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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, Panama and Philippines, 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

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EXTREME POVERTY THROUGH THE POWER OF
QUALITY EDUCATION



17 YEARS OF IMPACT

AS OF FY26



202+
SCHOOLS BUILT



118+
PLAYGROUNDS
CONSTRUCTED



1,173+
CLASSROOM
LIBRARIES STOCKED



15,352+
PARENTS TRAINED



195,245+
CHILDREN
SERVED



3,071+
SCHOLARSHIP &
SECOND CHANCE STUDENTS



8,605+
TEACHERS TRAINED



1,525+
GLOBAL
VOLUNTEERS
INSPIRED



6,701+
EARLY CHILDHOOD

[LINK TO ANNUAL REPORTS](#)



OUR PHILOSOPHY AND APPROACH

WE BELIEVE:

- We believe that all children love to learn, want to learn, and are capable of learning.
- Every parent wants a better life for their children.
- We see education as a powerful force for equity and a fundamental driver of opportunity, dignity, and long-term change for students, families, and communities.

OUR APPROACH:

Our community-based model strengthens school systems and accompanies students and families on a shared journey from early childhood development and primary school through lower secondary education, building the foundation for lasting opportunity.

We partner with rural communities to strengthen public education systems—building schools and playgrounds, equipping libraries, training teachers, and empowering parents as first educators.

Our holistic educational programming begins with early childhood, making sure children start school ready to learn, continues on to primary school with an emphasis on building functional literacy skills, and extends through lower secondary school, ensuring that young people gain the life skills needed to chart a path out of extreme poverty.

We work alongside volunteers, including community members, educators, and student service learners, who contribute through shared responsibility and side-by-side service.



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.



WHERE DO WE WORK?



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 P3IMPACT FINALIST, 2022
- .ORG IMPACT AWARDS FINALIST, 2022 & 2024
- GUIDESTAR PLATINUM SEAL OF TRANSPARENCY, 2026
- CHARITY NAVIGATOR 4-STAR RATING, 2023
- SELECTED FOR THE 2024, 2025, & 2026 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

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HOW TO GET INVOLVED

DONATE



[HTTPS://TINYURL.COM/STWDONATE](https://tinyurl.com/stwdonate)

Your gift helps bring quality education to children who need it most. Donations support scholarships, early childhood programs, and the construction of new classrooms. Many donors choose to give monthly, while others match their contributions through workplace programs.

FUNDRAISE

Turn a birthday, race, or special event into an opportunity to raise funds for education. Families, friends, and employees have created peer-to-peer campaigns that open the door to brighter futures. Companies often engage their teams through giving drives that multiply impact.

VOLUNTEER



[TINYURL.COM/STUDENTSLT](https://tinyurl.com/studentstl)

Join us in the field. Volunteers travel to Guatemala, Honduras, and Panama to build schools alongside families and experience firsthand the challenges and rewards of education in underserved communities. These trips create connections that last long after the journey ends.

PARTNER

Partnerships power our mission. Companies sponsor schools, scholarships, and service trips, often combining funding with employee engagement through service travel. Foundations and institutions co-invest in long-term programs that sustain impact for years. Community groups strengthen our visibility by hosting events and mobilizing support.

SPREAD THE WORD



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Even small actions matter. Follow School the World on social media, invite us to share our mission with your company, school, or church, and share the stories of the families and children we serve. Every conversation helps extend the reach of education.



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