



Preparing African Teens for School, Work and Life Success



Our worldwide network prepares African teens for school, work and life success.



Access to technology and online mentors builds teen skills to create opportunities and better lives since 2006.



Our teens, called Net Buddies, grow up in townships where poverty and violence are rife and families are fragmented.

Education and technology are their pathways to build a better life.





Poverty and violence create toxic stress and drive failure.

Most African teens face constant toxic stress.



Township teens have experienced 5 or more forms of violence by age 22

Food Insecure



3 out of 5

South African Children live on less than R41 a day

Missing 1 or Both Parents



66% Teen Households



Relationships build resilience.

The most common predictor of overcoming childhood adversity and learning to manage stress? **Having “at least one stable and committed relationship with a supportive adult.”**



Source: *Strengthening the Foundations of Resilience*, National Council on the Developing Child, Center on the Developing Child, Harvard University 2015





Positive reinforcement creates a self-fulfilling positive cycle.

Students with high life stress often display “avoidance actions” that reinforce ‘*expectations of failure and learned helplessness.*’ Sharing life experiences, **Video Mentors influence students to use “approach actions” and engage for better performance.**

Stressed Student AVOIDANCE Actions

- Misses class
- Stays very quiet / keeps to her/himself
- Rarely asks or answers questions
- Appears bored, not engaged
- Maintains minimal eye contact
- Does not attend extra classes
- Regularly involved in physical or verbal conflicts

Mentored Student APPROACH Actions

- Consistently arrives on time to class
- Is more confident
- Participates in class
- Asks questions
- Shows increased engagement
- Works better in groups
- Discusses assignments outside class
- Plans and prepares ahead
- Attends extra classes



Positive change starts with confident communication.

"If any of you teachers would like a lesson in English, I would be happy to give it to you."

