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## PLACEMENT OF THE 2019 KCSE COHORT TO UNIVERSITIES AND COLLEGES

Pursuant to its Mandate as provided for in the Universities Act, 2012, Section 56 (1) (a), the Placement Board, during a meeting held today, February 17, 2020, has considered the placement of the 2019 Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) examination candidates to Universities and Colleges. The Board observed the following:

### I. 2019 KCSE Performance

A total of **688,928** students qualified for placement to tertiary institutions at various levels under Government sponsorship. Of these, **125,449** attained a mean grade of C+ and above, thus qualifying to join local universities. Another **563,479** scored between C and E and therefore qualified for placement to Technical and Vocational Education and Training (TVET) institutions.

### II. Capacities

Universities have declared a capacity of **193,878**, which is enough to absorb all those who met the minimum requirement for admission to Degree programmes and are willing to pursue courses in Universities.

In addition, the State Department of Vocational and Technical Training has provided a capacity of **350,000** in the TVET institutions that are under the Ministry of Education. The capacity is enough to absorb 62% of the candidates who qualified for TVET. The Board noted that there are several other TVET institutions offering training opportunities where the remaining 38 % can be absorbed.

### III. Resolution

The Placement Board resolved that all the 2019 KCSE candidates who scored a mean grade of C+ and above will be given an opportunity for placement to universities and TVET institutions, while all those who scored C and below will be given an opportunity to apply for placement to TVET institutions.

Pursuant to this, the online placement system has today, **Monday**, **February 17**, **2020**, opened for application and revision of choices and will close on **Monday**, **March 9**, **2020** at 5.00 pm.

# IV. Application Support to Applicants

From Monday, February 24 to Saturday, February 29, 2020, the Placement Service will set up desks in the following institutions to advise and support applicants.

S/No.	Support Centre	County
1	Baringo Technical College	Baringo
2	Bomet University College	Bomet
3	Kibabii University	Bungoma
4	University of Embu	Embu
5	Tom Mboya University College	Homa Bay
6	Uhuru Vocational Training College	Isiolo
7	Umma University	Kajiado
8	Sigalagala National Polytechnic	Kakamega
9	Kenya Highlands Evangelical University	Kericho
10	Kabete National Polytechnic	Kiambu
11	Pwani University	Kilifi
12	Kisii National Polytechnic	Kisii
13	Kisumu National Polytechnic	Kisumu
14	Kenya Water Institute	Kitui
15	Laikipia North Technical and Vocational College	Laikipia
16	Machakos University of Technology	Machakos
17	Wote Technical Training Institute	Makueni
18	Laisamis Technical and Vocational College	Marsabit
19	Meru National Polytechnic	Meru
20	Siala Technical Training Institute	Migori
21	Kenya Coast National Polytechnic	Mombasa
23	Rift Valley Institute of Science and Technology	Nakuru
24	Maasai Mara University	Narok
25	Ol'lessos Technical Training Institute	Nandi
26	Nyandarua Institute of Technology	Nyandarua
27	Nyeri National Polytechnic	Nyeri
28	Laikipia University, Maralal Campus	Samburu
29	Siaya Institute of Technology	Siaya
30	Taita Taveta University	Taita Taveta

31	Kitale National Polytechnic	Trans Nzoia
32	Turkana University College	Turkana
33	Eldoret National Polytechnic	Uasin Gishu

These support services will remain available throughout the application period at the Placement Service offices at the ACK Garden House (Ground Floor) on 1<sup>st</sup> Ngong Avenue, off Ngong Road, in Community Area and at Huduma Centres located in Mombasa, Nyeri, Eldoret, Nakuru, Garissa, Kakamega, Kisumu, Meru, Kitui, and Nairobi (Makadara and GPO).

More information on the application process, available programmes, universities and colleges, previous cut-off points and applicants' cluster points is accessible through the Placement Service website **www.kuccps.ac.ke.** All applicants are advised to observe the application deadline. All applications must be submitted online through the KUCCPS Students Portal, **students.kuccps.net**. Late applications will not be accepted.

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#### Note to Editor

The Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service (KUCCPS) is a State Corporation established under the Universities Act, 2012 to coordinate the placement of Government-sponsored students to universities and colleges; disseminate information on available programmes, their costs and areas of study prioritised by the Government; collect and retain data relating to university and college placement; develop career guidance programmes for the benefit of students; and advise the Government on matters relating to university and college student placement. For more information, send email enquiries to ceo@kuccps.ac.ke or call 0205137400, 0723954927 or 0734879662.