

Introduction

The USAP Community School, a program of Education Matters, is a residential 11th and 12th grade (A-Level) school that educates high-achieving, low-income Zimbabwean and refugee students. Through a holistic education, our students prepare to excel at the world's top universities, to build society in Zimbabwe and on the African Continent. We teach students skills to apply their education to solve challenges facing their communities, country and Africa. The school's foundational Honor Code is reflective of its Quaker values: Integrity, Equality, Service, Curiosity. USAP Community Schools' unique curriculum combines Cambridge A-level Sciences with African-centered Humanities, computer coding, a wide variety of extracurriculars and a yearlong capstone research project to tackle a challenge facing their community.

100% of our students are high-achieving, low-income students who are extremely motivated and talented students from challenging backgrounds in rural areas, high density urban townships and the one refugee camp in Zimbabwe and all are on need-based scholarships covering close to 95% of the cost of attendance. Given thus that we cannot sustain our operations from school fees, we are establishing a scholarship program to reach towards operational financial sustainability for our school.



USAP Community School Named Scholarship Program

Starting October 2024, we are thrilled to announce the launch of the USAP Community School Named Scholarships, for our incoming Lower- 6 (Grade 11) class who will begin school in January 2025. Our USAP criteria, which has remained our constant pillar since its founding in 1999 seeks students who meet all four USAP criteria: academic excellence, demonstrated leadership potential, an ethos of giving and economic disadvantage. Each scholarship is designed to cover the cost of the attendance for the two year A level education at our school, \$5,000 USD per year for a total of \$10,000 USD for the two years. A named scholarship will provide financial assistance for tuition, academic and student support, room and board, and co-curricular offerings, empowering students to pursue their dreams while enabling our non-profit school to move towards financial sustainability.



We invite you to be part of this transformative educational journey by sponsoring a scholarship individually or collaboratively with friends, family, USAP cohort or colleagues. Your contributions will directly support deserving students in Zimbabwe and foster their growth into tomorrow's leaders. To learn more about how to be part of the USAPCS named scholarship sponsor process you can schedule a call with the [Education Matters Team](#) and make sure to check out our USAP story in this amazing [documentary video](#).

Together, we can create lasting change!

USAPCS Scholarship Frequently Asked Questions

Can I name my scholarship?

Yes, the donor(s) will be allowed to name their scholarship(s) in honor or memory, however, given child protection guidelines there will be no direct communication between donors and students nor naming of a specific beneficiary.

Can I sponsor with a friend, colleague, as a team or with a family member?

Yes, individuals can self-identify a partner or teammates to collaborate with towards the full scholarship. All communications will be made through the identified team lead.

Are companies, organizations able to sponsor?

Yes, we are happy to offer an MOU for companies, organizations or foundations who wish to sponsor scholarships.

Is my contribution towards a named scholarship tax deductible?

Yes, Education Matters Africa Foundation is a registered 501(c)(3) tax exempt organization in the United States with EIN as 82-4727381. Your donation is tax-deductible and 100% of your funds will go toward the operations of the USAP Community School in Zimbabwe through covering a student'(s) cost of attendance.

How will scholarship payments be made?

In the United States, you can send a check made out to Education Matters Africa Foundation to:
Education Matters Africa Foundation
PO Box 966
North Haven, CT 06473

Both in the US and Zimbabwe (USD account) payments can be made via bank wire or transfer.

Payments can be made in full at the beginning of the year (January) or in two installments with the second installment due by 1 August of that academic year.