



THE NYANDARUA NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC

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NYAHURURU

JANUARY - APRIL 2026 NEWSLETTER

APPRECIATION

Dear Parent/Guardian

We have come to the end of Term One 2026 successfully and we are grateful to God for bringing us this far.

The term was peaceful and most of the Polytechnic's activities went on as scheduled. Training and assessments were conducted smoothly and the trainees also got the opportunity to participate in a number of co-curricular activities, including the Kenya National Drama and Film Festival regional and national competitions and external and internal sports competitions.

During the term, Nyandarua National Polytechnic was proud to host its Alumni's Third Annual General Meeting. The event provided an opportunity for networking for both former and current students, and sharing experiences and ideas towards improving the Polytechnic. The colourful event was graced by among others Nyandarua County Senator, Hon. John Methu and the Nyandarua County Chief Officer for Public Health Dr. Pachomius Wambugu.

At the same time, the Polytechnic held an open day Career Sensitization event where the youth from the local community, mainly from four leavers, together with their parents and guardians were enlightened on informed career choices and guided on the various courses offered at the Nyandarua National Polytechnic.

On a different note, Nyandarua National Polytechnic was once again recognized for championing social and environmental sustainability and awarded the Taifa Champions Diversity and Inclusion Award and Recognition (DIAR) 2026 award. The Polytechnic was also awarded by GIZ for being a leading institution in having the highest number of female trainees in the Dual TVET training Programme.

I would like to thank you most sincerely for your support throughout the ended term and assure you that our commitment to provide quality services as guided by our quality policy remains.

We appreciate the trust that parents and guardians have continued to place in us and the commitment shown by our students in their training and personal development.

ADMISSIONS

MAY 2026 INTAKE - ADMISSIONS NOW OPEN

Nyandarua National Polytechnic is currently receiving applications for the May 2026 intake across all departments.

Prospective students are encouraged to apply early through the KUCCPS platform or by visiting the institution directly for walk-in admission.

Various programmes are available under NyNP, HRMPEB, KISEB, KASNEB and other examination bodies.

Note:

- **Online reporting for continuing students will run from Wednesday 22nd to Tuesday 28th April 2026 via the student portal.**
- **Admission of new students will take place from Tuesday 28th to Thursday 30th April, 2026 in Block E.**
- **Continuing students will sign the nominal roll in their respective departments after the online registration on Wednesday 29th April 2026.**
- **Learning will resume on Thursday 30th April 2026 in tuition rooms.**

All students are encouraged to complete the registration process promptly to avoid delays in accessing classes and institutional services.

OFFICE OF THE REGISTRAR -ADMINISTRATION

JANUARY TO APRIL 2026 UPDATE

ADMISSIONS AND REPORTING - TERM 1, 2026

We warmly welcomed our new Term 1 2026 intake trainees between Wednesday 7th to Friday 9th January 2026.

Continuing students reported on Wednesday, 27th January 2026. The Registrar's Office ensured that all learners were properly recorded, guided, and supported throughout the process.

Formal training commenced on Monday, 12th January 2026.

We sincerely thank all parents for their role in encouraging timely reporting. Your continued partnership makes a meaningful difference.

Throughout Term 1, the Registrar's Office continued to provide comprehensive support to students, including:

- Updating and maintaining academic records
- Course registration and verification
- Re-admission, deferment, and transfer processing
- Production of academic letters and official documents
- Examination scheduling and compliance guidance
- General student administrative assistance

Parents and students are always encouraged to reach out to our office whenever advice or information is needed. Our doors remain open to serve you.

To all students: *We commend your resilience, discipline, and commitment.*

To all parents: *We sincerely appreciate your sacrifices and continued cooperation.*

NEW: ONLINE CLERANCE SYSTEM

Starting Term 2 2026, the Polytechnic will transition to a fully online clearance system for all students.

This system is designed to streamline the clearance process, reduce queues, and eliminate the challenges associated with manual clearance procedures.

All students will be required to complete their clearance online through the student portal. Detailed instructions and timelines will be communicated in due course.

EXAMINATIONS AND ASSESSMENTS FOR TERM ONE 2026

Throughout the term, learners participated in evaluations that help measure academic progress and skill mastery, which included continuous assessments and summative evaluations.

