

Thabazimbi gets new TVET college

7 July 2016 - A state-of-the-art technical college, launched a year ago in Thabazimbi in Limpopo, has opened its doors of learning to rural students.

It focuses on engineering and developing artisans in order to address scarce skills, lack of job placements and practical workplace opportunities after students have graduated.

“Through a well-resourced e-learning resource centre and computer rooms with extended hours of access for students to the internet, the campus also offers a significant proportion of computer-aided instruction,” said Minister Blade Nzimande who attended the official opening of the Waterberg College.

He said the college has the potential to open avenues for artisan skills amongst the youth.

This, he said, should turn into opportunities in mining exploration and grow the local economy.

Dr Nzimande explained that close to R14 million was spent in the area.

College Principal Ms Selaelo Lekoloane, appealed to the community to adopt the college and protect it against any form of vandalism as “it is an asset which provides quality education to today’s youth and in generations to come”.

Kumba Iron Ore representative, Sbusiso Tenza, announced that the company would partner with the college by providing bursaries to the academically deserving students.

The college offers a range of programmes:

National Certificate (Vocational) (NC(V))
Electrical Infrastructure Construction
Boiler Making
Fitter and Turner
Engineering and Related Designs (Automotive)
Office Administration
Report 191 Nated Engineering Studies
Diesel Mechanic (N1 – N3)
Electrical Infrastructure Construction (N1 – N3)
Boiler Making (N1 – N3)
Fitter and Turner (N1 – N3)
Water and Waste Water Treatment (N1 – N3)

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Management Assistant (N4 – N6)
Business Management (N4 – N6)
Artisan Trades
Diesel Mechanic Trade – with AgriSETA and MerSETA
Chain Store Operations Learnership Level 3 – with W&R SETA
Community House Building – with CETA and SSETA