

2009 Elimu Africa Grant Funding Criteria and Application Instructions

Elimu Africa awards annual grants to Non Governmental Organizations or Community Based Organizations in Tanzania, East Africa that support educational opportunities for disadvantaged students. The organization must fit within Elimu Africa's mission, goals and values as outlined on the website: www.elimuafrica.org.

Grant sizes will vary each year depending Elimu Africa's available resources and on the specific needs of the applicant. Generally, each grant award will not exceed \$5,000.00. The Elimu Africa board will review grant applications at the end of July. Grant recipients will be notified by the end of August

A contract will be signed between Elimu Africa and the beneficiary organization outlining the terms and conditions for use, verification and accountability of Elimu Africa grant funds.

Elimu Africa selects projects that:

- Require a modest amount of funding.
- Have a clear outline of the needs for which they are requesting funding.
- Can provide a detailed budget and timeline, a staff outline and plans for future growth.
- Serve a larger group of people rather than an individual or family. Minimum of 20 beneficiaries is required.
- Are an official Non Governmental Organization (NGO), Community Based Organization (CGO) or school. Official NGO registration certificate must be provided.

Elimu Africa has a preference for projects that:

- Have an emphasis on the education of girls and promote gender equity.
- Are very creative and careful with their resources.
- Have a positive learning environment that does not include corporal punishment and provides encouragement and positive feedback for students.
- Serve the community. For example, provide programs to adults and other children to promote skill development, business skills, gender equity, health issues and protection of the environment.
- Have a plan for sustainability. For example, over a specified period of time, the organization will be able to pay for operational costs and for future growth with little or no outside funding.

If your project meets Elimu Africa funding criteria, please complete the application and email to g-kblick@msn.com by July 15th, 2009.