Thokozani



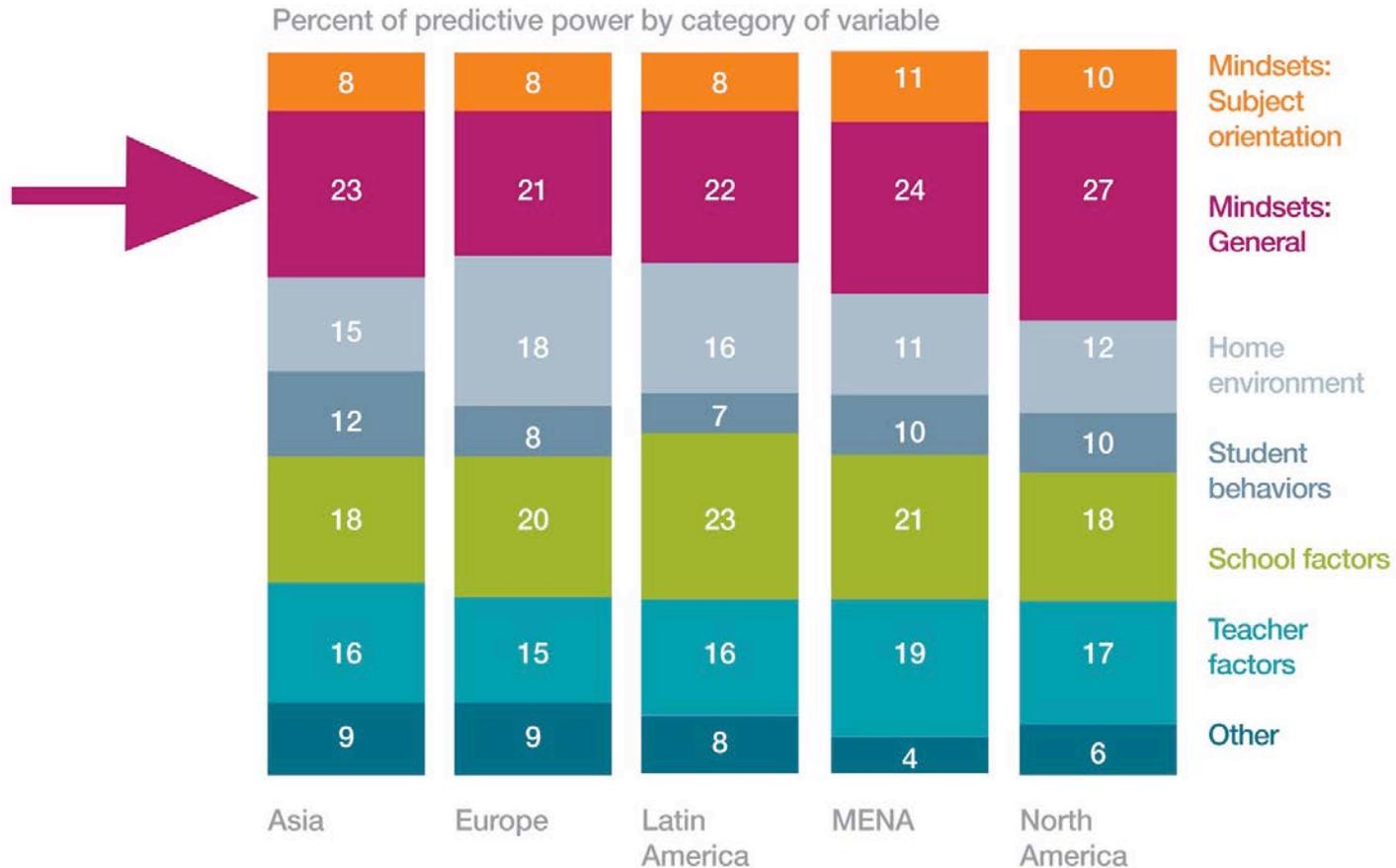


Motivation and self-belief drive education success.

A worldwide study, tracking millions of 15-year-olds since 2000, says a student's mindset is the most important predictor of educational outcomes.

How to Improve Student Educational Outcomes: New Insights from Data Analytics

McKinsey & Company, September 2017



Numbers may not sum to 100% due to rounding
Source: OECD PISA 2015, McKinsey analysis



Laptops, high speed internet and online mentors for students who otherwise have no access to technology tools.



Our partners have provided the LaunchPads and tools to upskill 1,250 students to thrive.





LaunchPads in Alexandra, Khayelitsha and Soweto offer clean, bright, safe spaces to keep learning after school.