The following were the assessments and examinations activities for the term:

- Registration of March/April 2026 NyNP summative assessment was done from 9th January to 27th February 2026.
- Registration of March/April 2026 CDACC summative assessment was done from 9th to 30th January 2026.
- March/April NyNP summative assessment ran from 23rd March 2026 to 1st April 2026.
- The KNEC examinations were conducted from 13th March 2026 to 2nd April 2026.
- March/April CDACC assessment ran from 23rd March 2026 to 13th April 2026.
- The HRMPEB 2026 April Series assessments ran from 1st to 8th April 2026.
- The KASNEB and KISEB 2026 April Series ran from 20th to 23rd April 2026.
- Marking of NyNP summative assessments took place from 7th to 10th April 2026.

We acknowledge the discipline and seriousness exhibited by learners during these sessions and the encouragement provided by parents.

We also appeal to parents to ensure timely payment of all assessment fees to avoid administrative disruptions and to enable full participation of students in examinations and practical assessments.

INDUSTRIAL LIAISON OFFICE (ILO) TERM ONE JANUARY - APRIL 2026 REPORT

The Office of the ILO made significant progress in trainee placement, assessment, and industry engagement during the term as following:

1. Mentorship and Dual Training Placement

During the term, a total of 590 trainees were successfully placed on mentorship across various industries. In addition, 22 dual trainees were placed on industry block training as part of the dual training programme.

2. Assessment Progress

By the time of reporting, 438 trainees had been successfully assessed under Phase 1. The remaining trainees are scheduled for Phase 2 assessment, mainly comprising those who reported late for mentorship.

3. Industry Collaboration

The office initiated collaboration efforts with five (5) industries, with the aim of strengthening institutional partnerships. Formal collaboration agreements are expected to be finalized and signed early in the next term.

4. Employment Outcomes (Dual Training Programme)

Out of the first dual intake of 54 trainees (May 2024 cohort), 34 trainees have secured employment distributed as follows: Horticulture - 6, Science Laboratory Technology (SLT) - 8, Catering - 15, and Cosmetology - 5.

5. Internship Placement

An additional 80 trainees were placed on internship across the following sectors: Hospitality, Mechanical Engineering, Business Studies, Information Communication Technology (ICT), Building and Civil Engineering, Cosmetology and Fashion Design. However, there is still a huge gap in the deficit of trainees who have skills in barbering.

The Industrial Liaison Office continues to focus on strengthening collaborations, improving assessment coverage, and addressing identified skill gaps to enhance trainee employability in line with the institution's mandate of promoting industry linkage, mentorship, and trainee placement.

FEES PAYMENT

I would like to thank most of you for meeting your obligations in fees payment. This has contributed greatly to our being able to improve the learning environment for the trainees and trainers. However, some trainees have some fees arrears and this has slowed our operations.

Parents are reminded that the government provides educational loans through the Higher Education Loans Boards (HELB) as well as the government scholarship. Please encourage your sons and daughters to take advantage of this fund to ensure that they do not accumulate fees arrears. All trainees are eligible for this loan and are advised to check regularly when the HELB portal is opened for application.

Parents are also advised to explore all other possible sources of funding like CDF bursaries and other bursaries and SCHOLARSHIPS from other quarters to minimize training disruptions due to nonpayment of fees.

All parents/guardians are advised to pay institutional fees in time to avoid unnecessary inconveniences. Your partnership in this financial responsibility allows the institution to provide a smooth learning experience, support essential services and sustain the quality of training offered.

In this regard kindly note:

1. **All outstanding fee balances should be cleared before the proceeding term.**
2. **Fees for Term 2 (May—Aug 2026) must be paid in full during reporting.**
3. **A text message indicating your son's/daughter's fee balance has been sent to you through your mobile phone number.**
4. **No trainee will be allowed to attend classes or register for summative assessments/examinations without clearing the arrears and paying the required fees .**
5. **The Polytechnic will only engage with the Parent/Guardian on fee payment matters.**

IMPORTANT NOTES:

- **FEES HAVE BEEN REVISED DOWNWARD TO KSHS. 22,396 PER TERM.**
- **ASSESSMENT/EXAMINATION FEES IS AS PER THE ASSESSMENT/EXAMINATION BODY.**
- **ALL FEES MUST BE CLEARED FOR REGISTRATION OF ASSESSMENT.**

The fee structure and a copy of this newsletter can be accessed through the trainees' portal, trainees' whatsapp groups through the link provided and from the Polytechnic's website.

Fees should be deposited in the Polytechnic's Bank Account at:

Nyandarua National Polytechnic, Equity Bank,

Nyahururu Branch

Account No. 0160296471157

Deposit slips should then be presented to the Accounts Office for issuance of a receipt.

