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ST. PETER CLAVER HIGH SCHOOL

Dodoma, Tanzania

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St. Peter Claver High School (SPCHS)

St. Peter Claver High School in Ihumwa, Dodoma was established in 2011 as partnership between the Jesuits of Eastern Africa Province and Our Lady Queen of Peace Foundation of Canada. Currently, St. Peter Claver has 51 teaching staff and 49 non-teaching staff, with a total of 1,070 students (458 girls, 612 boys). 21 students (11 girls, 10 boys) benefited from the scholarship program in 2017.

Academic Performance

A total of 194 students completed their 'O' Level studies. The school had a GPA of 2.5. A total of 33 students had Division 1, 118 had Division 2, and 35 had Division 3, while 8 had Division 4. Nationwide, the school was ranked 109th out of 3,039 schools. In the district, the school was 6th out of 91 schools.

In the 'A' level examinations the school recorded a GPA of 3.2 and was ranked 187th out of 449 schools in the nation and 9th out of 17 schools in the region. 14 students scored Division 1, 66 had Division 2, and 56 had Division 3; only 1 student had Division 4, and 1 other Division 0.

Activities/Projects Implemented

A. Internal Projects

- **Tree planting:** 2,000 trees were planted in the school garden; about 800 of the trees were supplied by the city council of Dodoma. The trees have enhanced the look of the school compound.
- **Campus ministry programs:**
 - ***Spiritual formation:*** 15 students received first Holy Communion while 9 students were confirmed in September by the Archbishop of Dodoma - Beatus Kinyaya. The school is committed to the ongoing spiritual formation of its students.
 - ***Days of Recollection:*** Every weekend, the school organizes days of recollection for students. Every class has a time when they go for recollections. All the 1,070 students of St. Peter Claver High School have benefited from the program.
 - ***Religion Class:*** these are classes are given to students who want to deepen their faith. About 50 students have benefited by broadening the scope of their faith. The class is optional and is not examinable.
- **Completion of Dispensary:** The school completed one side of the dispensary which was left uncompleted for a long time. Students can now receive immediate first aid support from the school dispensary.
- **Chicken project:** The school initiated a chicken project which ensures production of chicken every four months. The entire school community benefits from the project.

B. External Projects

- **Exchange programs:** St. Peter Claver High School continues to collaborate in both academic and faith programs with other external schools. The exchange program has been invaluable due to the knowledge and experience shared with the partnering schools.
 - ***St. Benno Secondary School:*** In 2017, 3 students and 3 staff members took part in exchange programs to St. Benno in Dresden, Germany. 6 students and 3 teachers from St. Benno also took part in the exchange program for a period of 3 weeks. During their stay in Dodoma, they bought and planted 800 trees with the students at St. Peter Claver, helped in the construction of a basketball court and toilets at Chamwino Secondary School in Dodoma.
 - ***Our Lady's Catholic High School:*** 9 students and 3 teachers from St. Peter Claver went to Our Lady's Catholic High School in Preston, United Kingdom for a period of 1 month, while 6 students and 3 teachers from Our Lady's Catholic High School took part in the exchange program for a period of 2 weeks. During their stay, the students and staff from Our Lady's helped to install 20 refurbished computers and complete construction of classrooms at Ihumwa Primary School.

