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DATE: Monday, 31 May 2026

MEC HLOMUKA TO OFFICIALLY OPEN THE MBUSO KUBHEKA ICT, ENGINEERING AND TECHNOLOGY SCHOOL OF EXCELLENCE, AMAJUBA DISTRICT

Members of the media are invited to cover the official opening of **Mbuso Kubheka ICT, Engineering and Technology School of Excellence** in the Amajuba District, on Tuesday 2 June 2026

This milestone represents a bold step forward in our commitment to delivering quality, relevant, and inclusive education that prepares our learners for the opportunities and challenges of the 21st century.

Who was Mbuso Kubheka?

The school is named after the late Mbuso Kubheka, a dedicated freedom fighter and senior leader and member of the Provincial Legislature in KwaZulu-Natal. Through his leadership, organisational skills, and unwavering commitment, he made significant contributions to the struggle for liberation and the consolidation of our democracy. His life of service reminds us that education is a continuation of the struggle for dignity, opportunity, and empowerment for all our people.

Mbuso Kubheka was one among the generation of activists to take a stand in the proud tradition of the youth who rose up against Bantu Education and the apartheid machinery. Opening the schools as we start Youth Month honours that spirit of resistance by creating institutions that give practical expression to the aspirations of 1976.

Programme Highlights: The opening of this school of excellence underscores the critical importance of fully implementing the **Three Stream Model** in our education system. This model creates three distinct but equally valuable learning pathways:


- **Academic** — for university-bound learners
- **Vocational** — focused on technical and trade skills
- **Occupational** — oriented towards direct entry into the world of work and entrepreneurship

This institution will equip our young people with world-class skills in coding, robotics, engineering, digital innovation, and technical trades, while maintaining strong academic foundations. It will produce not just graduates, but solution-makers who can drive provincial and national development.

Event Details:

 **Date: Tuesday, 02 June 2026**

 **Time: 09h00**

 **Venue: Mbuso Kubheka ICT, Engineering and Technology School of Excellence,
Amajuba District**

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