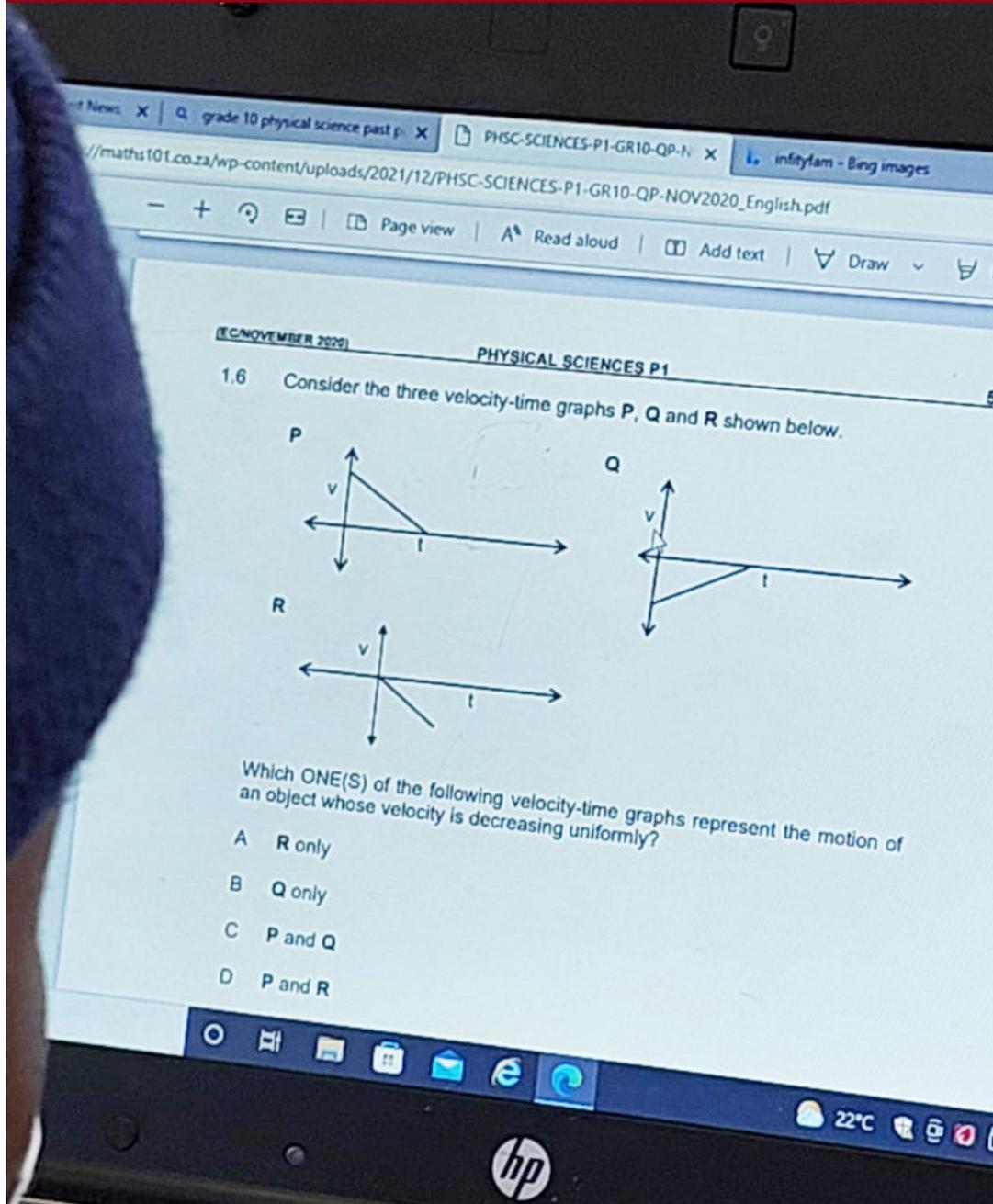
“We always end the video calls with me gaining new information or knowledge regarding everything.”

~Net Buddy Sikona, age 16





Online access has improved daily homework and research for 1,250 students.





