



The Africa Children's Summit

'Seen, Heard and Engaged'



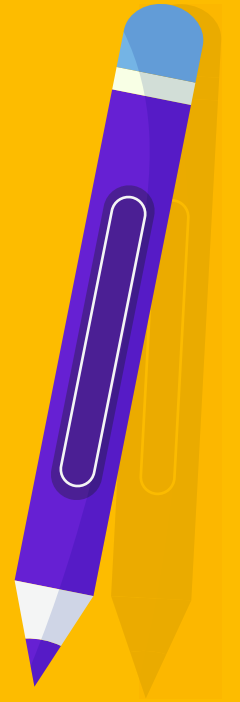
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CHILDREN'S OUTCOME STATEMENT



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WHAT WE WANT ...

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THE AFRICA CHILDREN'S
SUMMIT 2025**



We, the children of Africa, have shared our voices and ideas. We want our leaders and governments to make sure that every child can go to school, feel safe, be included, and have a bright future. Here's what we ask for:

Free and Fair Education for All

School should be free for every child. No one should stay home because they can't pay fees. Governments should give support like bursaries and scholarships to children whose families cannot afford school. Children with disabilities should also learn in schools that meet their needs—with teachers who understand sign language and other special ways of learning.

Better School Buildings and Facilities

We want schools that are safe and comfortable. That means more classrooms, desks, clean toilets, clean water, and safe places to play. Children in villages or far places should get help with transportation, like bicycles or school buses.

Books, School Supplies, and Technology

We need books, pens, and other learning tools in all our schools. We also want schools to use helpful technology, like computers and AI, especially for children who can't afford these at home.

More and Better Teachers

We need more good teachers who understand every child's needs. Some of us learn in different ways, speak different languages, or need extra help. Teachers should be trained to support all kinds of learners.



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Stop Unfair Treatment and Bad Traditions

Some children are kept out of school because of early marriage or because they're girls or have disabilities. This is not right. We want everyone to be treated fairly, and for harmful traditions to stop. Let all children go to school and learn equally.

Help Our Families So We Can Stay in School

When families don't have money, some children stop going to school. We want our parents and guardians to get support, jobs, or skills to earn more money. This will help us stay in school.

End Violence and Keep Us Safe

We want to feel safe at home and at school. No bullying. No hitting. No abuse. There should be people to help when things go wrong. Teachers and parents must learn how to treat children with love and respect. National governments should ratify treaties and put laws in place against child and early marriages and they should be practiced.

Let Children Share Their Ideas

We want to be part of the decisions that affect our lives. Give us chances to speak up, lead school groups, and help shape rules and plans.

Children with disabilities should also be included in all activities. Their special needs should be taken care of by trained teachers. Schools should also have **sports and games made for children with disabilities**, so everyone can play and have fun.

Technology That Helps, Not Harms

We want access to safe and useful internet and digital tools to help us learn. But we also want to stay safe online. Children should be taught how to use AI and the internet in a good way, and adults should help protect us from harm. Protect children against pornography and negative media.





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Healthy Minds and Bodies

Children learn best when they are happy and healthy. We want schools to give meals, provide sanitary pads for girls, and offer support when we feel sad or stressed as well as comprehensive sexuality education. There should be time to play and safe spaces to relax and be ourselves.

Substance abuse should be prohibited with stricter laws being put in place with regards to children. The government should penalise parents who give the go ahead for their children to take drugs and the children be put into foster care.





TOGETHER, WE CAN MAKE A CHANGE!

"We are the future. We want to learn, grow, and help our countries. We ask our leaders to listen, take action, and work with us to make these dreams come true—for every child, everywhere in Africa."

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