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Introduction

This is the second in the series of IERIS' monthly media report on education in Ghana. The objective of this report is to document issues on education, ease referencing and provide information for research in education. The report provides a summary of education issues reported in The Daily Graphic, The Ghanaian Times, Myjoyonline and Citinewsroom in February, 2023. The maiden collection in January did not include Myjoyonline and Citinewsroom. In putting the report together, we went through all the pages in the Daily Graphic, Ghanaian Times and the other online media outlets to identify issues reported on education daily. The daily reports were collated to generate a monthly output. The report starts from 1th to 28th February 2023.

Most of the reports on education in the Daily Graphic were in page 28 while the Ghanaian Times were in pages 13, 15 and 17. The main areas covered included tertiary education, secondary education, basic education and other topics on educational issues.

Report summary

The media report on tertiary education covers induction by Ghana School of Law, financing tertiary education, congregation by Ho Technical University, demonstration by the University of Ghana students on high cost of education and other miscellaneous including Ghana Post Honoring KNUST Vice-Chancellor and former President Kufour advising Alumni of International Universities to use their expertise to impact positively on society.

On secondary education, there were reports on legal issues where 43 alleged Krobea Asante Technical Vocational Students were granted bail, scholarship for Tarkwa Senior High School students, reporting day for fresh Senior High School students, Computerized School Selection and Placement System for Senior High School students, Science Technology Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) schools fully operational, speech and prize giving day at St. Mary's Senior High School and WASSCE for private candidates

The basic education report on accessibility to schools and infrastructure such as Kindergarten block, library and ICT for Kwabenya Model school, Ayikuma MA basic School and Oshiyie school respectively. Also, there were concerns on quality education, University of Ghana Basic

school students being trained on self-defense, policy intervention to integrate out of school children, reading challenge and donation to Dzorwulu special school.

Reports on other educational issues centered on construction of public libraries, Ghana-Based lecturer, Dr. Etse Sikanku Honoured in US and implementing Ghana Education outcomes project by the Ministry of Education and service providers

Conclusion

We have included two more news outlets to expand our documentation of educational issues in the media. Over time, we would provide a comprehensive analysis of the information collected from all these sources. We might also expand our coverage of media outlets to make research information for prospective researchers.

Major themes

1. Tertiary Education

Sub themes	Date	Topic	Source	Page	Website
<i>Induction</i>	01/02/23	Ghana school of law induct 700 students	Myjoyonline	-	https://www.myjoyonline.com/84-students-inducted-into-the-ghana-school-of-law-kumasi-campus/
<i>Financing education</i>	01/02/23	Support education financing to improve standards. IEPA Director-General to Stakeholders	Daily graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/ghana-news-support-education-financing-to-improve-standards-iepa-director-general-to-stakeholders.html
	16/02/23	AGA donates GHC1m to KNUST Obuasi campus	Daily Graphic online	-	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/aga-donates-gh-1m-to-knust-obuasi-campus.html
	22/02/23	Sunyani Technical University Discounts fees for Female engineering Students	Daily Graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/sunyani-technical-university-discounts-fees-for-female-engineering-students.html
	23/02/23	Students Loan “NO GUARANTOR” Tanzanian delegation understudies’ policy	Daily Graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/ghana-news-videos/video/no-guarantor-students-loan-policy-launched.html
<i>Congregation</i>	28/02/23	Ho Technical University turns away latecomers to matriculation	Daily Graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/ho-technical-university-turns-away-latecomers-to-matriculation.html
<i>Demonstration</i>	04/02/23	University of Ghana students demonstrate over high cost of education	Daily graphic	16	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/ghana-news-students-of-ug-hit-the-street-to-protest-against-increasing-cost-of-education.html
	21/02/23	Ghana Post Honors Kwame Nkrumah University of Science and Technology (KNUST) Vice-Chancellor	Daily Graphic	29	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/ghana-post-honours-knust-vice-chancellor.html
	25/02/23	Former President Kufuor advises Alumni of international Universities	Daily Graphic	16	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/ghana-news-kufuor-advises-alumni-of-international-universities.html

2. Secondary Education

Themes	Date	Topic	Source	Page	Website
<i>Legal issues</i>	04/02/23	43 Alleged krobea Asante Tech Vocational student protesters granted GH 86,000 bail	Ghanaian Times	03	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/43-alleged-krobea-asante-tech-vocational-student-protesters-granted-gh%C2%A286000-bail-2/
<i>Scholarship</i>	06/02/23	4 Tarkwa SHS students received scholarship	Daily graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/4-tarkwa-shs-students-receive-scholarship.html
<i>SHS fresh students reporting date</i>	13/03/23	SHS freshers to report February 20	Daily graphic online	-	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/shs-freshers-to-report-february-20.html
	14/02/23	Postpone reporting date for SHS 1 students – Nortsu-Kotoe to GES	Myjoyonline news	-	https://www.myjoyonline.com/postpone-reporting-date-for-shs-1-students-nortsu-kotoe-to-ges/
	27/02/23	GES cautions against selling items on prospectus to Form One students	Daily graphic online		https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/ghana-news-ges-cautions-against-selling-items-on-prospectus-to-form-one-students.html
	28/03/23	SHS freshers report for school	Daily graphic online	-	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/shs-freshers-report-for-school.html
<i>Computerized School Selection and Placement System</i>	17/02/23	372,780 students placed under CSSPS	Ghanaian times	12	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/372780-students-placed-under-cssp
	18/02/23	Don't pay money for school placement FSHS official advises parents	Ghanaian Times	14	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/dont-pay-money-for-school-placement-fshs-official-advises-parents/
	20/02/23	Education ministry cautions against paying for placement	Myjoyonline news	-	https://www.myjoyonline.com/education-ministry-cautions-against-payment-of-money-for-school-placement/
	27/02/23	91% qualified B.E.C.E candidates placed – Education Ministry	Myjoyonline news	-	https://www.myjoyonline.com/91-of-qualified-students-successfully-placed-so-far-education-ministry/
	27/02/23	Admissions under Computerised	Ghanaian	13	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/increasing-shs-admission-