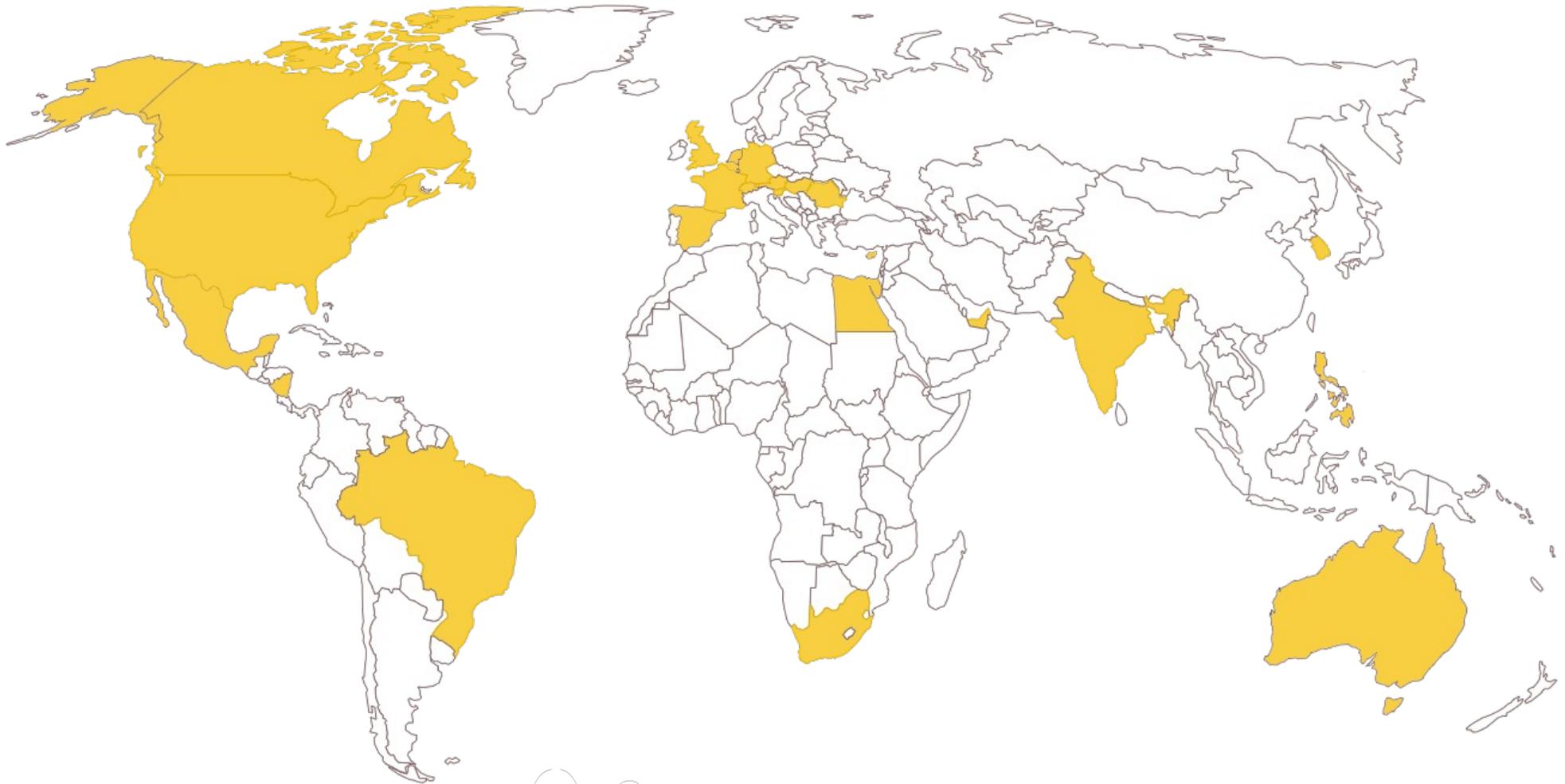
41,300 mentoring sessions strengthened almost 600 teens over an average of 2.4 years. Many matches stay strong over 10 years!



Our partners support the development of critical relationships between Net Buddies and their online mentors, creating life-long impact.



Our partnerships have built a network of online mentors who share their experience and expertise from 25 countries.



Australia | Austria | Belgium | Brazil (3 Provinces) | Canada (6 Provinces) | Cyprus | Egypt | France
Germany | Hungary | India | Mexico | Netherlands | Nicaragua | Philippines | Romania | Singapore
Slovenia | South Africa (3 Provinces) | South Korea | Spain | Sweden | Switzerland | United Arab
Emirates | United Kingdom | United States (43 States)



Mentorships strengthen the **Resilience, Resourcefulness** and **Responsibility** needed to succeed in today's workplace and create healthy, independent futures.

Mentor-driven skills development program focuses on five vital impact areas:

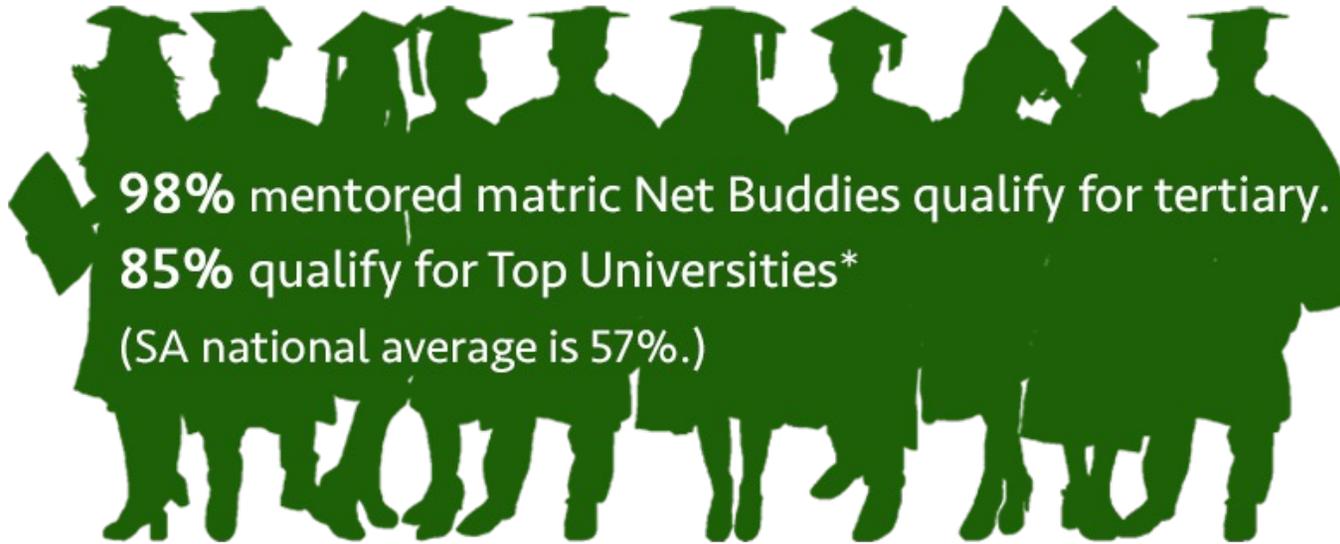
- ▶ **Education**
- ▶ **Career Preparation**
- ▶ **Technology Literacy**
- ▶ **Communication**
- ▶ **Life Skills**