OFFICE OF THE DEAN OF STUDENTS
TERM ONE (JANUARY - APRIL) 2026 REPORT

S/N	Date	Activity	Venue	Remarks
1.	21st January 2026	Orientation of New Students	Library	The orientation program successfully introduced new students to the institution's culture, academic expectations, and available support services. It was interactive and informative, helping students settle in quickly and feel welcomed and confident in their new environment.
2.	22nd January 2026	Opening Prayer Meeting	Graduation Square	The term commenced with a well-attended opening prayer meeting that set a positive and reflective tone for the academic period. Students and staff participated actively, fostering a sense of unity, purpose, and spiritual grounding within the institution.
3.	29th January 2026	Class Representatives Meeting	Dining Hall	The meeting provided an important forum for student leaders to voice concerns, share ideas, and engage with the administration. It strengthened communication channels and empowered student representatives to play an active role in institutional governance.
4.	6th March 2026	Briefing and Prayer Service for March/April Assessments Candidates	Graduation Square	A special prayer service was conducted to support candidates preparing for the March and April Summative Assessments and National Examinations. The event provided emotional encouragement, boosted students' confidence, and reinforced the institution's commitment to both academic success and holistic student welfare.
5.	3rd April 2026	Finalists Class Representatives Trip	Kenya National Museum, Nairobi	The educational trip to National Museum Nairobi was both informative and inspiring. Students gained valuable insights into Kenya's cultural heritage, history, and scientific exhibitions, making the trip a meaningful complement to their academic experience.

SCOUTS ASSOCIATION DESK

TERM ONE (JANUARY-APRIL) 2026 REPORT

S/ NO.	DATE	ACTIVITY	VENUE	REMARKS
1.	23 rd January 2026	Alumni AGM	Basketball pitch, NyNP sports ground	50 rovers participated actively in this activity by mounting a guard of honor, planting trees, guiding the guests from the administration block to the basketball pitch and offering service during the event.
2.	29 th January - 1 st February	Novice Investiture	Rowallan Scouts camp, Kibera, Nairobi.	38 new rovers were invested into scouting. The aim of investiture is to train recruits on what entails scouting.
3.	20 th - 22 nd February 2026	Founders Day celebrations	AC Ol Kalou Primary School, Ol Kalou.	50 rovers attended the celebrations. They participated in a cleanup exercise in Ol Kalou Town and in a peace walk around the town. The scouts also got an opportunity to interact with other scouts.
4.	6 th March 2026	Tree planting exercise	Gatimu Secondary School	30 rovers participated in the activity where 4000 trees were planted at the school ground.
5.	14 th March 2025	CSR Activity	Muhindi Trading Centre	The rovers participated in a clean-up exercise at Muhindi Trading Centre which also involved the local residents.

DRAMA AND MUSIC CLUB

TERM ONE (JANUARY-APRIL) 2026 REPORT

Nyandarua National Polytechnic participated in the KATTI Mt. Kenya West Regional Drama and Film Festival held at the Nyeri National Polytechnic from 5th to 7th March 2026 where they presented 11 items: 9 stage items and 2 film items.

47 trainees participated in the following drama genres: Play, Modern Dance, Solo Dance, Solo Verse, Cultural Creative Dance, Spoken Word, Live TV Broadcast, Mime, Stand-Up comedy, Podcast and Advertisement.

Among the items presented, three stage items and two film genres qualified for the National Level. These were: the Stand-Up Comedy, the Spoken Word and the Live TV Broadcast. The film items were the Advert (Equity Bank sponsored theme) and the Video Podcast.

The National Festival took place from 7th April to 16th April 2026 at the Nyeri National Polytechnic, Kagumo Teachers Training College and Dedan Kimathi University of Technology in Nyeri. Our trainees were afforded another opportunity to stage their performances at the national platform.

Participation in both the Regional and National Drama Festivals showcased students' creativity, talent, and cultural expression. The experience enriched participants' confidence and exposed them to diverse artistic performances from other institutions.

Meanwhile, preparations for the Kenya National Music Festival 2026 which is scheduled for next term have begun and practice for our trainees will begin upon resumption in the next term.

We encourage more trainees to join the club and develop their artistic talents as they continue to acquire skills in their technical areas.

We also appeal to parents to support and encourage their children who exhibit different talents in order to nur-

GAMES AND SPORTS TERM 1 2026 REPORT

The department of games and sports has facilitated an active engagement of both trainers and trainees in constructive recreational events throughout Term 1 2026. This has served as a great opportunity for the department, whose major role is to refine games and sports. The sporting activities listed below have been carried out both home and away, a great opportunity for exposure and sportsmanship for our trainees.

