

THE GHANAIAN DREAM PROJECT

REPORT

2017



Re-orienting the mind

ABOUT US

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Final Point Foundation (FPF) is a non-profit youth organization based in Ghana. We are committed to providing the African youth with the finest resources for their motivation, and educational development.

We provide platforms to motivate and educate the youth to truly desire, hope and aspire to become RESPONSIBLE CITIZENS of Africa.

We do this to enable them become strategic agents of social progress. Our specific focus is the Ghanaian youth. Our goal is to equip them with the power of positive thinking, which is a requirement one needs now to survive and excel in a rapidly changing world like ours.

Final Point Foundation passionately offers the necessary motivation and orientation to reshape the mindset of young people in Ghana and Africa as a whole. We do this in order to create agents of positive change in thoughts and attitudes to contribute in making Africa a better place, as well as become better global citizens.

LEGAL STATUS

Final Point Foundation (FPF) is a non-profit organization with a specific focus on the youth.

It was established on 7th December, 2007 and incorporated under the Companies Code 1963 (Act 179), with registration number G-22,728 as a company limited by guarantee with the Registrar General's Department of the Republic of Ghana, West Africa.

MISSION

Our mission is to inspire millions of African youth to develop a new BELIEF SYSTEM

towards life, learning, hard work, voluntary service and patriotism; for the betterment of Africa and the world at large.

VISION

FPF's vision is to be an organization that creates a new mind set of generational life changing ambassadors across Africa.

WHAT WE DO

Final Point Foundation helps young people to dream reasonably, by encouraging them to believe positive change is possible when they apply their minds to it, and live with a purpose as well as GOOD MORAL CHARACTER. We do this in order to create a better Ghana, Africa and a better world. In pursuit of our noble objectives of re-orienting the minds of young people and giving the hopeless hope, we organize motivational and mentoring seminars for Junior and Senior High Schools, tertiary institutions, religious organizations, youth organizations and various social groups.

We donate books to students and also offer support to the physically challenged ones and we also celebrate excellence and hard work by presenting citations, branded books and Bracelet to deserving individuals and to institutions which are blazing the trail as change agents within our society.

This is because we believe that hard work must be recognized and rewarded as an encouragement. As Douglas M. Lawson said, 'We exist temporarily through what we take, but we live forever through what we give'.

LETTER FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR AND THE GDP TEAM IN ACCRA

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Dear Friends,

No matter whatever role a school plays for the success of young people, the goal is always the same: to build responsible citizens for our nation. This goal is imperative, hence becoming challenging, as the world around us keeps changing and technology has also become a part of our daily lives. It is important for students to know how to deal with everything that comes with these developments.

The development of technology opens more educational possibilities, but it also exposes young people to some negatives such as pornography, fraud, drug addiction, misinformation and cyber bullying. The solution is to invest in our students today to instill our core values in them, in order to have a nation of responsible students who shall become leaders tomorrow.

Final Point Foundation knows that the success of students extends beyond the school day, and so, in 2017, our Ghanaian Dream Project with our new strategic mission statement which calls on students to develop a new mindset about our values which provide them with new information and ask them to go out to be advocates for good works and give helping hands in schools, families, communities and throughout the nation and Africa.

In 2017, we got feedbacks from the participants from all the schools we visited. One of the students who sent us a Facebook message, said that his mind had changed for

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the better and he believed that he could do his best and help friends and communities to do better. Other students who rang us also said: "I missed the session in schools but when I came back and my colleagues were talking of the Ghanaian Dream Project, I decided to get a copy of your book, and after reading it, I have been inspired and motivated to do more to make my family and community proud of me. Thank you.

We at the Final Point Foundation believe that change is possible if we give young people guidance and also give them reasons why they must do better, they will do better and become confident in themselves to develop the core values of success leading to the development of our nation.

If young people everywhere in Ghana are educated, inspired and empowered to be responsible citizens, our dream of the Ghanaian dream will come to fruition.

We are always grateful for your support and encouragements, as we continue this journey of living the 'Ghanaian Dream' that will lead us to the 'African Dream' and eventually the 'World Dream.'

OUR TEAM IN ACCRA

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Our profound gratitude to the Final Point Foundation Team who volunteered to work hard to enable us transform minds and give hope to young people in Greater Accra Region.

To Brother Mohammed Rabi, Brother Zico Ishaq Abubakare, and Brother Ijahra Larry Chibara. Thank you for your great work for Mother Ghana. Ghana is proud of you.

