



# TANZANIA

*please review this fact sheet with your child over vacation*



JAMBO! The Gould Academy Four Point program is delighted to extend an invitation to experience the people, animals and culture of Tanzania. This opportunity is truly a once in a life time adventure, and we all have a role to ensure all

the details are taken care of so the trip will run smoothly. *Please take time to review these details and organize the responsibilities on the family end.*

## Proposed Itinerary

- 3.13 Depart USA
- 3.14 Arrive Arusha
- 3.15 Arusha NP/TSS
- 3.16 Tumaini School
- 3.17 Tumaini School
- 3.18 Safari
- 3.19 Safari
- 3.20 Safari
- 3.21 Homestay
- 3.22 Homestay
- 3.23 Tumaini School
- 3.24 Lake Eyasi
- 3.25 Depart TZ
- 3.26 Arrive Boston
- 3.27 Rest day
- 3.28 Classes resume

### A LITTLE BACKGROUND

Gould Academy established a relationship with the Tumaini Junior school in Karatu, Tanzania five years ago. In 2013, the Tumaini Junior School placed first out of 90 schools in district and 40th out of 15,650 schools in the entire nation based on the national exam. This extremely successful school allows Gould students to understand successful education in a very different way.



<http://www.imagineafrica.co.uk/images/>

The school is in Karatu, a town of 7500 located near the gateway of the Ngorongoro Crater. Gould and TJS are excited about the cross-cultural opportunities and the unique opportunity for a safari in the Serengeti. In 2015 the Tumaini Senior Secondary School opened a short drive away from Karatu in Makuyuni. Mrs Donovan and Mr Hayward led the trip to TSSS in 2016 and the school is looking forward to seeing “Madame Pat” again and the rest of this year’s group.

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## PARENT RESPONSIBILITIES

### **Immunizations and Preventative Medicines**

Current with all routine vaccinations  
Typhoid, Hepatitis A, Atovaquone-proguanil (anti-malarial), lopermide / cipro (anti-diarrheal)

*Please complete* immunizations and obtain preventative medicines independently. Submit proof immunizations to Gould's Health Center (fax 207.824.3085).

### **If it is not possible for you to complete the immunizations independently:**

*Documents will be provided to you:* Fill out the brief medical history form AND sign the release form and waiver of liability for Infectious Disease and Travel Medicine at CMMC to allow ID & TM to administer the necessary immunizations. Return all forms to Chris Hayward. Gould Health Services will schedule the shots. Transportation fees to the travel clinic will apply.

CDC traveler information site  
<http://wwwnc.cdc.gov/travel/destinations/tanzania.htm>

### **Passport Copy: due December 1**

### **Actual Passport: due January 3**

Obtain a signed passport with sufficient blank pages for visa stamps. The passport must be valid for at least 6 months from the date of return (3/26/2016). The expiration date must be LATER than 10/1/2016. Chris Hayward accepts passports.

## GOULD ACADEMY RESPONSIBILITIES

### **Visa Application**

We complete and submit the visa application.

### **MedJet Assist**

We register each student for this service.

### **Immunizations**

We arrange the needed immunizations if not independently completed.

### **Host Gifts**

Obtain an appropriate gift for the host family or school. A suggestion list will be available by winter break.

Explore the school on Facebook at Tanzania Education Corporation or at:

[www.tanzania-schools.org/content/supporting-schools-tanzania](http://www.tanzania-schools.org/content/supporting-schools-tanzania)

## PARENT FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITIES

### **Expenses Charged to Student's Account**

Travel visa Fee: \$150-200

MedJet Assist Insurance Fee: \$125-\$150  
*(in case of medical emergency provides private jet transportation with medical personnel on board back to a hospital of choice)*

Immunizations: approximately \$300 (billed to health insurance, if applicable)

### **Personal Spending Money**

There will be limited opportunities to shop and one stop at a cultural center for souvenir gifts.

\$100 -\$ 200 is a sufficient amount of money in *small denominations*. The US dollar is generally accepted at all places.

### **Transportation and Itinerary Activities**

We are responsible for all transportation and activity costs from Boston to Tanzania and from Tanzania to Bethel.

### **Room and Board**

We are responsible for housing and food costs during the trip, with exception of food during the travel days.

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## TRAVELING IN TANZANIA

### **Safety and Care**

Tanzania is a welcoming and safe country that has a long history with tourism and youth travel programs. We are in the very good hands of Modest Bayo of the Tumaini School System and Best of Africa Safaris. We also have contacts at The Foundation for African Medicine & Education, FAME, outpatient clinic. It was founded in 2002 by Frank Artress and Susan Gustafson from the United States.

### **Weather**

March weather places us at the start of the rainy season with temperature between 80-60 F/ 28-15 C. Daytime high humidity is countered with cooler evenings.

### **Dress Code**

With such a diverse trip, packing light and for environmental flexibility is the goal. Travel wear is comfortable, safari attire is layered, and school dress is more casual/formal. We pack all our personal gear in a travel duffel or backpack, not a hard pack case, and check it as a carry on. Checked baggage will be large duffels filled with supplies for the school.

### **Food and Water Safety**

Tanzanian's understand that non-natives need to drink bottled water and eat well cooked food.

### **Malaria**

Most travelers get nervous about malaria, but students will be provided with quality netting and the faculty will administer daily malaria pills each morning.

## INFORMATION SPOTS AND CONTACT

FOUR POINT BLOG: <https://gouldacademy.org/blog/category/fourpoint9>

TANZANIA-L : You will be invited to a list-serve that will be used for frequent communication throughout the trip planning process through arrival back in the United States.

Chris Hayward ([haywardc@gouldacademy.org](mailto:haywardc@gouldacademy.org)) is the contact for Tanzania specific questions. There is an opportunity during Winter Parents' Weekend to meet with trip leaders, Pat Donovan and Alec Newell.

Asante, (thank you in Swahili)

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