



**SCHOOL**  
THE WORLD



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# ABOUT SCHOOL THE WORLD

## OUR STORY

FOUNDED IN 2009 BY KATE CURRAN, SCHOOL THE WORLD IS A COMMUNITY-DRIVEN NONPROFIT COMMITTED TO BREAKING THE CYCLE OF POVERTY THROUGH THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF EDUCATION. KATE'S VISION EMERGED FROM A YEAR-LONG JOURNEY AROUND THE GLOBE, WHERE SHE WITNESSED FIRSTHAND THE EDUCATIONAL CHALLENGES FACED BY THE WORLD'S MOST VULNERABLE COMMUNITIES. FROM CHILDREN SHARING A SINGLE PENCIL IN TANZANIA TO STUDENTS CROSSING CROCODILE-INFESTED RIVERS IN ZAMBIA, THESE EXPERIENCES INSPIRED KATE TO LEAVE HER CORPORATE CAREER AT GENERAL ELECTRIC AND DEDICATE HER LIFE TO CREATING LASTING CHANGE.

TODAY, SCHOOL THE WORLD WORKS IN **GUATEMALA, HONDURAS,** AND **PANAMA**, EMPOWERING CHILDREN, FAMILIES, AND COMMUNITIES TO BUILD BRIGHTER FUTURES THROUGH EDUCATION. BY FOCUSING ON THE ROOT CAUSES OF POVERTY, WE CREATE SUSTAINABLE, GENERATIONAL IMPACT.

## OUR MISSION

TO SOLVE EXTREME POVERTY BY IMPROVING ACCESS TO QUALITY EDUCATION AND EMPOWERING COMMUNITIES THROUGH A HOLISTIC, GRASSROOTS APPROACH.



# 15 YEARS OF IMPACT



**162**  
SCHOOLS BUILT



**91**  
PLAYGROUNDS  
CONSTRUCTED



**945**  
CLASSROOM  
LIBRARIES STOCKED



**11,740**  
PARENTS TRAINED



**170,847+**  
CHILDREN SERVED



**2,362**  
SCHOLARSHIP &  
ALTERNATIVE  
EDUCATION  
STUDENTS



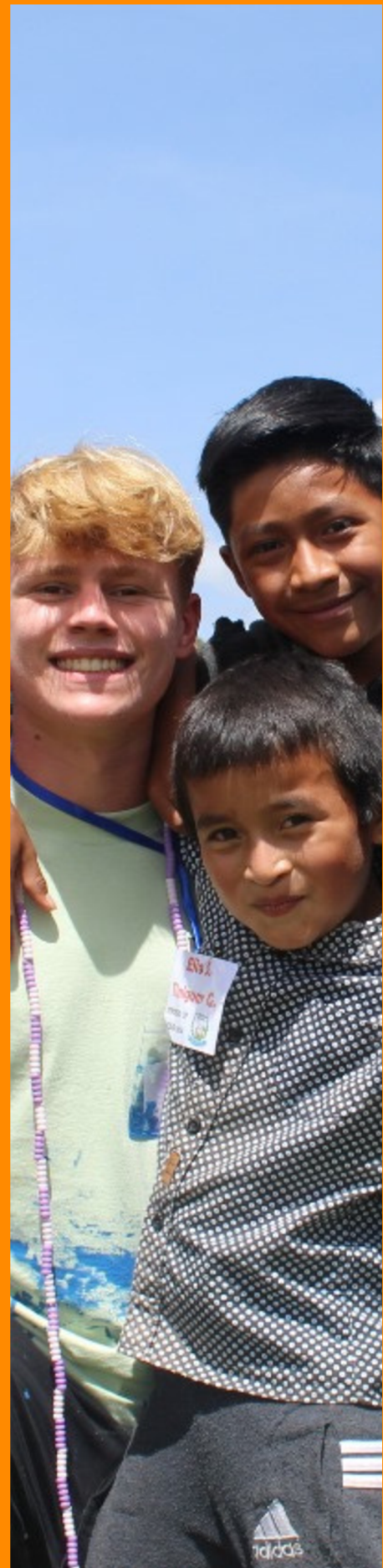
**8,275**  
TEACHERS TRAINED



**1,314**  
GLOBAL  
VOLUNTEERS  
INSPIRED



**6,134+**  
EARLY CHILDHOOD



# OUR PHILOSOPHY AND APPROACH

## WE BELIEVE:

- EVERY CHILD HAS THE POTENTIAL TO LEARN AND THRIVE.
- EVERY PARENT WANTS A BETTER FUTURE FOR THEIR CHILDREN.
- EVERY TEACHER ASPIRES TO MOTIVATE AND INSPIRE STUDENTS.

