

Commission Approves over 200,000 Teachers to Administer 2023 National Examinations

The Teachers Service Commission (TSC) has vetted more than 200,000 teachers who will manage this year's national examinations.

TSC Chief Executive Nancy Macharia said appropriate measures have been put in place to ensure Kenya Primary School Education Assessment (KPSEA), Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) and Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) examinations take place without hitches.

Speaking during the joint launch of the new 2023 examinations season at Mitihani House in Nairobi on September 25, 2023, Dr Macharia said 223,223 teachers will serve as supervisors and invigilators while 37,731 will be examiners. The examinations are set to run from October 27 to November 24, 2023.

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Dr Macharia said.

During the event stakeholders also discussed the new grading system for KCSE.



TSC Chief Executive Dr Nancy Macharia speaks during the launch of the 2023 national examinations season in Nairobi on September 25, 2023.

To ensure the exercise is a success, Dr Macharia said all field officers on leave have been directed to resume duty on October 16.

Rehearsals for KCPE and KPSEA will take place on October 27, with the learners scheduled to write their first papers on October 30 and last on November 1.



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This will be the second time KPSEA will be administered to Grade 6 learners since the rolling out of the Competency-Based Curriculum and Assessment that advocates for the 2-6-3-3-3 education system.

On the other hand, KCSE candidates will begin their tests on November 6 and conclude on November 24.

She said: "Centre managers will ensure that the double collection of morning and afternoon session papers is done without compromise to any examination procedures."

Dr Macharia added that as a measure to curb malpractice, only centre and deputy centre managers, who are the institution heads, will be required to be in school during the period.



TSC Issues Guidelines on Recruitment of Teacher Interns in Post-Primary Institutions



Kenyans seeking to be recruited as interns in post-primary institutions must be registered teachers, the Teachers Service Commission (TSC) has said.

The TSC has directed sub-county directors to confirm the online registration status of all applicants ahead of shortlisting.

According to the guidelines issued on July 4, 2023, applicants shall be required to present originals and photocopies of national Identification Card and certificate of registration as a teacher upon invitation for interview.

These are among the raft of guidelines put in place by TSC for the recruitment of interns for post primary institutions in the 2023/2024 financial year.

Following the advertisement for the recruitment exercise, regional directors, county directors and sub-county directors are required to oversee the selection exercise for the advertised vacancies.

Additionally, they are expected to submit merit lists that have been ratified by the regional/county selection panels to the TSC headquarters.

Applicants are required to submit their applications online through www.teachersonline.go.ke for the institution where a vacancy has been declared.

Applicants whose names differ on the academic

and professional certificates and/or identification cards are obligated to present an Affidavit explaining the variances.

The notice indicated that applicants who re-sat either the KCPE or KCSE examinations are obligated to present certified copies of the certificates of the national examinations in question for all the attempts.

Furthermore, those that make it to the interview stage will be required to present original copies of their diploma/degree certificates and official transcripts.

The TSC committed to ensure that five percent of the advertised slots are reserved for teachers with disabilities in line with affirmative action law.

Therefore, such candidates will be required to present a National Council of Persons with Disabilities (NCPWD) card.

The TSC county director shall forward the county merit list to the regional director who is mandated to compile the regional merit list.

It is this regional merit list that the regional director shall forward to the Director Staffing at the TSC headquarters.

This data bank of interviewed candidates shall be used to replace those exiting service within the financial year or as may be directed by the commission.

The interns will help to alleviate the shortage of teachers and promote the implementation of the competency-based curriculum and assessment in junior secondary schools.

The Commission is facing a shortage of about 100,000 teachers across primary, secondary and post-primary institutions. The internship programme was launched in 2019 and has benefited thousands of teachers.

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