

WHY SCHOOL FARMS?

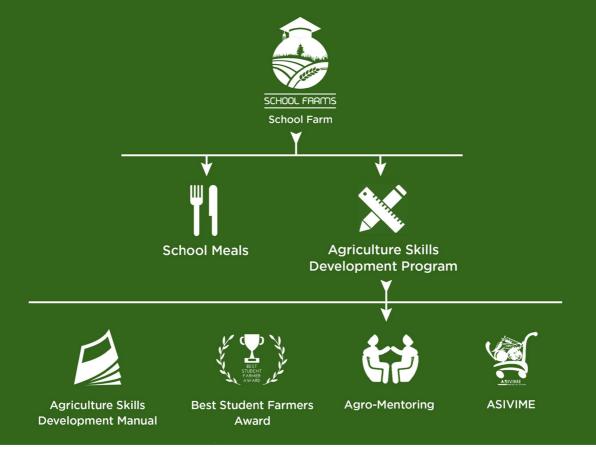
Despite the opportunities that agriculture presents, rural young people are increasingly shying away from desiring careers in the sector. Young people do not perceive agriculture as enumerative and prestigious profession and until they find meaningful economic opportunities and attractive environments in rural areas, they will continue to migrate to cities.

School Farms
Empowers
Local
Community
Schools To
Grow Their
Own Food

Also, community schools in Ghana are increasingly faced with the challenge of funding school meals due to limited government support, the rise in food cost and market failures.

School Farms seeks to ensure the availability, utilization and access to cost-effective and sustainable in-school meals by helping these schools grow their own food. School Meals increases school attendance, retention and active teaching and learning activities in schools by more than 25 percent. It is helping achieve SDGs (2, 3, 4 and 10)

School Farms project recognizes the link between education, nutrition and skill development and is improving access to all through its School farms, School meals and Agriculture Skills Development Program for Rural Young People.



School Farms project is the flagship project of Reach Out to Future Leaders Movement (ROFLM), a youth-led non-profit that is Educating, Empowering and Engaging young people in the developing of practical solutions to communities' challenges.

PARTNERS

- The Community
- The Local Ministry of Food & Agriculture
- Parent-Teacher Association

SHORT TERM

- Reduce the feeding cost of schools resulting in a reduction in the cost of accessing quality education
- Increase in the enrolment, interest and attendance to schools
- Students will acquire knowledge and skills in agriculture and as well as the agriculture value chain
- Create job opportunities for local community members

LONG TERM

- Increase literacy rate because of increased access to education
- Development skills in agriculture
- Mainstreaming young people in Agriculture
- Increase community cohesion and engagement for local development