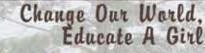
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A Letter from Polly

Dear Friends.

Thanks to your support, the Sega Girls School has been overflowing with exciting activities this term. Highlights of the past two months include:

 The School hosted numerous visitors, including Nurturing Minds Board Members and other volunteers. The students seized the opportunity to practice their English and connect with people of all ages from the US.





Teachers and students bond over a walking and crawling tour of ancient caves in Tanga

- Form I and Form II students took field trips to historical and cultural sites in Dar es Salaam and Tanga, sponsored by UNITE. For most of the girls, it was the first time they had visited either of these places. Thank you UNITE!
- Form I girls reached out to a local orphanage, spending a day assisting with the maize farm, working in the kitchen, playing football, and coloring/drawing/reading with young orphans. This gave our students the opportunity to give to others and to practice leadership skills.



 Two volunteers from the UK trained Sega teachers in how to use computers in teaching and learning in the classroom. Sega invited teachers from four neighboring schools to participate, expanding our reach into the community.

The Commerce and Bookkeeping class put business concepts into action in their local community.



Maria reaches out to a young orphan

Through all of these activities and more, our students are improving academically and growing in confidence

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None of this would be possible without your continued support of our energetic, wonderful girls, and the development of this very special school.

Thank You, Polly Founder & Director

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Visitors to the Sega Girls School





Board members and supporters from the USA visited the school with their families and enjoyed seeing first-hand how their donations are making a difference.

Student Highlight - Farida Ally

My name is Farida Ally and I live at Kihonda, Morogoro. My parents are farmers and mother also sells pastries in the streets. Due to my parents being poor it was hard for me to finish school and I dropped out during Standard 5. Fortunately, there was one lady who took me to work in her house as a



house girl. My life at that house wasn't bad but later on the husband of that lady started to mistreat me.

Since I joined SEGA my life has changed completely. The nice things about SEGA are the good education and the environment. I try to practice speaking English with my teacher. I want to be a policewoman or secretary when I grow up.

If you would like to sponsor Farida Ally, or find out more about our Student Sponsorship Program, please contact Chris at crh@usscseating.com.

Fundraising in the USA

Special thanks to our dedicated supporters who coordinated the following events:

- Merck Soccer Tournaments, coordinated by Michael Grogan, raising over \$3700
- Walk-a-thon, Connecticut, coordinated by board member Ashley Moran and raising over \$1500
- New York City Swim coordinated by Deb Gaffaney, raising \$1800
- 5K Run in Colorado, coordinated by Elizabeth Foster, raising \$2400

Join our Upcoming Third Annual African Evening in Colorado

Hosted by the Nurturing Minds Rocky Mountain Chapter Friday October 7 at the Colorado National Golf Club in Erie. For info and tickets please visit www.nurturingmindsinafrica.org

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