ABOUT THE GHANAIAN DREAM

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The Ghanaian Dream Project is an innovative, educative and motivational programme which provides interactive platforms to educate, orient, and motivate the youth and students of Ghana to develop a positive mental attitude, a sense of purpose, responsibility, values, giving back to society and to cherish the values of patriotism.

The target group for this programme includes: students in Junior, Senior and Tertiary institutions, as well as youth organizations.

In June 2017, our 'Ghanaian Dream Motivational Project' was in the Greater Accra region. 35 letters of invitation were given across the Senior High Schools and only 9 schools responded positively to the project. The theme for the 2017 Greater Accra edition was "Repositioning the minds of today's students for Academic Excellence".

The following are the schools that responded:

Accra Academy SHS, Preset Pacesetters SHS, Fafraha community SHS, Kaneshie Secondary Technical, Madina SHS (MASSEC), Albert Academy, Kinbu Secondary Technical and Accra Technical Training Center.

During the presentation in each school, the students were taken through how to develop a new mindset about education and what education stands for, how to set goals and how to achieve their academic success. They were also taken through how to manage their time, develop new skills of

learning and being responsible students.

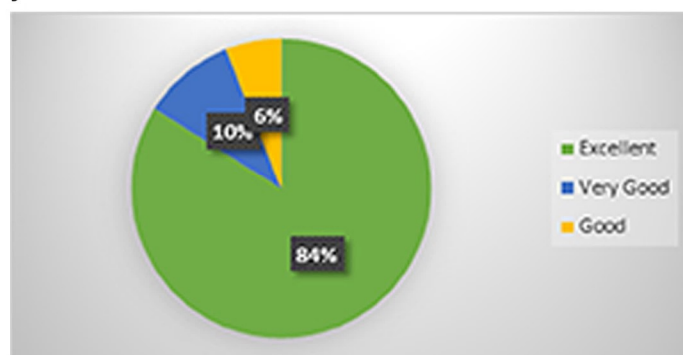
In conclusion, they were motivated to form a team in working with each other to achieve their dreams and to develop a voluntary service in helping their communities become a better place.

Over 10,000 students participated and 500 evaluation forms were given to the students across the schools and each school had 50 evaluation forms. Out of this number, 440 were submitted to the Ghanaian Dream Project's team. Hence, 60 evaluation forms were not accounted for and it may be assumed that these 60 evaluation forms were misplaced or the participants failed to submit them after the program.

The Ghanaian Dream motivational talk show evaluation forms are strictly based on the 500 questionnaires accounted for. This evaluation form was meant to evaluate the effect of the project on the students.

The evaluation form asks students on these following questions;

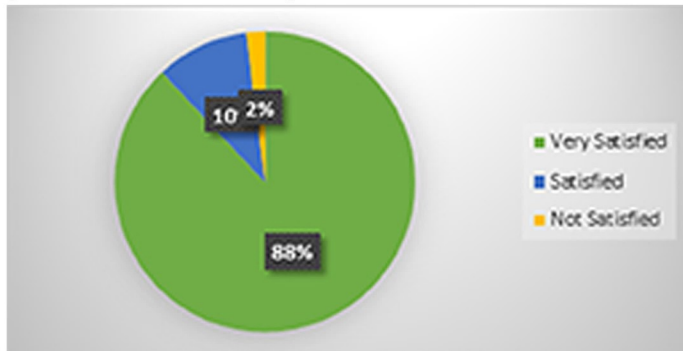
Q: How do you rate the Ghanaian dream in your school?



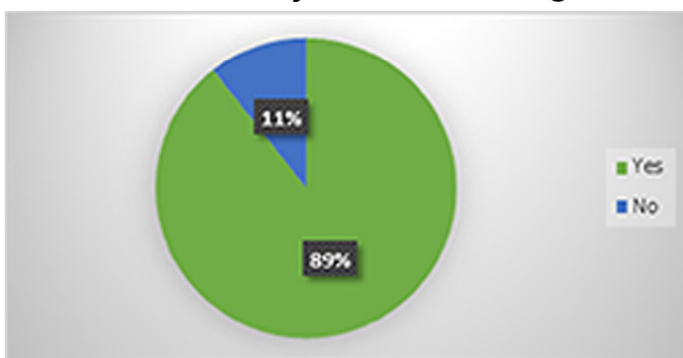
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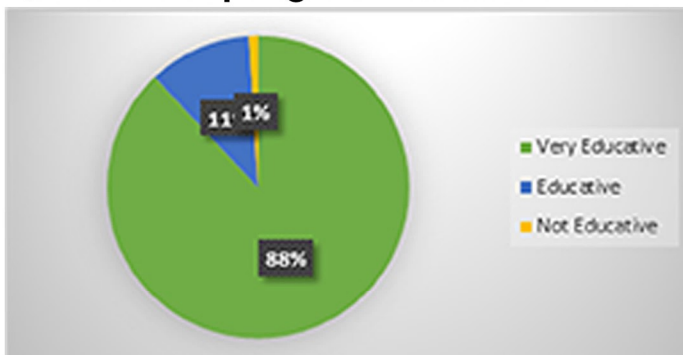
Q: Were you satisfied with the presentation/speaker?