		system: increase SHS quota to 40%...CRI advocates	Times		quota-good-but/
<i>STEM schools</i>	14/02/23	7 STEM schools fully operational educational minister	Daily graphic	20	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/7-stem-schools-full-operational-education-minister.html
<i>Speech and prize giving day</i>	16/02/23	St. Mary's SHS marks 73 rd Speech and Prize-giving Day	Daily graphic	28	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/st-marys-senior-high-school-holds-73rd-speech-and-prize-giving-day/
<i>WASSCE for private candidates</i>	28/02/23	WASSCE for Private candidates: More candidates fail Mathematics	Daily Graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/wasce-for-private-candidates-more-candidates-fail-mathematics.html

3. Basic Education

Themes	Date	Topic	Source	Page	Website
<i>Accessibility</i>	04/02/23	300 school face danger in crossing river to school at Tapa, Abotoase daily	Ghanaian Times	14	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/300-school-children-face-danger-in-crossing-river-to-school-at-tapa-abotoase-daily/
	11/02/23	Don't deny children access to education by Rev. Ntim Fordjour	Ghanaian Times	14	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/dont-deny-children-access-to-education-rev-ntim-fordjour/
<i>Infrastructure</i>	14/02/23	GES to build school Atigagorme.... after 8years school children drown in volta lake	Ghanaian Times	13	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/ges-to-build-school-for-atigagorme-after-8-school-children-drown-in-volta-lake/
	16/02/23	President inaugurates Kwabenya Model kindergarten	Daily graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/president-inaugurates-kwabenya-model-kindergarten.html
	28/02/23	Oshiyie School gets library, Computer lab	Ghanaian Times	15	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/oshiyie-school-gets-library-computer-lab/

<i>Quality education</i>	15/02/23	Poor quality basic Education: sacking all public-school teachers not solution	Daily graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/poor-quality-basic-education-sacking-all-public-school-teachers-not-solution.html
<i>Security</i>	22/02/23	UG Basic School Pupils Schooled on self-defense	Daily graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/ug-basic-school-pupils-schooled-on-self-defence.html
<i>Policy intervention for out of school students</i>	24/04/23	Project to integrate 70,000 out-of-school Children Launched	Ghanaian times	12	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/project-to-integrate-70000-out-of-school-children-launched/
<i>Reading challenge</i>	28/02/23	Student of RisingSun Montessori School wins reading challenge	Daily Graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/student-of-risingsun-montessori-school-wins-reading-challenge.html
<i>Special needs</i>	17/02/23	GTA, Fairafric donate chocolates to Dzorwulu Special School	Ghanaian Times	13	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/gta-fairafric-donate-chocolates-to-dzorwulu-special-school/
<i>STEM exhibition</i>	20/02/23	Delhi school holds science, tech exhibition	Daily Graphic online	-	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/delhi-school-holds-science-tech-exhibition.html
	21/02/23	Ayikuma MA basic School Experiences ICT, science Experiment For first time	Ghanaian Time	21	https://www.ghanaiantimes.com.gh/ayikuma-ma-basic-school-experiences-ict-science-experiment-for-first-time/

4. Miscellaneous

Themes	Date	Topic	Source	Page	Website
<i>Miscellaneous</i>	16/02/23	54 public libraries constructed in 6years- Dr. Bawumia	Daily graphic	24	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/54-public-libraries-constructed-in-6-years-dr-bawumia.html
	18/02/23	More committees, more Student protest	Daily Graphic	23	https://www.graphic.com.gh/features/opinion/more-committees-more-student-protests.html
	20/02/23	Ghana-Based lecturer	Citi	-	https://citinewsroom.com/2023/02/ghanaiian-based-lecturer-dr-

		Dr. Etse Sikanku Honoured in US	newsroom		sikanku-honored-in-us/
	20/02/23	Command changes at artillery school	Daily graphic	45	https://www.ghanaweb.com/region/albynewsghana/Command-changes-at-Artillery-Training-School-57077
	22/02/23	Asante-Mampong Education Director promoted to rank of Regional Director	Daily Graphic online	-	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/mampong-district-education-director.html
	24/04/23	Panellist advocate STEAM education instead of STEM	Daily Graphic	24	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/education/panellists-advocate-steam-education-instead-of-stem.html
	27/02/23	Implementing Ghana Education outcomes Project: Ministry signs contract with 3 service providers	Daily Graphic	28	https://www.graphic.com.gh/news/general-news/implementing-ghana-education-outcomes-project-ministry-signs-contract-with-3-service-providers.html