



Hope for Haiti[®]

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Back to School



It's back to school time for the children of Haiti, and **Hope for Haiti** wants to ensure that each professor we support is qualified, enthusiastic, and well paid. There aren't many places harder to teach than in the rural communities of Haiti, where families often live on less than \$1 a day and lack the means to pay for their child's schooling.

We all must pitch in if we want Haiti's future to be a hopeful one. That's why **Hope for Haiti** places such a high premium on paying teachers

a decent wage. Schools can be more than just bricks and mortar. At their best, they're symbols of hope and prosperity – of a better life for one's children. Ensuring teacher salaries is the first step towards fulfilling this promise to Haiti's future businessmen, artists, politicians, and thinkers.

That is why **Hope for Haiti** is going back to school, too. We're using our long-standing partnerships with school directors, community leaders, and fellow NGOs to improve our monitoring and evaluation system.



What helps a child succeed in school? What gets in her way? And where can we help make up the difference? The more answers we find to these questions, the better we can equip students and teachers to succeed in school.

We're extremely excited about what we will uncover, and will send you regular updates of our progress. Three weeks into the new school year, we've already administered director and teacher surveys, distributed more accurate student attendance forms, and collected student grades and test scores for over 6,000 students! This effort is going to be big, and its' effects transformative. Become a part of it today.

Tout so ou pa konnen pi gran pase w'.
"All that you do not know is greater than you."

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