

LAIKIPIA EAST TECHNICAL AND VOCATIONAL COLLEGE

“Enhancing Competence”

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS (FAQs)

Q1. Where is Laikipia East Technical and Vocational College located?

A: Laikipia East Technical and Vocational College (Laikipia East TVC) is a public technical and vocational training institution established by the Government of Kenya under the Ministry of Education. It is located along the Nyeri – Nyahururu Highway at Marina Trading Centre in Laikipia County and offers Competency Based Education and Training (CBET) programmes.

Q2. Which levels of training does the College offer?

A: The College offers training at Level 4 (Artisan), Level 5 (Craft/Certificate) and Level 6 (Diploma), in line with the Kenya National Qualifications Framework (KNQF) and the Competency Based Education and Training (CBET) system.

Q3. Which departments and courses are offered at the College?

A: The College offers programmes through several departments, including Business Studies, Building and Civil Engineering, Electrical and Electronics Engineering, Information Communication Technology (ICT), Fashion Design and Cosmetology, Hospitality and Tourism and Mechanical and Automotive Engineering. Each department offers Diploma(Level 6), Craft/Certificate(Level 5), Artisan (level 4) and Level 3 courses in its respective fields.

Q4. Who certifies and awards qualifications from the College?

A: Depending on the programme, trainees are examined and certified by the Kenya National Examinations Council (KNEC), the Curriculum Development, Assessment and Certification Council (CDACC), or the National Industrial Training Authority (NITA) for artisan/short courses.

Q5. Is the College accredited?

A: Yes. As a public TVET institution, the College is registered, accredited and regulated by the Technical and Vocational Education and Training Authority (TVETA) under the TVET Act No. 29 of 2013.

Q6. What are the minimum entry requirements for admission?

A: Entry requirements vary by programme and level, but generally require a Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) certificate/result slip at the minimum mean grade set for the specific course, or an equivalent qualification. Applicants should confirm the specific requirement for their intended course with the Admissions/Registrar's office.

Q7. How can I apply for admission?

A: You can apply through the Kenya Universities and Colleges Central Placement Service (KUCCPS) for government-sponsored placement, through direct application at the College, or as a walk-in applicant at the College offices in Marina Trading Centre or by sending your details through 0713380692 on whatsapp.

Q8. When does the College admit new students?

A: The College typically admits new trainees at the start of each academic term/year, in January, May and September. Applicants should check the College's notice board or website for current intake dates, as these are updated periodically.

Q9. Where is the College located and how do I get there?

A: The College is located along the busy Nyeri – Nyahururu Highway at Marina Trading Centre, next to the tarmac, in Laikipia County. Visitors can board a Nyahururu-bound matatu from Nyeri (or a Nyeri-bound matatu from Nyahururu) and alight at Marina, just past Nairutia mini-town.

Q10. How much are the fees, and how do I pay?

A: Fees vary by programme, level and type and the approved fee structure is published by the College and issued to admitted trainees. For regular programmes the fees is 22,396/= per module. Payments can be made via bank transfer(KCB ACC 1222409348), mobile money (Lipa M-Pesa Bus No 522123 acc no 38663k). Trainees should always confirm the current fee structure with the Finance Office, as fees are subject to periodic review.

Q11. Is financial assistance available for trainees who cannot afford fees?

A: Yes. Trainees may apply for support through the Laikipia County Government bursary programme, the Higher Education Loans Board (HELB) TVET loan and bursary scheme, National Government Constituency Development Fund (NG-CDF) bursaries, or other sponsors. Applicants should fill the relevant application forms and have them endorsed by the Dean of Students where necessary

Q12. What is CBET and how is training delivered?

A: CBET (Competency Based Education and Training) is a training approach that emphasizes practical skill and competency acquisition over theory alone. Trainees are assessed progressively unit by unit against defined occupational standards, and must demonstrate competency in each Unit of Competency before proceeding, with progress recorded in a trainee logbook or portfolio.

Q13. Does the College offer industrial attachment

A: Yes. Trainees undertake industrial attachment after completing the prerequisite units of competency. The Industrial Liaison Officer assists trainees to identify suitable host organisations, and performance during attachment is supervised and assessed by the College.

Q14. What support services are available to trainees?

A: The College offers guidance and counselling services through the Dean of Students' office, library and learning resource services, ICT and e-learning support, and a functioning complaints/grievance handling process for both academic and welfare matters.

Q15. What happens if I fail an examination?

A: Trainees who do not pass all required units in a KNEC/CDACC examination are registered to re-sit the failed unit(s) in a subsequent sitting, once eligibility requirements (including fee clearance) are met.

Q16. How do I get my certificate after completing my course?

A: Once you have completed and passed all required units, cleared all fees, and met attachment and other non-academic requirements. Certificates are then processed and issued by the Registrar's office.

Q17. How can I raise a complaint or grievance?

A: Complaints can be lodged verbally, in writing, or through the institutional suggestion box with the relevant Head of Department, the Registrar, or the Dean of Students. Matters that cannot be resolved at departmental level are escalated to the Principal/Management Board, and ultimately to TVETA or the Ministry of Education if unresolved.

Q18. How does the College handle discipline-related matters?

A: Disciplinary matters are handled by the Disciplinary Committee, which investigates and holds a hearing before determining an appropriate sanction in line with the College's disciplinary code. Trainees who are dissatisfied with a decision may lodge an appeal for review by an Appeals Committee.

Q19. How can I contact the College for more information?

A: You can contact the College through Telephone: +254 713 380 692, Email: info@laikipiaeasttvc.ac.ke or laikipiaetvc@gmail.com, or by visiting the College offices along the Nyeri – Nyahururu Highway at Marina Trading Centre, Laikipia County.

Note: *Course lists, fee structures and intake dates are updated periodically. Applicants and trainees should confirm current details with the Registrar, Finance Office, or the College's official notice board/website.*