

PREPARING FOR 2025 SUMMER PROGRAMS

KULE Newsletter



CHAIRMAN AND DIRECTOR, KULE

Here's what has happened so far this year and what's to come!

Through this newsletter, we celebrate the Spring 2025 milestones achieved, honor the extraordinary contributions of our student leaders, and express our deepest gratitude to the supporters who made it all possible.

The years started with a successful Jan 2025 KULE Foundation Canada Annual General Meeting. It was well attended by 'Friends of KULE' from Pearson College students and staff, local community members, KULE alumni from around the world, and our KULE Chairman!!

Great progress was made by our hard working and dedicated Pearson College KULE CAS staff and students.

Our summer 2025 programs promise to be another exciting chapter:

Plans for the 2025 summer programs have been set. Numerous students from Pearson College, UWC China, and Ghana have committed to participating.

Due to some great work, we are currently in good shape with funding of student bursaries. As a reminder, if you're in Canada or the USA, donations to sponsor Pearson College students to join our programs are tax-deductible.

However, we are still short of funding goals required for summer Projects

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- Kenya:
 - Option 1: July 4-19, 2025
 - Option 2: July 4-24, 2025

In this newsletter you can expect:

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Here's to a summer of growth, giving, and building brighter futures together!

If you have questions, contact us at director@kulefoundation.org for details.



Highlights of Pearson College KULE CAS Activities



Hi everyone

It's Rocio, Leona, and Kevin, we are three Pearsonites, KULE CAS members, and soon-to-be participants in the upcoming summer trip to Kenya. As this school year comes to a close, we want to reflect on what being part of KULE has meant to us, and how this journey has shaped our passions and purpose.

We each came to Pearson with the belief that change is possible, and because of KULE now we know that when passionate people come together with a shared mission, incredible things can happen.

We were drawn to the project because of its focus on expanding access to quality education something we believe is a basic human right, not a privilege.

Throughout the year, we've worked as a team to raise funds and awareness in creative ways. Every Tuesday, our meetings were full of energy and brainstorming. One of our favorite initiatives has been the Wednesday Night Café. This is a weekly event where we bake and sell treats on the Pearson College campus. Besides the Night Café we also organize events, such as KULE Valentine's day and movie nights, where we sell little candy bags and treats for Pearson students to support KULE's mission. We've also sold handmade crafts at local fairs. For example, in the fall, we spent hours in the sewing room upcycling fabric scraps into vibrant tote bags, which we then sold at the Halloween Fair in Metchosin. These projects not only raised money but helped us connect with the community around us.

We're excited to join the summer trip to Kenya because it's a chance to finally meet the communities we've been working for throughout the year, to learn directly from them, and to offer our energy and skills in a meaningful, collaborative way. We expect the trip to be eye-opening and life-changing. It's not just about giving, but it's about listening, learning, and growing.

Thank you to everyone who has supported KULE this year. Whether you bought a tote bag, donated money, or just cheered us on. You're part of this journey too. Stay tuned, we'll be sharing stories from Kenya this summer, and we can't wait to bring what we learn back to our Pearson community.

With love and purpose, Rocio, Leona & Kevin

Looking Ahead to Our 2025 Summer Programs

The timing and logistics plans for the 2025 summer programs have been set. The KULE Participant Welcome Package has been prepared and shared.

There will only be a Kenya Program this year.

The date will be July 5-24, although one student will leave on July 19 and therefore miss out the privilege of staying at the Chairman's home in the final week of the program.

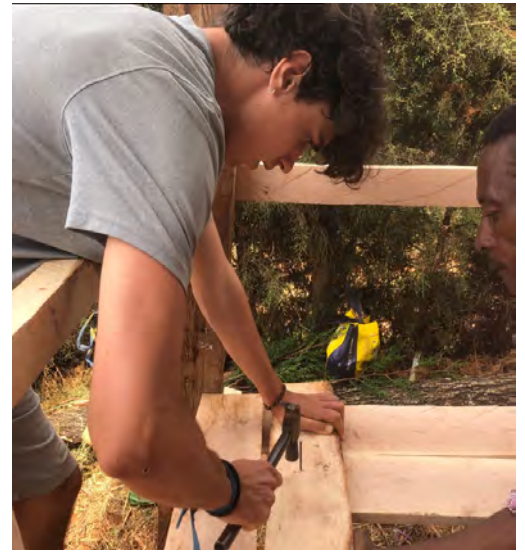
Currently, 7 students from UWC Pearson College, 2 students from UWC China, and 3 students + 1 teacher from Ghana have committed to participating.

The KULE summer projects will focus on three main categories:

- starting construction on a classroom and office requires building material, equipment rental, furniture, and labour (\$10,600 US)
- feeding program requires maize, beans, rice and cooking oil (\$1000 US)
- empowering women program requires sewing machines, material, training, and rent (\$2200 US)

KULE's impact goes beyond immediate projects. It creates ripples of change, inspiring individuals to think deeply about their roles in the world.

Whether by building infrastructure, fostering creative expression, or empowering women, KULE's initiatives embody the spirit of global citizenship.



Ongoing Funding Challenges

However, we are still short of funding goals required for summer Projects, Timing is getting critical since we will need to make commitments earlier enough for everything to be ready for the start of the programs

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- KULE Foundation International website at <https://kulefoundation.com/> which has the information required to do a direct bank transfer
- Gofundme fundraising site for KULE at <https://gofund.me/33275cf4>
- If you have any questions, please contact us at director@kulefoundation.org for details