



Kanyakine High School: A Legacy of Resilience, Growth, and Excellence

Introduction:

Kanyakine High School, a beacon of academic excellence and community spirit, has a rich history that spans over five decades. From its humble beginnings as a Harambee mixed secondary school in 1967 to its current status as a five-stream Extra County school, Kanyakine has consistently evolved to meet the educational needs of its students. This story is about the growth of a school from just a village idea to a great nationally recognizable institution!

The Early Years: A Community Effort (1967-1970)

Villagers of Nkurune Village of Kithangari Location came together and decided to launch a day school through Harambee spirit, a movement that embodied the collective effort of communities to uplift themselves. Therefore, Kanyakine High School was founded in 1967; the school started as a mixed secondary school, a testament to the community's commitment to education. The early years were marked by the dedication of parents, teachers, and students who worked tirelessly to lay a strong foundation for the school. This period of grassroots effort is a reminder of the power of community and the importance of giving back, resilience and values of locals of Nkurune Village

Government Takeover and Expansion (1970-1980)

In 1970, the government recognized the potential of Kanyakine High School and took over its management. This marked the beginning of a new era of growth and development. By 1977, the Board of Governors (BOG) and parents decided to start another Harambee stream, effectively doubling the school's capacity. This decision was a bold move that demonstrated the school's commitment to providing quality education to more students. The introduction of the 'A' Level Class in 1980 further introduced Kanyakine to the national stage admitting students from all over the country! Kanyakine's A-Level Stream was an instant success that had many students admitted to University of Nairobi Law School and Kenyatta University College, the only University facilities in the country then! Kanyakine went on to produce the Best Student for the Kenya Advanced Certificate of Education (KACE) of 1985, a one former CS Keriako Ole Tobiko!

The 8-4-4 Era and Beyond (1980-1989)

The 1980s were a period of significant change for Kanyakine High School. In 1982, the government once again took over the Harambee class, and by 1987, the school had expanded to a triple stream. The introduction of a second 'A' level class on a Harambee basis was a clear indication of

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the school's ambition to offer diverse educational opportunities. However, with the advent of the 8-4-4 system of education in 1989, the 'A' level stream was phased out. This transition was a challenging yet necessary step in aligning the school with the national education system. Nevertheless, Kanyakine High School once again was the celebration of the Nation and produced the Nation's Best Student for the KCSE Exam of 2002 where Dr Bundi Karau was the Best Student national wide!!

Present Day: A Legacy of Excellence

Today, Kanyakine High School stands as a five-stream Extra County school with a total enrollment of about 1000 students, 43 teachers, and 30 members of supporting staff. The school's growth over the years is a testament to the unwavering commitment of its stakeholders, including the Alumni Association.

Conclusion: A Thrilling Future Ahead

As we look to the future, the story of Kanyakine High School is one of resilience, growth, and excellence. The Alumni Association remains committed to supporting the school in its mission to provide quality education and to nurture the next generation of leaders. Together, we can continue to build on the rich legacy of Kanyakine High School, ensuring that it remains a beacon of hope and opportunity for years to come.

Call to Action:

Join us in celebrating the remarkable journey of Kanyakine High School. Whether through mentorship, donations, or simply staying connected, your involvement can make a significant impact. Let us work together to write the next thrilling chapter in the history of Kanyakine High School.



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