



Daniel Pienaar Technical High School

School History

Hoër Tegniëse Skool Daniel Pienaar is the oldest technical school in South Africa and has its roots back in 1893 when Dr Andrew Murray of the NG Kerk proposed the founding of a trade school to educate "poor whites". Dominee DJ Pienaar of Uitenhage thought it a good idea, bought ground on the banks of the Swartkops, and opened the school in 1895. It was then called Uitenhage Trade School and offered classes, mostly given by the first principal, F Doëge, in shoemaking, wagon building, welding and clothes making. The medium of instruction was English. In 1917 the school went dual-medium.

In 1915 the school acquired new buildings and expanded the next year to include a hostel for 120 boys. In 1945 it acquired new buildings and more land for sportsfields. In 1969 it was rebuilt on its present site. In 1975 there were again new buildings and again in 1995, the centenary year.

In 1922 the school became a high school, in 1956 it changed its name to HTS Daniel Pienaar in honour of its founder and in 1959 had its first matriculants. In 2000 an Old Boys' Union was formed. The school now has 970 pupils, of whom 27 are girls.



FOUNDED: 1895
 MOTTO: VOLKOME TOEGERUS
 (FULLY EQUIPPED)
 ADDRESS: DANIEL PIENAAR
 STREET, UITENHAGE
WWW.DPTHSCHOOL.ORG





"Daniel Pienaar plays like their nickname - Tigers! Our sides never give up, and play to the best of their abilities."

— Moolman Olivier (Coach: 1995-2005)

Tigers Rugby

Daniël Pienaar has 18 teams — four Under-14, four Under-15, three Under-16 and seven senior teams. It has, in recent times, been particularly successful. In 1990 Hermanus Potgieter was the First XV's coach. Hermanus himself was a great rugby player and played a test at wing for the Springboks (1977) and played for Free State. In 1992 Daniel Pienaar were unbeaten. Since 1995, Moolman Olivier coached the first team. He has played for Eastern Province as well as 16 games for Namibia at flyhalf. The years 2001, 2004 and 2005 were excellent years for the schools First XV rugby side. Venyo Mhlobiso was selected for SA Schools in 2004, and in 2005 Dewald Potgieter and Vincent Gwavu represented SA Schools, with Potgieter captaining the side.

Daniel Pienaar is known as the "Tigers" and they are always competitive on the field. The school has a rich rugby tradition and competes with the best in the land. In 2006 they beat Paarl Boys', Grey High (PE) and Dale College. They play the mighty Waterkloof every year. The derby between Klofies and the Tigers began in 2001, and every year the schools battle each other. When Daniel Pienaar have to travel to Pretoria, 18

rugby teams make the train trip. Grey High of Port Elizabeth is another big game, but the most anticipated fixture is the traditional derby against Brandwag. That is a true Interskole fixture — a game that involves all sports and all teams, where huge crowds turn up and where occasionally the match is televised.

Clearly, HTS Daniel Pienaar has enough depth from First XV down to Under-14D side to compete with the country's best. Mr Nico Strydom is currently the coach of the First XV.

Traditions

The First Team perform a haka on the field before the start of every game.

