

News from Arusha 2026

A dream has come true!

Opening of the Albehije Secondary School

It is currently only one class, but there are already 21 students, 5 male teachers, 2 female teachers and a full timetable - after almost 5 years of construction, school operations started on January 14, 2026.



Just a year ago we couldn't have imagined it, but Mama Hindu has shown everyone what is possible in Tanzania:



The school building is completely finished, with glazed windows, railings, 6 classrooms, and a large washroom each for the girls and the boys.



In addition, there is a staff room and a headmaster's room, a large library, and a computer room. The grounds are already completely fenced in, and the large metal gates that will secure the school building's courtyard are ready for installation.



At the moment, only one of the classrooms is being used for lessons. The boys and girls are currently sleeping in two others, the library shelves could use a bit more stock, and in the computer room, two students share one computer – but it's working. School is officially open!



The teachers cover all seven required compulsory subjects and also some of the elective subjects:

English, Kiswahili, Physics and Mathematics, Biology, Chemistry, Geography, History, Computer Science, Business Studies and Accounting, and Sports. Sewing and Fabric Design, Tour Guide Operations, and French are also offered.



Besides lessons, there's also food, of course: porridge after getting up, breakfast during the first long break, lunch after the 5th period, and dinner in the evening. The cooks are always busy!



The future boarding school building for the girls is practically finished; the showers and taps are already connected, and all that's missing are the doors to the individual rooms. Then there will be more space than at the moment, where the bunk beds almost completely fill the classroom.



The boys, on the other hand, will have to sleep in a classroom for a little longer: their proper sleeping quarters are to be built on top of the classrooms for biology, chemistry and physics, of which only the foundations exist so far, and which - as desired by the

Tanzanian school authorities - are located far away from the girls' bedrooms.



According to Mama Hindu, (almost) everything should be finished in one year, and the official opening is scheduled for the end of January 2027. I will provide further information in due course.



There is still a lot to do before then: In addition to the already mentioned building for biology, chemistry and physics with the boys' dormitories on top, the kitchen is also still missing.



Of the 21 students, only 4 pay the usual school fees. We've already found a sponsor for one student, leaving 16 who are still looking for a sponsor. And the computer lab is short of computers, the library needs books, and so on and so forth...

We've come a long way, but we're not at the end yet. And we're counting on you!