

Schools for Africa

Transforming Lives Through Education



A classroom of first grade students at the Gedayasu Primary school, which is found in the drought-affected part of the Amhara region.

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Making a Difference

With support from the Delta Kappa Gamma Society International and others, the Schools for Africa Program is:

- Benefiting nearly 30 million children, with a special emphasis on girls and children living in extreme poverty.
- Increasing access to basic quality education in 13 of Africa's neediest countries: Angola, Burkina Faso, Ethiopia, Guinea-Bissau, Madagascar, Malawi, Mali, Mozambique, Niger, Rwanda, Sierra Leone, South Africa and Zimbabwe.
- Improving access to quality basic education through: inclusive and healthy schools; gender-sensitive education; qualified teacher and child-centered pedagogy; and safe schools.
- Promoting greater involvement of communities in children's early learning and well-being through parental education.
- Increasing access to and quality of informal learning programs and education for children in emergencies.
- Using an equity strategy to increase education rates for girls, rural and urban poor, ethnic minorities and indigenous populations.

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Every Child Deserves a Quality Education

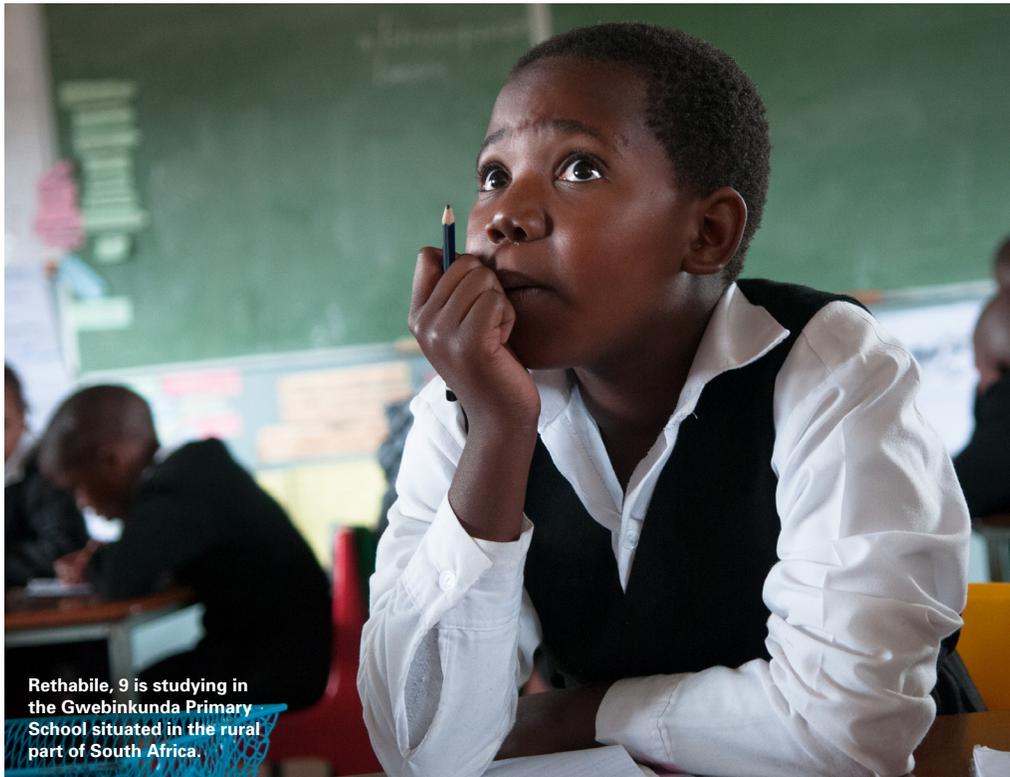
In Africa, more than 38 million children and adolescents are still out of school. They miss out because of inadequate school facilities and poor teacher training. In addition, many schools lack gender-separate sanitation facilities, often causing adolescent girls to stay home. Poverty also forces children to drop out of school early to help support their families.

Schools for Africa is a partnership among UNICEF, Peter Krämer Stiftung and the Nelson Mandela Foundation, that is helping millions of children access a quality education. By providing funds to support this critical program, Delta Kappa Gamma Society

International — a professional organization of women educators and a longstanding U.S. Fund for UNICEF partner — is helping to secure a brighter future for Africa's children.

UNICEF's Work in Education

For more than 65 years, UNICEF has worked to provide every girl and boy around the world with an education. Today, thanks to support from partners like Delta Kappa Gamma Society International, more than 30 million children are benefiting from child-friendly schools, norms and interventions, increased access to quality education, improved physical and learning environments and enhanced teaching and learning processes. ■



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“One day I want to be a nurse because it is important to help others.”

Rethabile, 9 is studying in the Gwebinkunda Primary School situated in the rural part of South Africa.

In South Africa, Rethabile, age nine, is thrilled that UNICEF’s Schools for Africa program came to her village to rehabilitate her school. “One day I want to be a nurse because it is important to help others,” says Rethabile. If she works hard in school, Rethabile will probably make that happen, despite the fact that she is living in one of the most disadvantaged areas in South Africa. In 2005, her odds might have been very

different. At that time, the primary school where she studies was overcrowded and lacked heating, lighting and learning materials. It was also notorious for its poor school results. By providing students like Rethabile with access to trained teachers in a quality learning environment, Schools for Africa is empowering children to realize their rights and dreams. ■

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