S/N	EVENT	DATE	INVOLVED GROUPS	VENUE	RESULTS
1.	Handball Friendly Matches	1 st February 2026 1 st February 2026 18 th February 2026 18 th February 2026 14 th March 2026	NyNP vs. Nyandarua High School NyNP vs. Laikipia University NyNP vs. Gichungo High School NyNP vs. Laikipia University NyNP vs. Ahiti	NyNP grounds	12:09 14:17 16:09 13:17 26:17
2.	Interdepartmental Athletics Championships	6 th March 2026	All ten Academic Departments	NyNP grounds	Successful. Pos. 1: Building Department Pos. 2: Agriculture Department
3.	One Campus One Goal Tournament	13 th -14 th March 2026	7 Football Teams	NyNP grounds	Pos. 1: NyNP Men School Team Pos. 2: NyNP Staff Football Team
4.	Football Men Friendly Matches	28 th March 2026 21 st Feb 2026 20 th Feb 2026 27 th Feb 2026 7 th March 2026	NyNP Men's Team vs. Kenya School of Agriculture Nyeri NyNP Men vs. Ahiti NyNP vs. Cleanshelf Supermarket Staff Team NyNP vs. Boiman Rangers NyNP vs. Nyandarua University college NyNP Vs. Express FC	NyNP grounds NyNP grounds NyNP grounds Boiman grounds NyNP grounds Nyahururu Stadium	2:1 3:0 6:1 4:5 3:0 1:2
5.	Football Women Friendly Matches	28 th March 2026	NyNP Women vs. Kenya School of Agriculture	NyNP grounds	8:0
6.	Staff Team Football Matches	26 th March 2026	NyNP Staff Team vs. Upcoming Generation FC	NyNP grounds	3:1

SECURITY REPORT JANUARY - APRIL 2026

During the January-April 2026 academic term, the Polytechnic maintained a stable and secure environment, with no major security incidents reported. This achievement reflects the collective efforts and cooperation of trainees, staff, security personnel, and external stakeholders. The administration commends all members of the Polytechnic community for their commitment to upholding discipline and promoting a safe learning atmosphere. In line with our continued commitment to ensuring safety and well-being, the Polytechnic administration has implemented enhanced security measures aimed at strengthening institutional security and supporting a conducive environment for both academic and professional development. These measures are part of an ongoing strategy to proactively address emerging security concerns and improve overall preparedness.

The institution has continued to collaborate closely with the National Security Team in Nyandarua County, Ol Joro Orok Sub-County, to provide comprehensive security support to both trainees and staff. This partnership has been instrumental in maintaining peace and order, particularly for trainees residing in hostels outside the Polytechnic premises. The visibility, vigilance, and responsiveness of security agencies have significantly contributed to deterring potential threats and ensuring prompt response to any emergencies.

Additionally, the Polytechnic recognizes and appreciates the important role played by the local community, especially hostel owners and landlords, in reinforcing security efforts. Their cooperation and vigilance have helped extend safety beyond the institution's boundaries, creating a more secure surrounding environment for trainees.

To further enhance access control and accountability, all trainees are required to carry their Polytechnic identification cards or valid temporary gate passes at all times while within the institution. Security personnel are authorized to verify identification at entry points and when accessing various services within the Polytechnic. This measure is critical in preventing unauthorized access and ensuring that only legitimate members of the institution utilize its facilities. Members of the Polytechnic community are also encouraged to remain vigilant and to report any suspicious activities, safety concerns, or incidents promptly through the established communication channels. Security remains a shared responsibility, and active participation by all stakeholders is essential in sustaining a safe environment.

Looking ahead, the administration will continue to assess and strengthen security infrastructure. Planned improvements include the installation and upgrading of surveillance systems (CCTV), enhancement of lighting in poorly lit areas, and deployment of additional security personnel where necessary. Regular security awareness initiatives will also be conducted to keep trainees and staff informed and prepared.

In conclusion, the administration appreciates the continued cooperation, understanding, and proactive engagement of all stakeholders in supporting these security measures. Together, we will continue to uphold a safe, secure, and conducive environment for learning, growth, and overall institutional excellence.

WE PRAY AND LOOK FORWARD TO A BLESSED AND PRODUCTIVE TERM IN MAY 2026.
GOD BLESS US ALL AND NYANDARUA NATIONAL POLYTECHNIC.

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