Performance is monitored against weekly, monthly and quarterly deliverables.



Video mentored Matric students exceed expectations and create opportunities via advanced education.

Since 2008 ...



98% mentored matric Net Buddies qualify for tertiary.
85% qualify for Top Universities*
(SA national average is 57%.)

Sources: Infinite Family and the South African Department of Education

Most are FIRST in Family, like Net Buddy Andrew Johns!

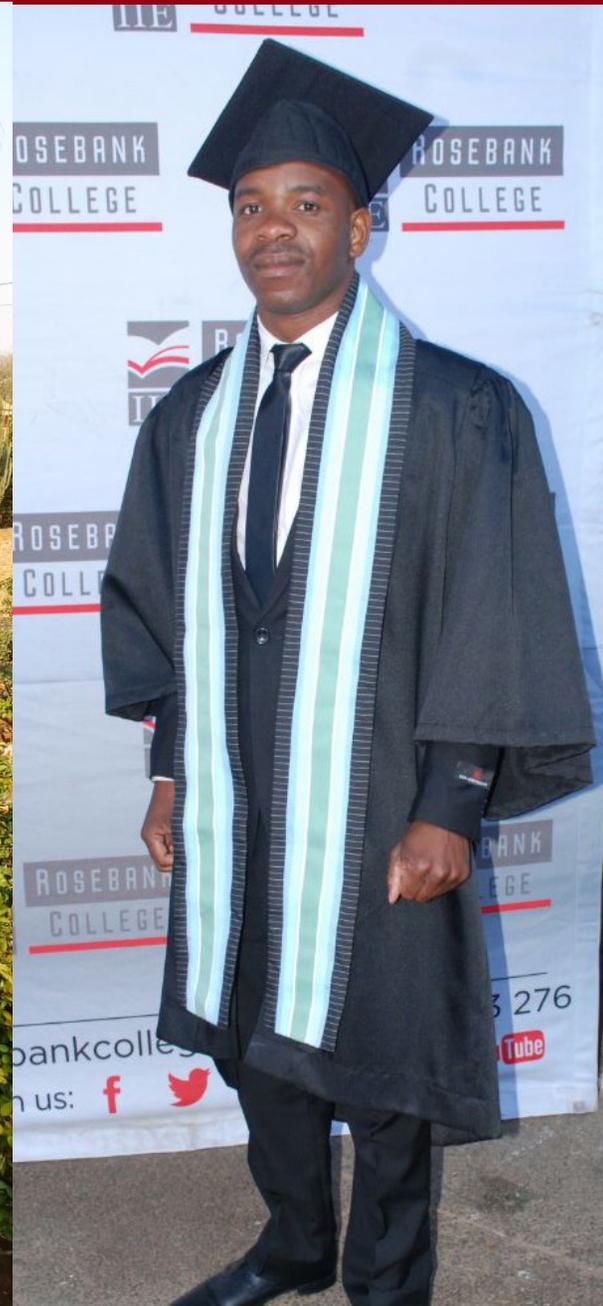
“Without my Video Mentor, I would have done what I thought was good enough.”

