



WISER: *The Highest Outcomes for the Hardest to Reach Girls*

Global data shows that educated girls transform the health, economic development, governance, food security, and climate resiliency of their communities and countries. Maternal and infant mortality is reduced as is gender-based violence. Educated girls drive increases in GDP. Yet poor, rural girls are often missing from education, causing their communities to stay poor, sick, vulnerable to climate change, and lacking female representation. WISER partners with rural communities to produce the highest academic and health outcomes for the hardest to reach girls, empowering them to drive community change.

We know that when girls thrive, we all thrive. Our mission is to empower girls and their communities through transformative education and wholistic health.

The Challenge in Kenya and Migori County

In Migori County only 8% of girls complete secondary school and 70% become child brides. 80% of girls experience gender-based violence and the area has the highest maternal mortality rate. HIV infection is 400% higher in girls than male peers, and girls don't know their sexual, reproductive, health, and human rights. Women are missing from political and legal systems. Nairobi is the tech capital of East Africa, yet girls are not trained and employed in STEM.

Extraordinary Success: Our model is based on research and designed for impact.

By targeting the factors proven to improve girls' education and health and we have a documented, 14-year history of success. Our students come from failing schools and over 30% are orphans. Most are the first in their family to attend secondary school. Yet our girls become nationally competitive for universities and join careers in STEM. Our outcomes:

Health

- 92% reduction in pregnancies.
- 99% reduction of child marriage.
- 100% voluntary HIV testing.
- 75% reduction in HIV infections.
- 7,000 people with access to clean water.
- 43,000 students with sexual and reproductive health education.
- 250,000 school days saved with menstrual hygiene management.
- Education in sustainable agriculture.

Education and Community

- 99% graduation rate.
- 100% passing national exit exams.
- 90% attending tertiary education.
- 3X the national rate for scholarships.
- Engineering and STEM clubs.
- 60% of alumni pursuing STEM.
- Alumni network of girls from a rural area.
- Cultural change in the valuation of girls.
- Girls trained in democracy.
- 100% of students registered to vote.

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