

The Importance of Educating Girls in Tanzania

Tanzania, one of the poorest countries in the world, has one of the lowest secondary school enrollment rates, and one of the highest dropout rates of girls – only one in four girls continues past 7th grade to secondary school.

(Global Development, Guardian.co.uk, 2011)



Education = A Better Life

The most effective way to assist vulnerable and disadvantaged girls in Tanzania is to provide a quality education. Research has shown that educating girls at secondary level results in:

- higher wages and better jobs
- delayed marriage and lower birth rates
- better health, nutrition, sanitation, immunization and education levels for their own children

(Women Hold Up Half the Sky, Global Economics Weekly, March 2008)

... There is an emerging consensus that empowering women to realize their full potential can break the cycle of poverty, create prosperity and generate other transformative outcomes. When 10% more girls go to secondary school, a country's economy grows by 3%.

(High-impact giving to women and girls, Bank of America Corporation, 2011)

Other Ways You Can Make a Difference

- Start a Nurturing Minds chapter in your area
- Make a donation in lieu of gifts at special occasions
- Sponsor a girl
- Volunteer your time in the U.S. or at the SEGA school

Contact us for additional ideas on how to become involved.

Donate

Online: nurturingmindsinafrica.org

Or send your tax-deductible gift:

Nurturing Minds, Inc

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Nurturing Minds is at the forefront of providing quality education for girls, by raising funds and offering technical support for the construction and development of the SEGA Girls School in Tanzania.

Nurturing Minds, Inc, is a U.S.-based non-profit organization seeking to make a difference by educating Tanzanian girls who are poor, marginalized and at-risk of becoming involved in exploitative forms of child labor. Working with its Tanzanian partner, SEGA.



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Nurturing Minds and the SEGA Girls School



Educating and Empowering Tanzanian Girls

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Building a Brighter Future for Tanzanian Girls

The SEGA School (Secondary Education for Girls Advancement)

The Girls School is a residential secondary school in Tanzania that educates vulnerable girls who are unable to attend school due to extreme poverty. SEGA was founded in 2008, and just graduated the first class in 2013.

The School's goal is to be a center of excellence for teaching, learning and leadership development in both academic and life skills. School businesses teach practical skills for entrepreneurship, while generating income to ensure long-term sustainability.

SEGA students graduate with a high school diploma and are empowered to not only make changes in their own lives, but also in their families and communities. This allows them to pursue employment opportunities that would otherwise have been out of their reach.

Quality academic education in a safe setting, emphasizing

- leadership
- social responsibility
- environmental care

School businesses

- teach practical business skills for improved employability
- generate income to ensure long-term self-sustainability of the School

Participatory learning environment using a Tanzanian curriculum with US-based components, including

- life skills to strengthen self-esteem and decision-making
- civic responsibility and democracy
- financial management for self-reliance
- organic agriculture/food production
- computer literacy

An Ongoing Success Story

Where we are today

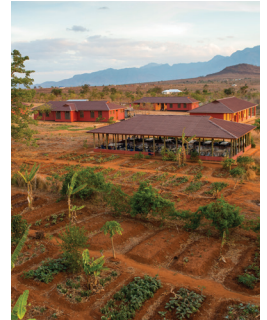
- Strong team of administrative, teaching and support staff
- 30 acre campus with 12 solar-powered buildings including a computer lab, multipurpose room, library and infirmary* with a full time nurse
- Poultry farm in full operation with 3 coops and 3,000 chicks
- Water supply includes a well and rainwater capture system

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Where we are going

- Residential campus supporting a remedial class and Forms I – IV (8th – 11th grade), totaling 180 students, growing to 215 by 2015
- Leading Education in experiential learning and use of information communication technology
- A Model for Environmental Stewardship with sustainable technologies
- Working toward financial self-sufficiency through development of school-run businesses



A Great Way to Make a Difference!

Student Sponsorship Program

Sponsoring a student at the SEGA Girls School gives you the opportunity to be part of this venture. You connect with and follow the progress of a SEGA student, giving you a first-hand experience of seeing how your contribution is making a difference. It is widely recognized that education of girls is a powerful way to reduce poverty in their lives, families and communities.



Both levels of sponsorship supply:

- food
- uniforms
- books and educational materials
- medical examinations
- recreation equipment
- teachers salaries
- transportation

Two Sponsorship Levels

Scholarship Sponsor \$750 Annually

At this level, there are three sponsors per student.

You receive:

- Student biography & photo
- Academic update twice a year
- The opportunity to correspond with your student, with at least 2 letters from your student annually

When you sponsor a girl our team helps you connect with your SEGA student.

Tree of Knowledge Sponsor \$2,500 Annually

You are the sole sponsor of a student.

You receive:

- Student biography & photo
- Academic update twice a year
- The opportunity to correspond with your student, with at least 2 letters from your student annually
- Dedication on the Tree of Knowledge mural at the SEGA Girls School