

Welcome
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Bienvenidos
Mulishan



Students in Uganda

Who
is
this?



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What do kids want
more than
anything?



Would you believe...?

EDUCATION!

(ie, school? Classes? Teachers!!?)



Why don't they go to school?
Why can't they go to school?
What's school like for other kids?
Does someone want to come and
take my math class?
(ha ha)

A classroom in Zambia







Let's pretend...
You live in a country in Africa



PS- Primary School



Congratulations! You've attended elementary school and can probably read, do simple math and have some very basic knowledge of science and geography.

SS- Secondary School

Congratulations! You're one of the 60% (actually, quite a bit less) of the population of kids who has had the privilege of attending secondary school. While conditions were overcrowded, highly competitive, and very traditional, your family was able to scrape together the money needed to pay for your books, your tuition, your uniform, your transportation and to give up the money that you could have been earning if you had been out on the streets, working.

NOTE: The reality in most countries (Kenya, Tanzania and Zambia) is that only a third of you would be standing up.



PS SS ♀

Congratulations! You're one of the very rare 17% of girls (or lower) who is able to attend *both* primary and secondary school. If you are a girl in the class and you do not have this symbol on your card, you *may* have been to primary school, but not secondary. This means chances are you can barely read (if at all), barely write your name (if at all) and have very few options for earning a living.

What are the options for girls who have little to no education?



