NATIONAL GOALS OF EDUCATION IN KENYA

1. Foster nationalism, patriotism, and promote national unity

Kenya’s people belong to different communities, races and religions and should be able to live and interact as one people. Education should enable the learner acquire a sense of nationhood and patriotism. It should also promote peace and harmonious co-existence.

2. Promote social, economic, technological and industrial needs for national development

Education should prepare the learner to play an effective and productive role in the nation.

   a. Social Needs

       Education should instill social and adaptive skills in the learner for effective participation in the family, community, national, regional and international development.

   b. Economic Needs

       Education should prepare the learner with requisite competences that support a modern and independent growing economy. This should translate into high standards of living for every individual.

   c. Technological and Industrial Needs

       Education should develop in the learner necessary competences for technological and industrial development for the nation in tandem with global trends.
3. **Promote individual development and self-fulfillment**

   Education should provide opportunities to the learner to develop to the fullest potential. This includes development of one’s interests, talents and character for positive contribution to the society.

4. **Promote sound moral and religious values**

   Education should promote acquisition of national values as enshrined in the Kenya Constitution. It should be geared towards developing a self-disciplined and ethical citizen with sound moral and religious values.

5. **Promote social equity and responsibility**

   Education should promote social equity and responsibility. It should provide inclusive and equitable access to quality and differentiated education including learners with special educational needs and disabilities. Education should also provide the learner with opportunities for shared responsibility and accountability through community service learning.

6. **Promote respect for and development of Kenya’s rich and varied cultures**

   Education should instill in the learner appreciation of Kenya’s rich and diverse cultural heritage. The learner should value own and respect other people’s culture as well as embrace positive cultural practices in a dynamic society.

7. **Promote international consciousness and foster positive attitudes towards other nations**

   Kenya is part of the interdependent network of diverse peoples and nations, Education should empower the learner to respect, appreciate and participate in the opportunities within the international community. Education should also enable the learner to operate
within the international community with full knowledge of the obligations, responsibilities, rights and benefits that this membership entails.

8. **Promote positive attitudes towards good health and environmental protection**

Education should inculcate in the learner the value of physical and psychological well-being for self and others, it should promote environmental preservation and conservation, including animal welfare. For sustainable development.