



Expansion International – Scholarship Program Questions and Answers

- **Why is a scholarship needed?**

Only around half of Kenyan students currently go on to attend high school after primary school. The average amount of schooling for adults is 4.2 years. When provided with a scholarship to attend high school, these students are given the chance to acquire an education that will make them employable and allow them time to mature so they can make better life choices.

- **Where do I send my check and do I need to include anything else?**

Expansion International's mailing address is 13176 W. Persimmon Lane, Suite 110 Boise, ID 83713. Please include your contact information (email, mailing address, phone number) so we can contact you about your student.

- **Can multiple people sponsor one student?**

There are times when someone is only able to sponsor a student for half the amount (\$195). In that case we happily have them become a co-sponsor and we find an additional co-sponsor for the other \$195.

- **How do I write to my sponsored student and are there restrictions?**

We encourage sponsors to write as often as they would like. It is a great encouragement to the students to be in contact with their sponsors and it helps them to stay on track with their schooling. The student might not receive the letter for a few months -- the time it takes to get from our office to Kenya and on to the student at school in a rural community. We encourage you to send written correspondence in the form of letters, cards, postcards and family photos to your student. However, we are not able to send other items or a package to your student at this time.

- **How old are the students that attend High School in Kenya?**

Students can range in age from 15-20, depending on whether they have had previous opportunities to attend school.

- **What happens to my scholarship if my student drops out of school?**

The scholarship will be moved to another student on the waiting list and you will be contacted about continuing in the program with the new student.

- **What requirements are students expected to meet to maintain the scholarship?**

Each student is required to work hard in school and show effort. They must give a report of their grades annually to Expansion International Africa. Each student is also required to participate in community service activities twice a year. This may involve working at a local church, hospital, etc. to help the students learn to impact and give back to their own communities.

- **What other opportunities are given to these students?**

- Every scholarship recipient is given the opportunity to attend a three-day annual scholarship conference. The conference is designed to encourage and empower these at-risk students and provide them the chance to learn about topics that are important to them like good health practices, life skills, study skills, and spiritual growth. It also gives them the opportunity to grow together as a student community.

- **How are the scholarships impacting students and their families?**

There are currently 116 students in our program, 65 have already gone on to graduate from high school and others have gone on to attend college. These students are given the time and the tools to mature so they can succeed and make better life choices. Being able to go to school helps provides protection from the vulnerability they face as young teens to drugs, gangs, prostitution, human trafficking, homelessness, and poverty. For their families and their communities, as well as for the students, it gives hope of a better future.