

Tanzanian and American Teachers Working Together To Promote Active Teaching and Learning.



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TEACHERS



A Message from the Directors



We are excited to report that Tenda Teachers is changing the lives of students and teachers in Tanzania. We are planting the seeds of change and these seeds are sprouting! We want to personally thank you for your support. It makes a real difference in the lives of our students, teachers and schools in Tanzania. We have ambitious plans for the year ahead and will keep you updated. Thank you again for interest and support for Tenda Teachers.

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Tenda Teachers Update – September 2016

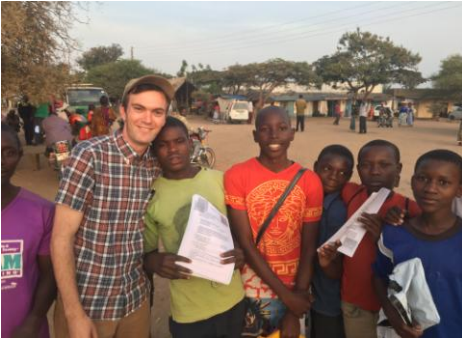
A New Name! We changed our name from Teach for Tanzania to Tenda Teachers to better reflect our mission and to avoid name confusion with another organization. Tenda is Swahili for “Act Now.” So our new name is a call to action in both English and Swahili.

Teacher Training. We trained 58 teachers and headmasters from 20 schools this summer on best teaching practices to actively engage students.



Handbook & Filming. We completed the handbook for teachers entitled: The Active Teaching and Learning Handbook: 70 Learner-Centered Teaching Techniques to Actively Engage and Motivate Students in Tanzania. It is published on the Project Zawadi website (www.ProjectZawadi.org/Programs/Tenda-Teachers). We also continued our ground-breaking film work to create a comprehensive You Tube library of Tanzanian teachers using best teaching practices in their classrooms. Check out Tenda Teachers on You Tube!

Sister Schools - Direct Connect! Students and teachers from seven schools in the U.S. and Tanzania shared cultural perspectives via letters, Skype, videos and email. Geoff Freeman, a teacher in St. Paul and facilitator of our program, was spotted by Tanzanian students when he arrived in Nyamuswa this summer. Adrian travelled to the United States in February and met with students and teachers in St. Paul, including Ian Keith's classroom below.



Books for Africa and Little Libraries. Tenda Teachers in collaboration with Project Zawadi, our sponsoring organization and Zinduka, our local development partner, secured a donation of 22,000 books from Books for Africa and raised money to create Little Libraries in 16 schools with bookshelves and desks. Students helped sort and transport the books to 20 area schools.



Train-the-Trainer Pilots. We created two pilot Train-the-Trainer models to provide teachers with ongoing professional development. The teachers from our summer workshop are conducting monthly trainings at their schools with the help of Tenda Teachers. We are in discussions with the Bunda Rural School District to pilot a low cost, high quality training program that could serve as a model for the country.



National Teacher Training Conference. We laid the groundwork this year for a national teacher training conference in Tanzania scheduled for April 2017. The goal is to create a model teacher training program for all primary and secondary teachers in Tanzania.



English Bridge Program. We created a two-month English language bridge program between primary and secondary school that provided intensive English instruction to 77 students. We are expanding this program to include 4 sites in year two.

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