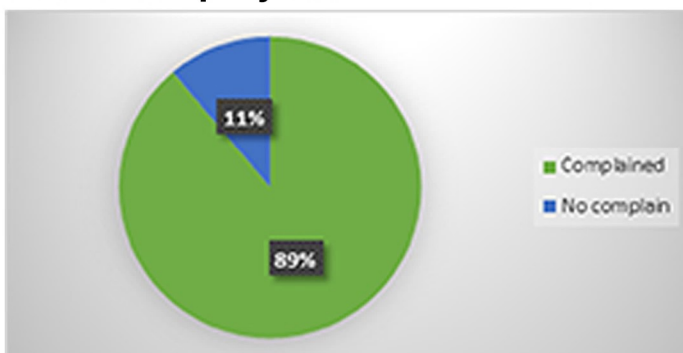
Q: Would you like the Ghanaian dream to be in your school again?



Q: Was the program educative?



Q: State one thing you did not like about the project.



In conclusion, these were the views and evaluations that was received from students in the various schools.



COMMENTS FROM TEACHERS'/HEAD TEACHERS ABOUT THE PROJECT

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It's great to have listened to the speech because it's going to empower students from their pit of lack of knowledge. It should not be a nine-day wonder. G.E.S. should sponsor for symposium, durbar, workshops, etc. for students every quarter in the districts and regions. The speech was excellent.

Oliver Cromwell- Madina Secondary Technical-Teacher

Speech properly delivered. Attention of almost all students captured. Speech delivered very interesting, humorous and very educative. A very big platform should be set for all students in Accra and other regions to benefit from this wonderful delivery. Should set some days on the time table for this kind of motivative speeches for the students in both the basic and the secondary schools in Ghana. Splendid. The speaker did very well and I encourage him to continue the good work done. More grease to your elbows brother.

Mr. Issah Alhassan Farnagda-Preset S.H.S.-Teacher

A very impressive programme. The team motivated the students so much. The topic was a timely one for the students. I suggest that, every secondary school in the country should have this team at least for once to impact positivity into them. The ministry of education should support this projects so that counselling related topics will be handled by the speaker. It was an awesome presentation. He hit the nail on the head. It was touching and emotional.

Augustina Atkinson Dadebo-Fafraha Community S.H.S.- Counsellor

It is good for the youth development and goal. I think you need a better platform to spread your message and make the effort to keep your message free from religious beliefs. The ministry should do well to give the project a better platform. It can be better than this.

Mr. Alan Ampofo- Kaneshie Secondary Technical- Senior Housemaster.

They are the right organization and people to work with in schools and training centres. It will be better to engage the youth both at school and not at school. Motivational clubs should be formed in schools. GES should support the project and organize students' forum. He was on top of the subject and had great command over the subject matter.

Andrews Ohene Boateng -Accra Technical Training Centre-Vice Principal (Administration)

This dream has lost its value and there is no need to reawaken it. We are not on track that is why this program is necessary. If possible the program should be held in our school twice in a term. The speaker's book should be adopted by GES to serve as motivation to students. He is excellent. We have decided to link him up to our counselling department.

Mr Sebastian A. Adama- Armed Forces SHS-Assistant Headmaster

It is a good project and it must be done in every school across the country. All I will say is may the Good Lord guide you and give you strength to continue the good work you are doing. If GES and the Ministry of education can add this project on the curriculum, it will go a long way to help students. Very fantastic, personally I was carried away. It made me remember my school days. I believe students learnt a lot.

D. Prosper Kosi-Albert Academy- Administrator

On course, laudable and should be pursued aggressively. They should propagate this information to other institutions. The various bodies responsible for the education sector should support the project. Very good.

Ernest Afflu- Kinbu SHS- Teacher

COMMENTS FROM TEACHERS'/HEAD TEACHERS ABOUT THE PROJECT (CONT...)

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I believe it is a very good project in helping students to develop the right values in order to be successful in the future. They are doing a great job but they should add activities to make their presentations more interactive. The presentation is good but a one off presentation is not enough to ensure a permanent change in behaviours, so if they want to achieve their aim they should find a way to achieve that. GES should give them all the necessary support they need. The speaker was on point.

