

CAREER OPPORTUNITIES WITH IMPLEMENTATION OF ART AND DESIGN IN SECONDARY SCHOOLS

Dr. Wagah Mical Ongachi
Maseno University
Department of Art and Design

Dr. Okwara Micheal Okello
Jaramongi Ogonga Odinga University of Science and
Technology, School of Education and Social Sciences

ABSTRACT

This research was conducted to examine the level of awareness on careers available for students learning Art and Design in secondary schools in Kenya because some schools are dropping this curriculum in Western Kenya. This implies that Art and Design career opportunities have not been effectively marketed. The purpose of the study was, therefore, to find out the level of awareness on careers available with Art and Design implementation in schools. The study used descriptive survey. The research was carried out in Western Kenya. Data was collected from Head teachers, teachers and Students using Questionnaire and Interview schedule. Many head teachers and Students could not name at least ten careers available for a Student with Art and Design background. It is recommended that the Ministry of Education should organize workshops for secondary school Head Teachers to equip them with skills and make them vast with knowledge of careers available for 32 subjects offered in secondary schools in Kenya because they occupy leadership position. The Head Teachers should ensure that all careers for all subjects offered in their schools are fully channeled to the learners through the career department teachers.

Keywords: Careers, opportunities, Art and Design, Implementation, Education.