~Alumnus Andrew Johns is now completing his MBA at Fordham University in NYC and sends money home to support his brothers' education.





Most Alums advance to technical colleges or universities, others go directly into the workplace.



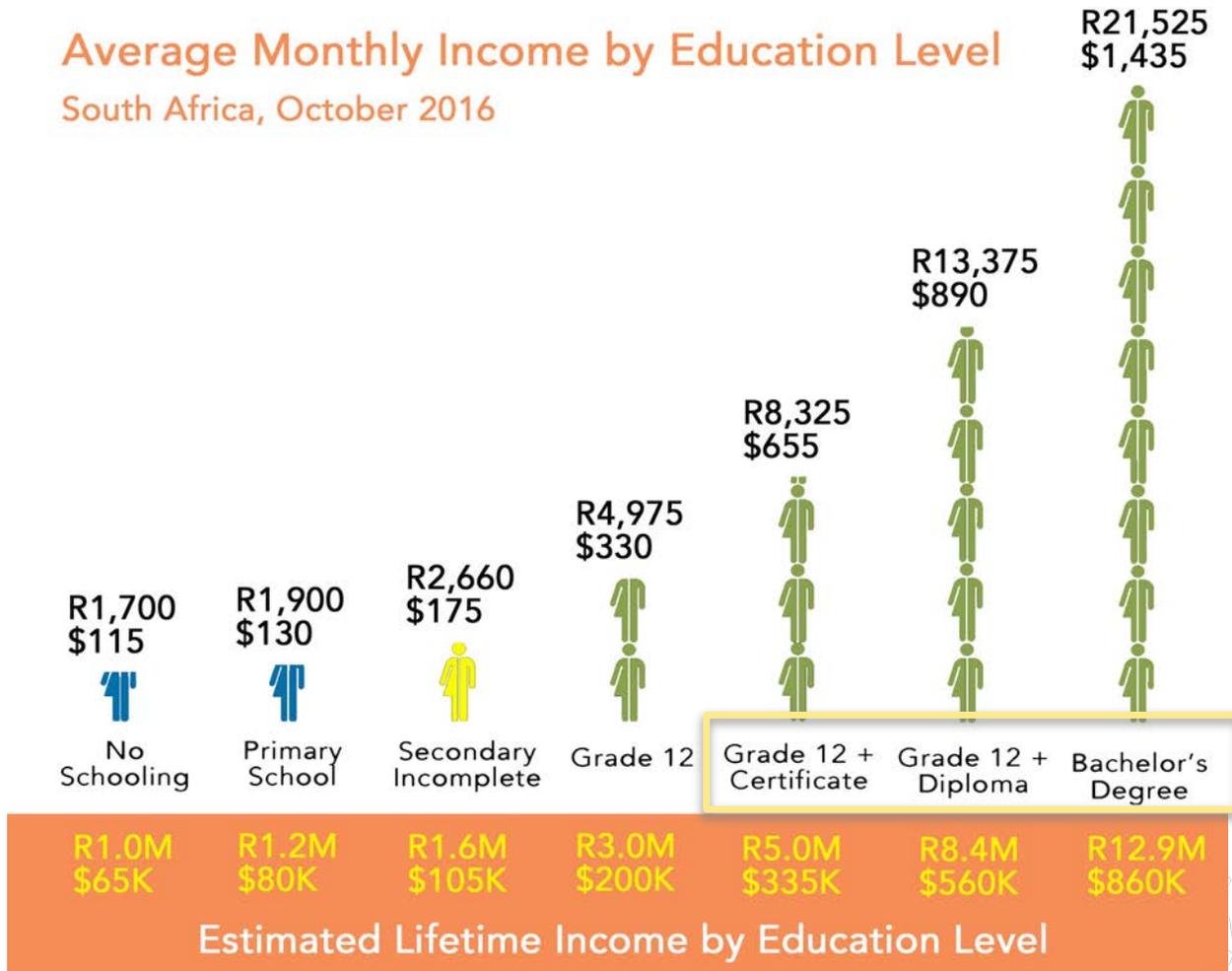


Lifetime Earnings Require Early Life Lessons

Completing secondary/high school and advancing to any level of advanced education dramatically multiplies South African incomes.

