Our Facilities

✚ Guest House:

The History of St. Andrew's goes back to 1982, it has 24 executive bedrooms, including one suite. All rooms are equipped with private bathroom, writing desk, and refrigerator. Our rooms have been thoughtfully designed combining contemporary decor and fabrics with antique lights to create a homely, stylish, and comfortable ambience.

ETVTC has a number of well-equipped rooms that can be used for conferences, workshops, lectures, and small group retreats. The Center is also well-equipped with audio-visual devices such as an LCD projector, an overhead projector, video and DVD projection equipment, and an excellent sound system.

Other Activities:

1. Church Youth Activities:

The Center provides a peaceful chapel "The Good Shepherd Chapel" for meetings, contemplation, and different activities of the youth group from St. Andrew's Episcopal Church.

2. Other Activities for Children:

During the summer, the Center does many activities for children such as drums, dancing summer programs, and technological summer camp for young kids.

This year's technological summer camp aimed to teach children about computers and technology, creative dance, culinary arts, sports, circus, and other activities. A large number of kids participated in the camp and received a lot of support from their leaders and teachers, and in turn explored their hidden abilities and talents. During the camp, the students visited the Golden Wheat Mills factory near Bir Zait and had many trips to some local swimming pools.

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"Education is the most powerful weapon which you can use to change the world."
- Nelson Mandela

To improve the knowledge, skills, and attitudes of Palestinian youth in Ramallah and the surrounding areas so that they can become creative and productive members of society through technological education, vocational training, music and arts instruction, communication skills development, and the building of intercultural understanding.

Our Objectives:

- Provide students with a graduate degree (High School Certificate) in Hotel and IT education that allows them to continue in higher education programs, or an apprentice that will give them financial security after getting engaged in the labor market.
- Provide our students with high quality technological education that teaches them how to identify and solve problems, including the design of basic systems to assist with problem solving.
- Improve employment prospects for our students by providing them with opportunities to be creative and by building the self confidence needed to fit into the fast changing world of technology.
- Provide those students who are unable to meet academic standards with an apprenticeship program that can give them the tools to achieve financial security.
- Offer social, physical, musical and artistic programs and activities to help our youth to think positively and regain hope for the future.
- Create and develop new training programs as needed.

Our Programs:

Vocational School

The ETVTC and AEES started the first Hotel Secondary School in the West Bank with a challenge of creating new opportunities in the hospitality industry in Palestine.

Our program is spread over two years, which offers a comprehensive and balanced program of study for the 11th and 12th grades. The program is mixed with professional experience, making our students distinguished in the General Secondary School System and able to get the high school certificate (Tawjihi).

A. Hotel Management Stream:

In this stream, students learn how to prepare and serve all kinds of food, how to take care and meet the demands of customers and guests.

B. Computer Maintenance Stream:

Students in this stream learn how to the basics of operating systems installation and maintenance, assembly of computers and their specifications, installation of computer networks and protection systems established in, and how to follow the latest developments and future directions in computer science.

Hotel Services Program

In 2005, the ETVTC created a hotel and restaurant services program to train food and beverage service workers for these facilities. The center intends to expand this program to provide training in other aspects of hotel service employment based on marketplace need.

Technology Education Program

The promise of the future lies not in technology, but also in our ability to understand, manage and use it. The primary goals in establishing this program are to teach students how to identify and solve problems through hands-on experience and to demonstrate how technology and science fit into society. The Center has a computer lab, an electronic and instrumentation lab, a technical drawing classroom, and a workshop for electrical and electronic tools.

Our program, which was inaugurated in 2002, currently serves more than 470 students from grades 7 to 10 from school in the vicinity of the center.

Ballet Dancing:

The Center offers ballet instruction to girls ages 6 to 16. Classes focus on the fundamentals of classical ballet, with an emphasis on the development of coordination, strength, and flexibility. The level of instruction is determined by the ability of the students. The students practice in ETVTC's ballet studio which has ballet bars, mirrors, and ample floor space to permit a number of girls to participate in the dance program.

Karate:

The Center also offers karate instruction for students from age 5 to 14. The students learn the basics of karate and they are divided into levels according to their performance. As the students improve their performance, they move on to the next level.