



August 2026 Back to Learning: Education and Opportunity

Education doesn't happen just in a classroom.



As students across the United States head back to school, learning is also happening every day in the communities we serve in Tanzania.

Sometimes it happens at a school desk. Sometimes in a rice field. And sometimes beside a veterinarian with a stethoscope in hand.

In Mwanza and rural Nainokanoka, education looks very different—but the goal is the same: **giving children, women and families the knowledge and skills to build healthier, more secure futures.**

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Our youngest students build their early reading, writing and math skills with teachers such as Miss Rachel, while older students work toward the increasingly challenging demands of secondary school.

Learning is difficult on an empty stomach. Our daily nutrition program provides students with a balanced meal for approximately **37 cents per student**. For some children, it may be their only complete meal of the day.

This is what makes Tumaini more than a classroom—it is a place where children are given the opportunity to learn, grow and imagine a different future.

From the Classroom to the Rice Field



Education is not only for our students.

In Mwanza, members of our women's business groups recently began a new series of seminars in personal and business finance, health, savings—and now, improved rice farming.

After acquiring an additional plot for rice production, the women met with a local rice-farming expert to learn how to prepare the land and improve their chances of a successful crop.

Then the classroom notes in hand the class moved to the field. Together they collected soil samples from their new plot for professional laboratory testing. The results will help guide soil preparation and fertilization,

followed by additional training as the women prepare the field for planting in September.

Knowledge gained in a classroom is becoming knowledge put to work.

Learning New Skills in Nainokanoka



Nearly 500 miles away in the rural Maasai community of Nainokanoka, education looks different again.

Last month we introduced you to the new women's livestock group and the goats and sheep provided to help create sustainable family income. The learning has now begun.

A local veterinarian is teaching the 45 women how to care for and protect their animals. During their recent hands-on training, women learned to listen to heart sounds with a stethoscope and how to vaccinate animals against common local diseases.

The important part isn't simply that a veterinarian is caring for their livestock.

The women are learning how to care for the animals themselves.

And Maasai Girls Are Safely Back in School

Our 21 Maasai scholarship students have safely returned to ten Tanzanian government boarding schools for their new term. Their education continues far from home, while

community health education in Nainokanoka continues to address HIV prevention and the risks of FGM.

Learning Creates Opportunity

Whether learning happens at a school desk, in a rice field, or beside a veterinarian, education gives people something that lasts—the knowledge and skills to create change for themselves, their families, and their communities.

Thank you for making these opportunities possible.

With gratitude,

Loree Bolin and the Health & Hope Foundation Team



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