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Celebrating Success and Embracing a New School Year at Water for Life

At Water for Life, our mission extends far beyond providing clean and safe water. We believe that lasting transformation begins when children have both health and education as strong foundations. Through Divine Help School (DHS) and Life Learning Center (LLC), we invest in academic excellence, character formation, and spiritual growth—ensuring that every child can learn, thrive, and become a positive force in their community. Education is a vital part of our calling, and we remain committed to supporting students as they pursue knowledge, dignity, and hope.

Celebrating Our Students' Success

We are delighted to share outstanding news regarding our students' performance on the national exams at DHS and LLC. These results are a testament to our students' hard work, resilience, and commitment throughout the year.

We also honor our top high school scorer, who achieved an exceptional 1,558 out of 1,900 (DHS)—a remarkable accomplishment that reflects dedication and perseverance.

We give thanks to God for these achievements and extend our heartfelt gratitude to our sponsors.

Student Performance Summary

School	Level	# Students	Passed	Pass Rate	Top Score
DHS	9 th Grade	—	100%	100%	—
DHS	High School	16	13	81.25%	1,558/1,900
LLC	9 th Grade	—	100%	100%	—
LLC	High School	—	100%	100%	—

A New School Year Begins

The new school year has officially begun. The Ministry of Education set September 7, 2026 as the start date for the 2026–27 academic year, and on the first day of school, we were overjoyed to see the excitement on the children's faces as they returned. Despite the challenges facing our country, the 2025–26 school year was a great success. We give thanks



to God that our students did not miss a single day of school. Our teachers and administrative staff worked with dedication and excellence to ensure a productive and nurturing learning environment.

As we embark on this new academic year, we pray that 2026–27 will be filled with learning, personal growth, and new opportunities for every child. We ask God to continue guiding and strengthening them throughout their studies.

Even though classes have already begun, many students still need support.

If you would like to sponsor a child and make a lasting difference in their life, please contact our office. Your generosity opens doors to education, hope, and a brighter future.



Heartbeats From the Field: Rose Pascal Remarais English Teacher (Life Learning Center)

When did your story with Water For Life begin?

My journey with Water for Life began when I first heard about the organization through a friend. He invited me to participate in a mobile clinic that Water for Life was organizing for a school. That experience gave me my first opportunity to see the work they were doing and the positive impact they had in the community.

Later, my friend told me that Water for Life was looking for English teachers to work with young children through a program called Life Learning Center. I was truly happy and excited about this opportunity because I had already developed a strong appreciation for the work Water for Life was doing. I wanted to be part of that mission and use my skills to make a positive contribution to the Haitian community.

I started working with Water for Life in June 2025, and since then, it has been a beautiful and meaningful experience. Being part of this organization has allowed me not only to teach, but also to learn, connect with children, serve my community, and understand that even a small contribution can



make a real difference in someone’s life.

I am grateful for the opportunity to be part of Water for Life, and I am proud to contribute to a mission that brings hope, support, and opportunities to the Haitian community.

How do you understand and appreciate the mission of Water For Life?

I understand the mission of Water for Life as a commitment to serving people, especially children and communities, by giving them opportunities to grow, learn, and have a better future. What I appreciate most is that the organization does not only focus on immediate needs, but also invests in people through education, care, and community support. For me, this mission is a beautiful example of love expressed through action. It reminds me that even a small contribution can bring hope and create a positive change in someone’s life.

How do you understand your participation in this mission?

My participation in this mission may appear straightforward; however, it carries significant personal meaning for me. I see myself as someone who can serve my community and contribute to its well-being. Being part of this mission enables me to share my knowledge while also continuing to learn and grow professionally and personally.

What impact has this mission had on your life?

Water for Life has had a meaningful impact on my life, both personally and professionally. It has helped me understand more deeply the importance of service, patience, compassion, and commitment.

This experience has also changed the way I see my own abilities. It has taught me that I have something valuable to give to others—not only through my knowledge, but also through my presence, encouragement, and love. Water for Life has given me an opportunity to grow while helping others grow, and for that, I am truly grateful.

A New School Year, A Lasting Opportunity

As a new school year begins in Haiti, classrooms are once again filled with the sounds of students learning, teachers teaching, and children dreaming about what their future might hold.

At Water for Life Haiti, we are grateful for the opportunity to be a driving force in providing education for these children.

Education is about much more than books and lessons. It provides children with an opportunity to grow, develop their God-given abilities, and prepare for a future that may look very different from the circumstances they face today. Each school year represents another step forward for these young people, and we are thankful for the teachers, families,

churches, and sponsors who make that journey possible.

One of the most important ways you can be involved is through child sponsorship.

Through sponsorship, children receive support for the practical needs that come with attending school, including food, educational supplies, and reduced tuition. Just as importantly, sponsorship connects people who care deeply about children in Haiti with students who are working hard to build a better future.

After much prayer we have come to the difficult decision of increasing our sponsorship amount. For the last 10 years we have worked diligently to keep this amount at \$35 per month, but with rising costs both in the US and Haiti, we have increased that amount to \$45 per month. All new sponsorships will be \$45.

Already **existing sponsorships will transition to \$45 per month beginning January 2027 or when your next renewal is due.** We are grateful for your continued commitment and want to give you plenty of notice about this change.

We recognize that an increase in monthly support is a meaningful decision for families and individuals. At the same time, we believe this adjustment will help us continue providing the level of support our students need as costs continue to rise.

As you see the pictures of our students beginning another school year, we hope you will remember that behind every face is a child with potential, hopes, and dreams. Your sponsorship helps provide an opportunity for that child to learn, grow, and prepare for the future.

Thank you to every sponsor who has faithfully invested in the lives of these children. Your generosity is making a difference—not simply for one school year, but for years to come.

We are excited to see what God will do in the lives of our students during this new school year, and we are thankful that you are part of the journey.

~Jamie O’Dell
Development Director

Pennsylvania Benefit Dinner

YODER’S RESTAURANT
14 S. TOWER RD. NEW HOLLAND, PA 17557

THURS.
NOV. 5TH
2026

DOORS
OPEN AT
6:00PM

DINNER
BEGINS AT
6:30PM

RSVP BY OCTOBER 28TH
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— August 2026 Statistics —

Wells Drilled: 0

Hand Pumps Installed: 3

People Served: approximately 1,050

Hand Pumps Repaired: 90

People Served: approximately 31,500

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