

## **EDUCATION 2021 ~ Learn Today, Lead Tomorrow!**

### **Why our Education Program works!**

Since 2007 Hearts For Love Worldwide has been hosting students with full time education in Kenya. From ages 3 to 23, Nursery Class to University, our students are enrolled into our program because financially it is not possible for them or their family to manage all the costs. All our students entered in the program are either orphaned, vulnerable or living in extreme poverty. Since 2007 to the present we have had a 93% success rate with our students doing academically well, graduating, finding employment and/or being successful in life. Some students attend boarding schools, others are day school students. Students may attend a school of their choosing if it serves well as a student. A few students when placed in the program are enrolled in a school that suits them best.

Our education program has two important elements:

1. Sustainability
2. Consistency

The following factors are necessary for HFLW, students, parents/guardians, and schools or institutions:

1. Responsibility
2. Accountability

We do not ask for your money, take it, give it away to the Kenyan government, schools, or families, and hope for the best. We immerse ourselves in their lives, guiding, mentoring, and helping them. They are family!

To have continued success HFLW must maintain a sustainable number of funds, and a funding program or avenues to keep funds available to care for the needs of the students each year. Donations and educational monetary gifts are monitored closely so that they are used properly and efficiently. We hold every school director/principal accountable for funds given to them for the pupils enrolled. Receipts are accounted for all transactions throughout the year. I have reliable and trustworthy volunteers in Kenya who do the extra leg work for me when I am not there. Without sustainability, we cannot be consistent in our endeavors with our students. The children that we choose have been in situations for years that they have not been able to consistently go to school. Most of the children have gaps of two to four years with no education. Our role, to not allow this to happen! When we enroll a student no matter what age or grade level, we make sure that we follow through with the student even after graduation. We help them to make good choices.

Next, we hold ourselves responsible and accountable for each student and make sure that they follow through with their goals, ideals, and dreams for their future. HFLW makes sure that the fees for their education are paid each year so the student does not have to worry whether they will stay in school or not. We have a qualified/certified counselor on staff that meets with the student at each term break, and/or at any time when necessary to assess their progress, mentally and emotionally. We hold the schools responsible in making sure that students are receiving proper education, tutoring, and counseling at school. Each school where HFLW's students are enrolled are contacted several times each year to find out the progress of our students.

Parents/guardians are held responsible and accountable as well. They must attend parent/teacher meetings through the year. We expect parents to be positive and encouraging with their child so that they perform to the best of their ability. If possible, at least one parent is to remain employed always. We do not expect their financial support but if they can contribute in a monetary way it is minimal, creating responsibility. Orphans are fully supported by HFLW.

As for the individual students, themselves they are held accountable and have responsibilities that they must do to stay in the program. Each term they must meet with our counselor, send their report card and other school news to me. We personally do report card reviews, setting goals for the future. We expect to see improvement and encourage them to always do their best. Those students enrolled with Wisesteps Academy and Esther Preparatory School will have their paperwork sent directly to us from the school staff and we will respond via through the school officials.

The reason that I live a large portion of each year in Kenya is so that I can meet with the students, parents/guardians, and school principals and teachers of each student. I am available most every day out of a school year to make sure that what we are needing to accomplish happens!

Career Day was introduced in 2015 and is now an annual event. We have speakers come from all walks of life telling their success stories. Other activities include workshops where the children learn morals, values, ethics, leadership skills, self-esteem, confidence, and basic skills of living. The world can be unkind to these children of poverty and those who are orphaned. We must ensure that they know how to survive in the bleakest of times. It isn't all work and no play either. We personally spend 9 months each year in Kenya at our own expense to monitor and mentor students and families in the program. We hold special luncheons for the students which they receive cards and letters or small gifts from their US sponsors. We personally spend time with all our kids!

For our Education program to be successful each year we ask for monthly donations or yearly one time giving so we can sustain our consistent care of our students. A successful program relies on sponsors too! A sponsor may give a basic monthly amount of \$25 to a child making sure that the school fees are paid, and a daily lunch is taken. School supplies and other needs such as uniforms, shoes, book bags and medical care are given when the funds are available through our education fund. We ask that if you decide to be a sponsor that a commitment is made for one year. Each year we ask if you would like to commit for another year and so on. A sponsor receives photos, correspondence, newsletters and their students report card. A sponsor can interact or remain anonymous if they choose. If a sponsor discontinues their sponsorship with a child, although we certainly hope that they do not, HFLW does not dismiss the child from the program. Our education fund continues to pay the school fees so that they can remain in school undisturbed while we relocate another sponsor to take on the responsibility.

100% of your donations/sponsorship fees are used for purposes intended and that means the children and their needs. Myself and those who work with our organization are all volunteers and we receive no money for our services.

Become a sponsor of a child in Kenya. Help a child to Leave Poverty Behind (2016), and Rise to the Top (2017) and with Knowledge being Power (2018) they can be Educated to Elevate (2019) and Empower themselves as the Next Generation (2020) so they will Learn Today, and Lead Tomorrow! successfully through education! Make it a family affair, or a workplace challenge. Churches and schools are encouraged to fund raise for our students in Kenya. To get started with sponsoring a child, go to How to Sponsor on the website, contact me at any time and additional information can be given on becoming a sponsor but really it is easy....Say YES! and I will find you a beautiful child that needs you. I look forward to having you with us!

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