Mr K. P. Odum- Accra Academy- School Counsellor



COMMENTS FROM STUDENTS

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I expect that the next time we have such programme, it will be more than today's own. I loved everything about it. I loved everything he said and he has lifted up my spirit to do more to get to where I want to go. My self-esteem level has been lifted up. All that I will say is that, may God bless him.

Koney Janice Naa Adjeley- form 1- Armed forces SHS



My expectation next time, is to come again in my school to have the same thought. First of all, I will like to thank the Almighty Father, for how far He has done. Adding to this, may the Almighty Father give him wisdom, knowledge and understanding. God richly bless him.

Solomon Ansong -form 2 - Albert Academy SHS

It was very splendid and I was very touched by his words. I noticed that that I am a great person in life and can make it in life with my experience and hard work. Thank you.

Boateng Asantewaa Sandra-form 2-Preset Pacesetters SHS

COMMENTS FROM STUDENTS (CONT...)

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Very educative, motivative and inspirational. Every word spoken is like a sharp knife that sharpens people's minds and attitude towards education.

Mr Salomey Ahene – form 2- Armed forces SHS

My expectations next time is that, he needs to get more time to speak and explain to us more than this. I thank him very much for giving us a wonderful presentation. I will go step by step of the message he gave us. I will use it in my life. Thank you very much.

Tamakloe Victor– form 2- Madina SHS

The project should be done again. Well, the speaker's presentation was a very good one because he seems to be very serious in his speech and was willing for students to take something from his mistakes.

Mr Amanda Adom - form 2- Kaneshie Sec Tech

He should talk more than he did today. His presentation was excellent. It was very nice and interesting. The speaker really motivated me. I have really learnt a lot from it.

Alhassan Fawuzia –form 2- preset pacesetters SHS



COMMENTS FROM STUDENTS (CONT...)

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We expect you to come and advise us on how to achieve a good dream. I love the way he spoke, he really advised us and I enjoyed it very well. We hope you will come again to preach more about education.

Fortune Dztse – form 1- preset pacesetters SHS

My expectations are, you make them spend more time with us the next time they are visiting. He was very bold, smart and I felt like he was trying very hard for us to understand more in life and how to build our life in the future

Amankwah Mary – Form 2- Madina SHS.

There will be more time for the presentation by the speaker and will be given the opportunity to ask questions. The presentation was very good and it brought my mind to something I have ignored. It really inspired me.

Odametey Emmanuel – form 2- Accra Academy



My expectation next time is that the speaker will throw more light on the topic today for the betterment of our future. The speaker is very good, he loves what he was teaching and that alone encourage us to follow his footsteps. He is serious and motivating..

Doe Eyram Anointing– form 2- Fafraha SHS

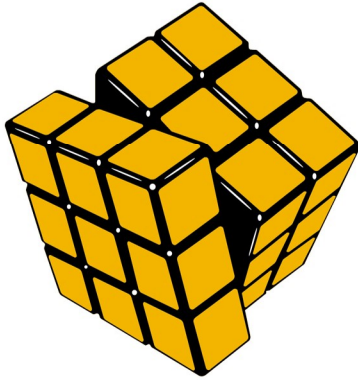
I want him to come and speak to us next time. He was good; In fact everything touched my heart. I thank him and God bless him.

Forgive Tsatsa – form 2-Fafraha SHS

To improve our studies, to help in developing the people and the student of the school. I need to follow the steps of the presentation and to achieve my goals.

Alhassan Aisha– form 2- Madina SHS





CHALLENGES

- Most of the schools did not see the importance of the project.
- Only one single school among the 35 schools called to find out what the invitation was about in details.
- Most schools did not give us a good reception.
- There was a problem of funds and the lack of desire from corporate organization to sponsor such projects.
- There were also problems on lack of logistics, transportation, etc.
- There was lack of preparation on the side of the schools.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Schools must see the importance of extra curriculum activities such as this project.
- GES must emphasize more for significance of such projects to schools.
- GES and the Ministry of education must support this project with funds and also tell corporate Ghana to give support to this initiative.
- The media must play a role by giving it publicity.
- Communities must support the project.



PARTNERS

- Islamic Online University



- Mother of All Nations



- Ghana Association of Writers



- Ghana Education Service.



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CALL TO ACTION



It has been a great project and lives were transformed. But we believe that it takes commitment and teamwork to help in making this world a better place. It does not matter where you are in the world, you can join us in transforming minds and touching lives. Call us and be part of the 2018 edition of the Ghanaian Dream Motivational Project.

Waiting for you.

GALLERY

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