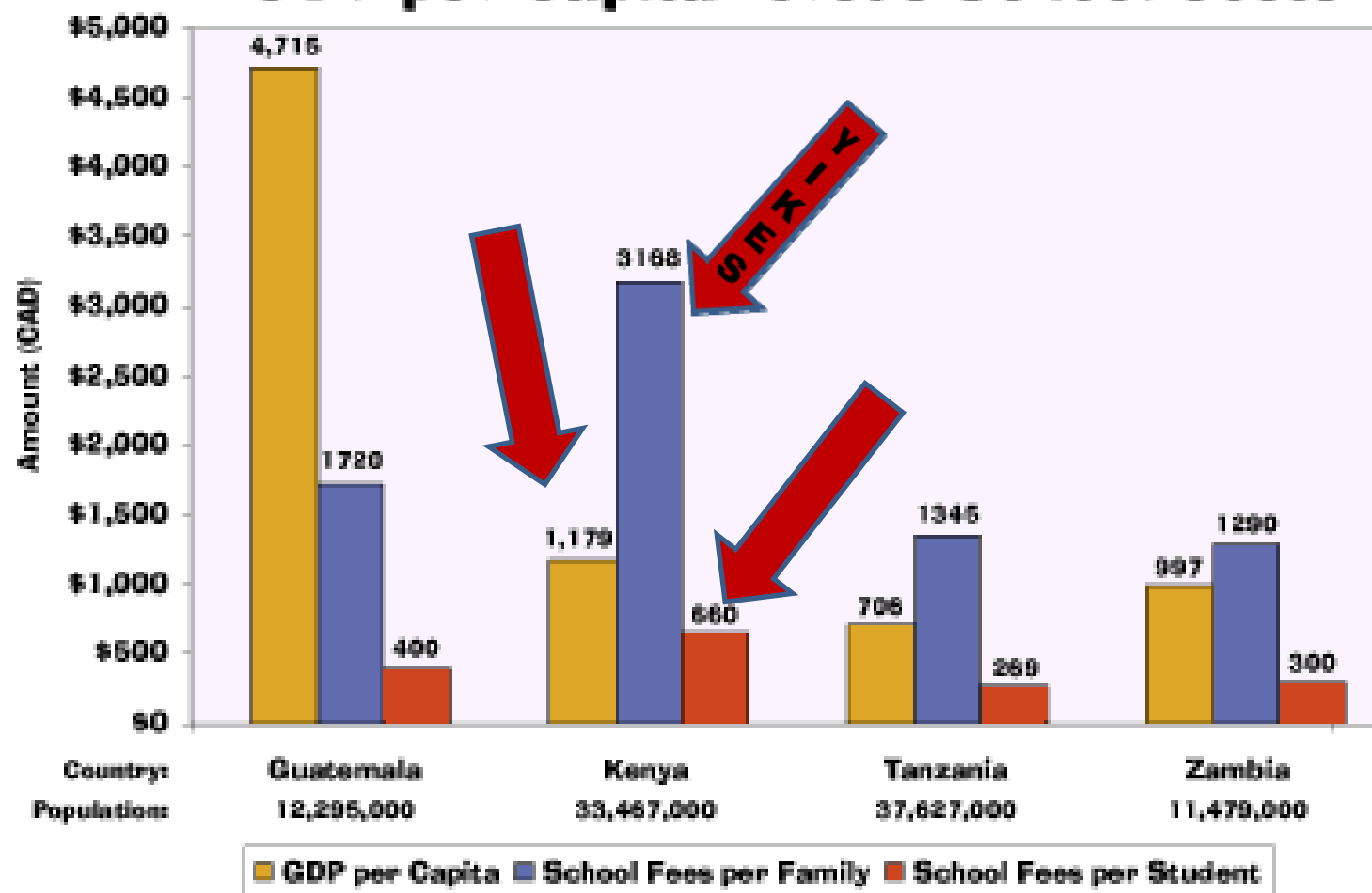
Anne Ngendo



Unfortunately, you are one of the many children whose parents or family is dead, or too poor, or too indebted, or too sick to afford to send you to *either* Primary or Secondary school. You can not read, write or do basic math. You earn a very meagre living working.

What kind of life is open to you?
What kind of jobs can you have?
What are your dreams, realistically?

GDP per Capita versus School Costs



Sources and Notes

GDP per Capita and Population figures from UNESCO UIS Country Profiles

School Fees per Student estimated from very limited data collected in 2000 by HYTES

School Fees per Family is a calculation based on the School Fees per Student multiplied by the average number of births per woman.

Average number of births per woman from UNESCO UIS Country Profiles.

To recap:

85 % of students are able to attend primary school (This can be a lot less depending on the country)

60 % of students can attend secondary school
(In Kenya, as well as other countries, this drops to only about 24%)

Only 17% of girls in sub-Saharan Africa can attend secondary school



Students like
you...

TIYESI MOYO

4.1

PERSONAL BACKGROUND AND CURRENT LIFE SITUATION.

- My name is Tiyesi moyo. I am 15 years old. I am born alone in my family. My father died before I was born. I was in my mother's pregnancy. After I was born my mother also died during my birth. So both parents are dead. My uncle and sister are responsible for me. My sister, the one I live with, does not work. She sells groundnuts on the streets. She does not get enough money for the home because she has children also to look after and she's lame.
- I have been doing some work for people to get money. This means I don't concentrate at school work because I have to find money for school fees and food. Hence, my performance is not very good.

Therefore, if HYTES came to my aid I would do my best and improve.

4.2.

PLANS AND ASPIRATIONS

- I am determined to complete school if only I get assistance from HYTES. I have the capacity to work hard at school unfortunately I lack financial help. In ten years, I see myself becoming a Doctor. I will go to the University of Zambia and study Medicine.

Name: Kipkemoi Benedict Rotigh

Location: Litein, Kenya

Born: July 12, 1991

I was six months old when my dad passed away. My mum told me he hanged himself on a tree as a result of family poverty and frustration. I am the last born in our family of three girls and two boys.

We passed through a lot of challenges in life and sometimes we could sleep without dinner. I thought this happens to all the families until when I realized that we were poor when I was seven years old.

My mum passed away four months ago because the lungs disease and we remained orphans. I am now forced than before to work hard both academically and economically to filled the gap my parents left to make better future

4.2 ~~Corr~~ family is very large and poor that is at of one grandfather it comprises three grandmother. My grandmother being the first one she has twelve children, the second one having ten children and the last one having eight children.

