

AFRICA SCHOOL



ASSISTANCE PROJECT

Scholarship Available: Volunteer to Build a School in Africa

The Africa School Assistance Project (www.AfricaSchoolAssistanceProject.org) builds schools in rural Tanzanian villages and each summer leads volunteer groups to live in the villages and work on the schools. It is a life changing experience for anyone with an adventurous spirit and a big heart!

High School Student Trip: June 5-17, 2020

ASAP will lead a group of high school students on a volunteer trip to live in a village and build a school. Volunteers will be expected to work hard on a variety of projects during the day and enjoy camping under the African sky at night. But it won't be all hard work – we will also study sustainable development in East Africa and the trip will include a safari in world-famous game parks before returning to Denver! Students will be chaperoned at a minimum of a 5:1 ratio and will receive 50 hours towards community service graduation requirements (if required by your high school).

The cost of the trip is \$4,000 however, ASAP has scholarship funds available for one deserving student. This scholarship will benefit a highly deserving student who could not otherwise pay for the trip.

Qualified students must be enrolled in high school for the 2019-2020 academic year, hold or be eligible for a US Passport and submit the application, plus two letters of recommendation, by December 1, 2020. Applications should be mailed to: Africa School Assistance Project, 191 University Boulevard, #285, Denver, CO 80206. Scanned applications can be submitted electronically to Zach@AfricaSchoolAssistanceProject.org.

Applications and all personal information will be kept confidential. The recipient will be chosen by our Scholarship Selection Committee. If you have questions, please email ASAP Executive Director Zach Swett (Zach@AfricaSchoolAssistanceProject.org) or call 720-357-6522.

(*) There could be some modest costs to the student not covered by the scholarship.



2020 High School Volunteer Trip Scholarship Application

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Name	
Date of Birth and Age As of June 1, 2020	
Gender	
Home Address	
City, State, Zip	
Email	
Home Phone	
Cell Phone	
Current Grade in School and GPA	
Do you have a US Passport?	
If yes, expiration date?	
Parent/Guardian #1 Name	
Parent/Guardian #1 Email	
Parent/Guardian #1 Cell Phone	
Parent/Guardian #2 Name	
Parent/Guardian #2 Email	
Parent/Guardian #2 Cell Phone	



PERSONAL STATEMENTS

Please attach your responses to each of the three questions below on separate paper. Please keep your responses to a maximum of three paragraphs for each question.

1. Why do you want to volunteer with ASAP to build a school in Africa? Please include a little about what inspires you to pursue this opportunity and what you hope to get out of the experience.
2. How would you bring the benefits of your experience in Africa back to your community? Or, how do you think the experience will impact your plans for the future?
3. What makes you uniquely qualified to receive this scholarship? This your chance to tell us, in your own words, about who you are, how this experience will influence your life and any special circumstances you face that would prevent you from having an experience like this without the scholarship.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Please list the names of two current or former teachers (or counselors) at Kent Denver School that recommend you for this trip and that we can contact for more information:

1. Name of teacher/counselor: _____

Signature of teacher (indicates teacher recommends student for this trip): _____

2. Name of teacher/counselor: _____

Signature of teacher (indicates teacher recommends student for this trip): _____

Please also attach to this application 1) a written recommendation from a current or former teacher or school counselor (can be one of the teachers listed above), and 2) a recommendation from another person (non-family member) who can speak to your overall character or special skills.

HEALTH INFORMATION

Please be aware that you will need specific vaccinations to travel to Tanzania, and you may also choose to take prophylactic malaria medicine. These vaccinations can be obtained from your physician or from a travel clinic.

1. Please list any health conditions or health concerns (including allergies or food restrictions) that may impact your experience on this trip?
2. Are your school vaccinations up to date with your US physician?



TRAVEL INSURANCE

Travel insurance with medical evacuation coverage is required for this trip. There are many options on Squaremouth.com (an online aggregator of travel insurance). It is up to the individual family to obtain coverage.

VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

Attached is an ASAP Volunteer Agreement that you will be required to sign if you travel with us in June. Please review the document.

I promise the information provided in this application is true and I am willing to abide by ASAP policies and procedures if chosen to be a participant on an ASAP school building trip to Tanzania in June 2020.

Signed,

Student

Parent/Guardian



VOLUNTEER AGREEMENT

If I am selected to travel to Tanzania to help build a school with the Africa School Assistance Project. As a volunteer, I commit to the following:

1. Working with and respecting other members of the team;
2. Working with and respecting the culture of the people who live in Africa;
3. Respecting the beliefs and practices of the people who live in Africa. I understand that it is inappropriate to impose any of my own cultural values and beliefs on the people in Africa and will not attempt to convert or convince anyone of my belief system;
4. Physically engaging in the actual labor while working to encourage others;
5. Ensuring that at least one adult member of the team knows where I am at all times;
6. I will not give any personal items, money or other resources to any individuals in the community. Any gifts will be given through the group to the entire village with guidance from the African leaders;
7. Abstaining from technology and internet for the duration of time spent living and working in the village and while participating in various field trips and activities (students will be allowed to check-in with family via internet at chaperone's discretion, otherwise no cellphone use);
8. Paying for all of my own expenses outside of what is included in the trip cost;
9. Raising funds to support the building of the school, a minimum of \$1,500 per person.
10. Ensuring that the team leader has information about my blood type, any health conditions and special health needs that I have;
11. Having private medical coverage (travel insurance) or adequate resources to cover any emergency health needs including medical evacuation while traveling;
12. Agreeing that I will conduct myself in a responsible, respectful and safe way. If my behavior is deemed inappropriate, I can be sent home at the discretion of my chaperones.
13. Paying for my own travel should it become necessary to leave early and agreeing there will be no reimbursement for expenses of any kind;
14. Signing and following the liability release from ASAP;
15. Going with the goal of learning, building a school, having fun and developing relationships with my team members and with the people who live in Africa.

Signed,

Student

Parent or Guardian #1

Parent or Guardian #2