Average Monthly Income by Education Level

South Africa, October 2016



Elsina: Alexandra to Engineer

Numbers are rounded for easier discussion.

Data: Statistics South Africa, Analytico
Graphics: Infinite Family



Added post-pandemic services include advanced education for second-chance adults ages 18-34.

2021: Global Skills Initiative South Africa
2022: Online Access and Forgivable Loans for College and University

Zinzo Tebe, attending Milpark College online at Infinite Family's LaunchPad in Khayelitsha, his first step to become a Financial Professional.



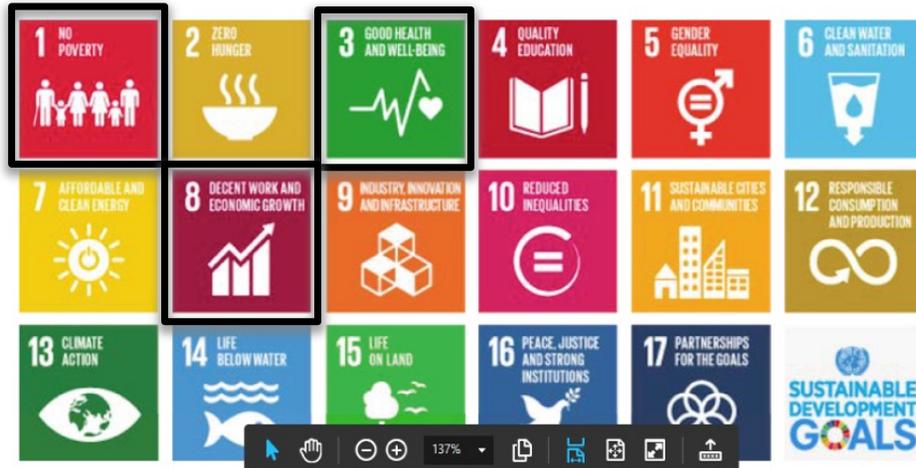
3 LaunchPads + Laptops + Internet Access + Online Mentors =
Preparation for School, Work and LIFE!



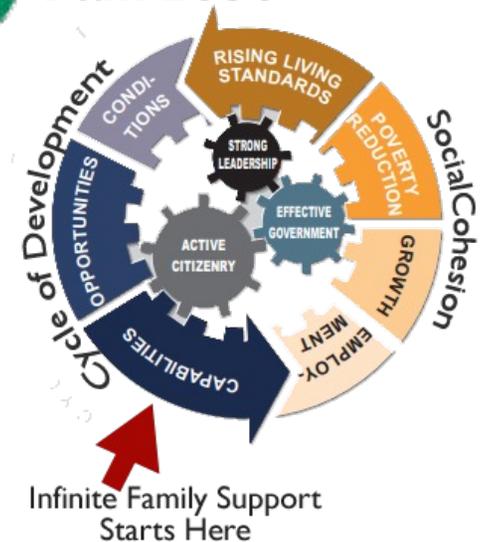


Online mentoring supports global and national uplift goals.

Infinite Family aligns with the NDP 2030 to increase collective student capabilities that lead to good jobs, which in turn reduce poverty and improve individuals' health and well-being.



**National
Development
Plan 2030**



#1 No Poverty

#3 Good Health and Well-Being

#8 Decent Work and Economic Growth

#3 Economy and Employment

#9 Improving Education, Training and Innovation





Qualifications and Partners

Infinite Family is a Level 1 BBBEE company with ICT Sector credentials.

Youth Host Partners

Alexandra Child Care and Support Centre

Nkosi's Haven

Velokhaya Life Cycling Academy

Mentor Network Partners

ForGood

National Mentorship Movement

VolunteerMatch

Volunteer New York

Corporate Partners

Adobe Systems

Clarix Technologis

Dial-a-Nerd

Dimension Data

GlobalGiving

Holiday Inn Sandton

Performanta

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