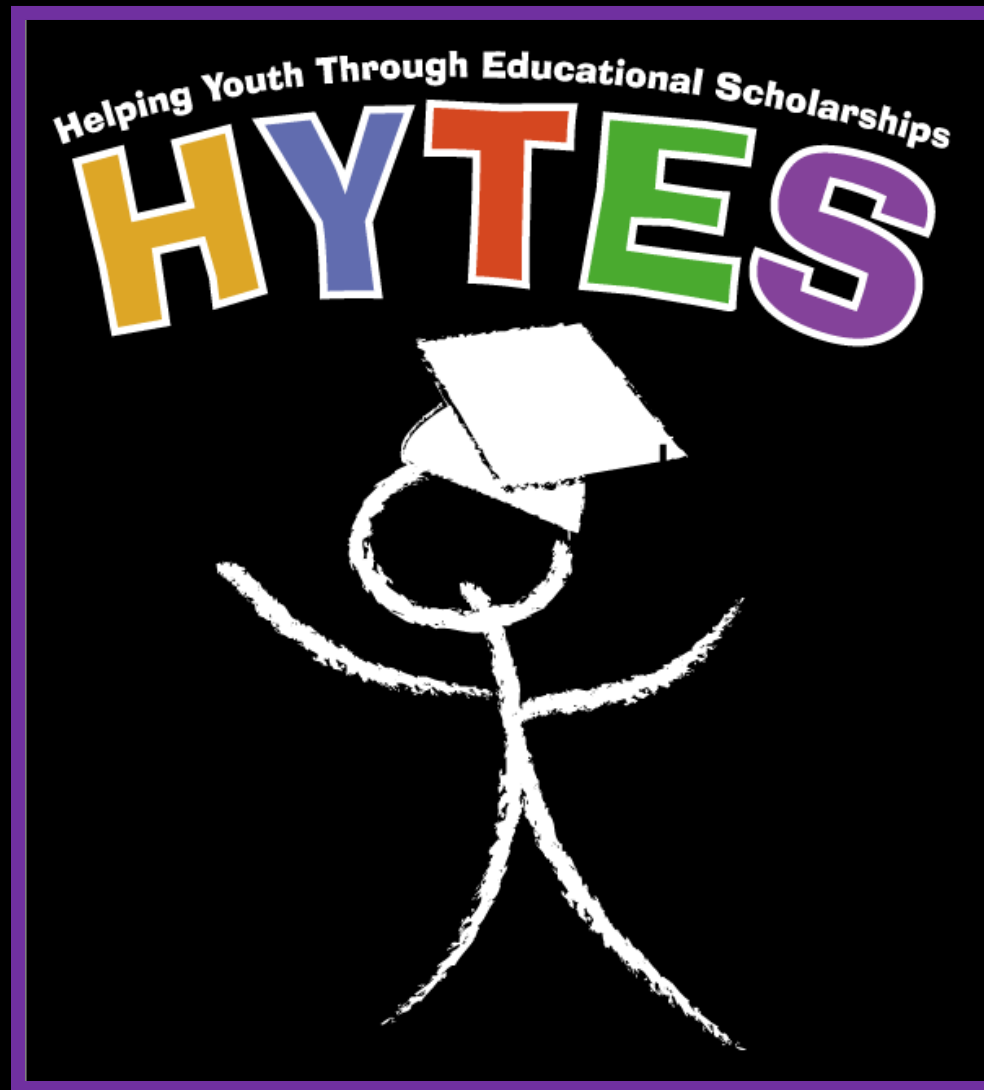
My grandfather is struggling as much as possible to provide despite the fact that we are many and my grandfather's homestead is small and we have no occupation. Most of my aunts are not yet married but they have their children at home who also depend on my grandfather and also they themselves depend on my grandfather.

I have encountered much problem in my academic in that every now and then I am being sent home for school fees and mother is unable to pay me just because of her disability I have been suffering and missing a lot at school.

Despite all these problems I am struggling as much as possible to fulfill my goal and see to it that my family and I live a better life in future.

I therefore gladly look forward for your support, please assist me.

What does HYTES do?



What more can be done, by kids like you?

1. Learn about it! You've already done that right now! Raising awareness is the first step to changing a situation
2. Tell others what you have learned here.
3. Keep learning more! (www.hytes.org)
4. Appreciate and value the education you are receiving
5. Are you interested in fundraising? Creating a club? We can help you with ideas you have, or give you some ideas...

FUNDRAISING IDEAS:

1. Pledge of silence. Collect pledges for refusing to talk for a certain amount of time – 24 hours?

2. Pledge of homework. Show how much you appreciate homework by pledging to get it all done for a certain amount of time! One week! Two weeks? Increase the time and increase the pledges! (A teacher thought up this one, can you tell?)

3. Success cards? See our package...

4. Give up a birthday present, holiday present, etc.

5. Other ideas?

