck changed as Mpumalanga and KwaMashu Campus took first position in two different categories. Five categories were presented:

The results were:



The winners - KwaMashu Campus Soccer team

Sport Code Name:	1 st Position	2 nd Position	3 rd Position
Boys Soccer	KwaMashu Campus	Mpumalanga Campus	Pinetown Campus
Ladies Soccer	Mpumalanga Campus	Ndwedwe Campus	KwaMashu Campus
Boys Volleyball	Mpumalanga Campus	Qadi Campus	There was no 3 rd position
Ladies Volleyball	Ndwedwe Campus	Mpumalanga Campus	Qadi Campus
Netball	KwaMashu Campus	Pinetown Campus	Mpumalanga Campus



Winners of the ladies soccer - Mpumalanga Campus Ladies Soccer team



Boys volleyball winners - Mpumalanga Campus Volleyball team




Ladies' volleyball champions - Ndwedwe Campus Ladies volleyball team



Netball winners - KwaMashu Campus Netball team



NDWEDWE MUNICIPALITY FOOTBALL FRIDAY

Ndwedwe Municipality launched Football Friday and invited Ndwedwe Campus to be part of the fun and games. The campus performance was outstanding and they won the games. The Municipality awarded the students with medals 




CENTRAL OFFICE SOCCER FRIDAY SPORTS DAY

Who can forget the historical game of Bafana Bafana against Mexico on 11 June 2010, where the boys managed to draw 1-1? E!angeni college staff also celebrated this day by having their own opening game. Their opening game was between Brazil and South Africa.

The staff was divided into two teams to play for these countries. The South African team won and hopes were even higher

that Bafana Bafana was going to win that afternoon. The day was indeed celebrated in style; the staff danced to music played by DJ A!pesh Rajput and enjoyed snacks.

The day was filled with joy and happiness. The staff and management got to know each other much better in an open and fun environment. The winning team, South Africa was awarded a trophy 



South African Team: FL (Standing): Nontobeko Mngengwe, Mr. S M Mbilli, Sizwe Zezi **FL (Front Row):** Bheki Ngcobo, Sihle Nzuzo



College staff enjoying the games.




Brazilian Team: FL (Standing): Jabu Makhanya, Thami Kheswa, Ndumiso Ndlovu **FL (Front Row):** Sli chili, Ro Hyun Ho



South African Team celebrate after winning

PINETOWN CAMPUS CONGRATULATED THEIR STUDENTS

Pinetown campus participated in the College Sports event and seven students were selected to the college team and they represented the college in the Provincial Sports tournament. These students were selected at the college tournament for all six campuses at Cato Manor Sports Grounds on 23 April 2010 



Back Row from Left: Sbusiso Mthembu Soccer central midfielder, Simphiwe Mbhele Soccer Coach. **Front Row from Left:** Nondumiso Khumalo Netball Wing Defender, Precious Dlamini Netball coach, Sibonelo Shamase Soccer goalkeeper, Syabonga Cele Soccer defender central & Sindi Miya Netball Goal Attacker.

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