## OUR APPROACH:

WE COMBINE GRASSROOTS COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT WITH GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP INITIATIVES TO TACKLE THE COMPLEXITIES OF GENERATIONAL POVERTY. OUR COMPREHENSIVE STRATEGY INCLUDES:

- **BUILDING SCHOOLS & PLAYGROUNDS:** CREATING SAFE, STIMULATING ENVIRONMENTS FOR LEARNING.
- **EMPOWERING PARENTS:** TRAINING PARENTS TO ACTIVELY SUPPORT THEIR CHILDREN'S EDUCATION.
- **TRAINING TEACHERS:** EQUIPPING EDUCATORS WITH INNOVATIVE STRATEGIES TO ENHANCE CLASSROOM OUTCOMES.
- **PROVIDING RESOURCES:** SUPPLYING LIBRARIES, DIGITAL TOOLS, AND MATERIALS TO ENRICH LEARNING EXPERIENCES.
- **SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS:** SUPPORTING STUDENTS THROUGH ADOLESCENCE TO ENSURE THEY COMPLETE THEIR EDUCATION.



# TESTIMONIALS



“THE TRAININGS HAVE TAUGHT ME HOW TO CREATE A SPACE FOR MY CHILDREN TO READ AT HOME. THESE LESSONS HAVE BEEN LIFE-CHANGING, ESPECIALLY DURING THE PANDEMIC. I NOW FEEL CONFIDENT SUPPORTING MY CHILDREN’S EDUCATION.” - **HILARIA, MOTHER, GUATEMALA**

“THE DIGITAL TOOLS WE LEARNED HAVE TRANSFORMED HOW WE TEACH. BEFORE, I STRUGGLED TO ENGAGE STUDENTS REMOTELY, BUT NOW I FEEL EMPOWERED TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE. - **PATRICIA, TEACHER, HONDURAS**



PARTICIPATING IN A SERVICE TRIP WITH SCHOOL THE WORLD WAS THE MOST MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCE OF MY LIFE. IT SHAPED MY CAREER PATH AND INSPIRED ME TO PURSUE HUMANITARIAN WORK.” - **GRACE, HIGH SCHOOL VOLUNTEER, USA**

## GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM

OUR GLOBAL CITIZENSHIP PROGRAM CONNECTS STUDENTS, FAMILIES, AND COMPANIES IN THE U.S. WITH COMMUNITIES IN CENTRAL AMERICA.

PARTICIPANTS:

- BUILD SCHOOLS AND PLAYGROUNDS ALONGSIDE LOCAL FAMILIES.
- IMMERSE THEMSELVES IN CROSS-CULTURAL EXCHANGE.
- LEARN THE VALUE OF COMMUNITY-DRIVEN CHANGE.

THIS PROGRAM AMPLIFIES OUR MISSION, FOSTERING EMPATHY, COLLABORATION, AND A SHARED COMMITMENT TO CREATING A MORE EQUITABLE WORLD.



# AWARDS AND RECOGNITIONS



- **EY ENTREPRENEUR OF THE YEAR FINALIST, 2019**
- **NETWORK 20/20 HUMANITARIAN AWARD, 2019**
- **HOLY CROSS COLLEGE SANCTAE-CRUCIS AWARD, 2019**
- **LAURALTON HALL CLAVEN AWARD, 2020**
- **QATAR FOUNDATION WISE PRIZE FINALIST, 2022**
- **CONCORDIA P3 IMPACT FINALIST, 2022**
- **.ORG IMPACT AWARDS FINALIST, 2022 & 2024**
- **GUIDESTAR PLATINUM SEAL OF TRANSPARENCY, 2023**
- **CHARITY NAVIGATOR 4-STAR RATING, 2023**
- **SELECTED FOR THE 2024 & 2025 HUNDRED GLOBAL COLLECTION FOR EDUCATION INNOVATIONS**
- **AWARDED 2024 SUCCESSFUL PRACTICE HONOREE BY THE LIBRARY OF CONGRESS**
- **FORBES 50 OVER 50: WOMEN LEADING THE WAY IN IMPACT**

## FEATURED MEDIA

 **DOSE OF LEADERSHIP PODCAST: BRIDGING PHILANTHROPY AND BUSINESS**

 **THE STORY EXCHANGE: WOMEN ENTREPRENEURS MAKING A DIFFERENCE**

 **NBC BOSTON SEGMENT: TRANSFORMING EDUCATION IN CENTRAL AMERICA**

 **EDUCATION EVOLUTION PODCAST: BUILDING EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITY, 2023**

# WHERE DO WE WORK?





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