

Muleba District

Muleba District is among the 6 districts that form the Kagera Region of Tanzania. According to the 2012 Tanzania National Census, the population of the district is 386,828. The residents of the district practice diverse economic activities key among them being: farming, fishing, livestock rearing, mining and tourism.

HakiElimu's program schools in Muleba District include 4 primary schools namely: Kitunga, Kagondo, Rubungo and Bugasha and 4 secondary schools namely: Kishoju, Kagondo, Rutabo and Kaigara

The 2012 HakiElimu baseline study identified the following key challenges facing schools in the district: inadequate supply of teachers, poor state of school infrastructure, inadequate teaching and learning resources and lack of support from parents and community members.

Among the key changes we observed in Muleba District in 2014 include improvements in mastery of the 3Rs and other subjects by students participating in student clubs in all program schools. The number of pupils who could not read or write reduced from 126 (2013) to 33 (2014). This is attributed to the vibrancy of students' clubs, increased support from teachers as well as improved access to learning and teaching resources in the program schools.

School Committee members at the school also evinced better organization and performance, leading to increased interest by parents to participate in efforts to improve their schools. At Kagondo A and Kitunga primary schools, parents resolved to contribute towards a feeding program for students to improve their experience in school. At Bugasha Primary School, parents resolved to contribute to construct a pre-primary classroom as a response to a dire situation where the school had only 6 classrooms for 468 pupils. A collaborative effort between HakiElimu and parents of Kitunga Primary School led to the renovation of one classroom into a high quality, child-friendly pre-primary school facilit