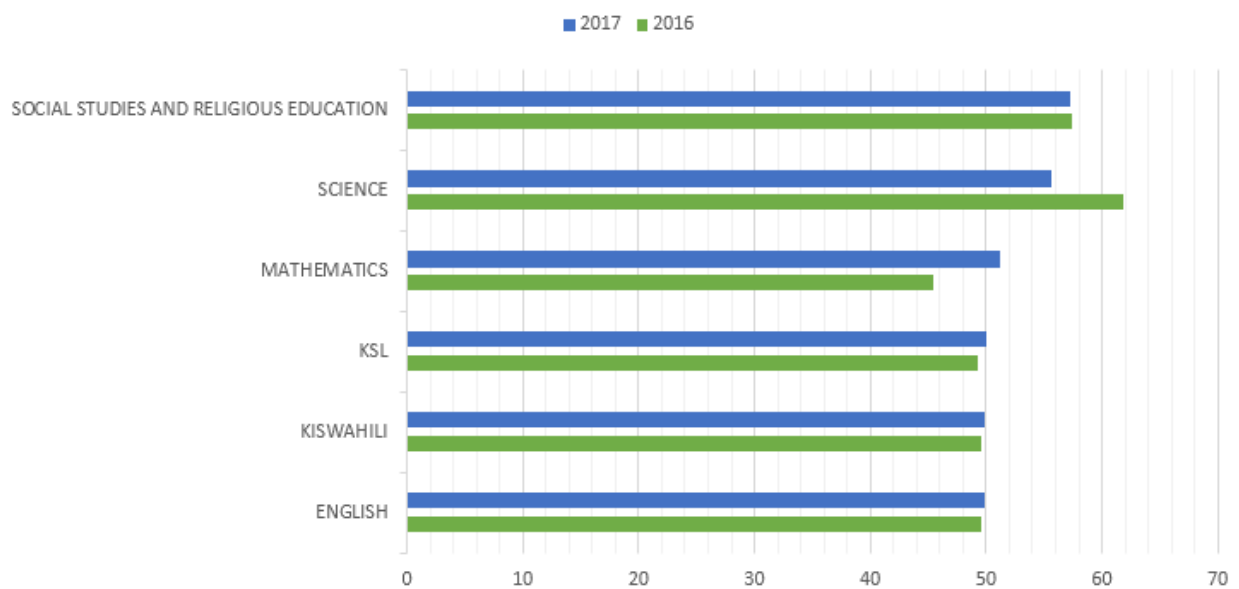


KCPE Examination Overall candidates Performance by Subject for the years 2016 to 2017

The KCPE 2017 performance recorded a significant growth in the four out of six subjects tested according to the report released by the Kenya National Examinations Council, 2018.

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Mathematics, Kiswahili, English and Kenya Sign Language improved tremendously as compared to Social Studies/C.R.E and Science which recorded a drop.

TABLE 1: KCPE EXAMINATION OVERALL CANDIDATES PERFORMANCE BY SUBJECT FOR THE YEARS 2016 TO 2017

	2016	2017	DEVIATION
ENGLISH	49.615	49.925	0.31
KISWAHILI	49.63	49.92	0.29
KSL	49.315	50.035	0.72
MATHEMATICS	45.4	51.14	5.74
SCIENCE	61.82	55.6	-6.22
SOCIAL STUDIES AND RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	57.367	57.211	-0.156

From Table 1 above, we can deduce that:-

1. Despite recording a drop, social studies and C.R.E was the most popular subject among candidates in 2017 recording a mean of 57.211, this was way above other subjects. It was followed closely by science (55.6) that saw its throne curtailed from the previous year, mathematics (51.14), KSL (50.035), English (49,925) and Kiswahili (49.92) respectively.
2. Languages (Kiswahili and English) were the most unpopular subjects among candidates.
3. Science recorded a tremendous drop at a deviation of -6.22
4. Mathematics recorded the highest improvement of +5.74, despite performing poorly in the previous year with a mean of 45.4.
5. Teachers should put more emphasis on mathematics, KSL, English and Kiswahili despite recording improvement. Their average scores in the year 2016 and to some extent 2017 were below average (50%) only mathematics and KSL pulled up a shocker.

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