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Change the future: Educate a child

The time is NOW for secondary school entrance tests and sponsorships!



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Education is the key to helping people lift themselves out of poverty. Your sponsorship of a student is the most direct, the most-needed, and the most life-changing assistance you can provide. While primary schools in Tanzania don't charge tuition, the families must still provide uniforms, supplies and cover lunch costs. For families with little to no income during this pandemic, that is an impossible task.

Students in Form 7 will be taking their exams in Oct. to determine which secondary schools they are eligible to attend. The highest performers have the option of attending a boarding school focused on STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering and Math). These schools offer the best education for students and are correspondingly more expensive.

The next option for secondary school is a non-STEM boarding school. These schools offer the advantage that students can focus on their studies without being required to spend multiple hours walking back and forth from home each day. This also means that they are less likely to be required to miss classes due to the need to help out at home.

The final option is for students to attend a "local" secondary school. These are often several miles away and obviously take the students many hours each week walking from home to school and back each day.

Here are four options to support Tloma Primary School students or outstanding graduating students who want to continue their education at the secondary level.

Typical Annual Sponsorship Costs

Support Level	Annual needs	Primary School	Secondary Day School with 2-3 mile walk each way	Secondary Boarding School	STEM Boarding School for High Achievers
Basic	Uniform & shoes	\$45	\$55	\$55	
Meal	Daily Lunch	\$75	\$120	\$120	
Full Support	Includes above plus tuition, supplies, medical tests, etc.	\$135	\$285	\$425	\$1500-1700
Four Year Pledge	All-inclusive education	\$540	\$1,140	\$1,700	\$6000-6800

We encourage a multi-year commitment to ensure your student completes his or her education, typically 4 years for secondary school. (Paid annually or in one lump sum)

When you sponsor a student, you will receive periodic updates on them and correspondence from them.

The school year runs from January through December with breaks in between. For students in the last year of primary school, secondary school selection, entry testing, and student registration begins in October. Students need to know if they have sponsorships before they can apply. The available spots are limited and therefore applying early is important to getting a spot. Please let us know as soon as you can if you'd like to sponsor a student!

If you met a student you wish to sponsor, we will try to accommodate that. If you'd like to sponsor one of our featured students (see article), we will also accommodate that. If you'd like to sponsor the "next candidate in line" we'll let you know who that is.

Some safari companies contribute to the Tloma Primary School and may have options for

sponsorships. We will be happy to provide any assistance we can if you choose that avenue of support.

If you have any questions, please email <u>TlomaGivingInfo@gmail.com</u> or call Winona 435.754.6878 Mountain Time in the US. You can message us through Facebook (Tloma Primary School) or WhatsApp.

Top three High Achieving Students to sponsor

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Isack Isdori is the #1 ranked student in this year's Form 7 class. He is a good leader and excels in science. He wants to be a pilot. Two years ago, his father died and as his mother had no job, he went to live with his grandmother. She was not able to provide for him either and he ended up living on the street. His teachers at Tloma Primary School went searching, found him and were able to secure funding for food and school supplies so that Isack could return to school. From this rocky start he has been able to focus on his studies and excel as a class leader and achieve the top spot in the 2020 class. However, without your help, he will not be able attend one of the STEM secondary schools to achieve his dreams and fulfill his potential.



Erickson Paulo is ranked #2 in this year's 2020 Form 7. He excels in science and hopes to become a doctor. He is fortunate to live with both parents in the village of Tloma, however his parents do not have adequate employment to support the STEM secondary school that he needs to achieve his potential and pursue medical studies.



Winifreda Selestine is 13 years old, in Form 7. Winifreda is an excellent student in sciences and math and hopes to become a doctor. She lives with her aunt who brought her to Tloma because the environment was not safe for her where she was living with her parents. Prior to living with her Aunt, her homelife was very unstable without proper food and care. Winifreda has demonstrated her strength and determination to overcome the difficulties of her earlier years. However, she needs financial support to attend a STEM boarding school to achieve her dream of becoming a doctor and serving her community.

Why Sponsor a Tloma student?



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Interview with Carolyn Diamond from Omaha NE

"Rarely do you have a chance to make a fundamental change in someone else's life. When you

can, it's really worth it." This response from Carolyn Diamond explains why she is so committed to sponsoring a Tloma student for boarding school. Carolyn and her husband Dave visited Tloma Primary school in the summer of 2018 as part of a safari tour in Tanzania. Like so many of us who have had the chance to tour the school and meet the children, Carolyn and Dave were motivated to do what they could to support the young people who represent the future of Tanzania. The Diamonds have been funding Paulina's secondary school fees and supplies for the last two years. "I had a connection with Paulina right from the start," explains Carolyn about meeting the young woman she sponsors. The Diamonds have received letters and grade reports on Paulina's progress. In turn, they have written to her and shared family photos. For the Diamonds, the emotional and ethical reasons to support a student were clear. The fact that they knew "people on the ground" who would make sure the funds were spent as intended provided the fiscal reasoning as well. Carolyn had met Bertin Sulle on her visit to the school and connected to Winona through the Tloma Giving newsletter. Knowing that these individuals were committed to the education and well-being of the Tloma children gives Carolyn and Dave the reassurance that their donation would be spent wisely. Receiving the photo Winona took of Paulina receiving their letter, followed by receiving then her heart-felt thank you note completed the circle for them. The Diamonds have committed to supporting Paulina for all four years of her secondary education. As Carolyn explains, "It gives us hope for her future; we want her to finish her education and do well. We hope Paulina will be able to make a difference in her community."

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Your donations to support the children in Tanzania will now be tax deductable according to the US tax code for charitable donations. This means your dollars will go even farther to help children educate themselves out of poverty. Here are three easy ways to support the kids:

1. Make a check payable to: **Tloma Giving** and mail to:

Treasurer James Swallow, PO Box 1009, Mendocino, CA 95460

3. Make a direct deposit to our account with the following information:

Bank: Chase

Account name: **Tloma Giving** Address: **1404 E 2700 N**

North Logan, UT 84341-1641

Account No.: 626732298

4. Go to TlomaGiving.org and Use the Paypal button to give

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