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Vue of « L'École Moderne de La Vallée »

THE YEAR 2024

What can we say about this year full of emotion for the country of Haïti? The problem of insecurity in the capital has not been resolved and the political, economic and social instability do not promote development. The roads to access the large regions of the South as well as those of the North are still blocked. This situation makes life very precarious in smaller villages. Of course, the Jacmel Valley is rather calm and classes have taken place without incident. On the other hand, life has become more expensive and efforts to keep the school canteen open every school day must be redoubled. The meal program is beneficial to the students and promotes academic success! Thank you to those, loyal or new donors, who have helped keep the flame alive, alleviate poverty and advance education in Haiti.

CONTRIBUTION TO THE SCHOOL CANTEEN



We have provided a hot meal every school day to 250 students last year. However, the number of students has increased considerably this year because of the school's academic success. The Foundation will not be able to face this increased demand without more donations.

ANOTHER YEAR OF SUCCESS!

Once again, the School recorded a 100% success rate in the 9th grade certification exams. For the first time, at the end of the school year 2024-2025, École Moderne will have its 13th-grade students take the Official Certification examinations for a High School Diploma. Most of the candidates started their studies at École Moderne and insisted on finishing their



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studies there. The management had to install prefabricated buildings to accommodate them. We wish them a year rich in learning and success!

SCHOOL SCHOLARSHIPS

The Foundation provided *École Moderne* with the funds needed to purchase uniforms, textbooks and tuition fees for 26 students. It is up to the management to make an initial selection of the students who will benefit from this because it is necessary to know the specific needs of families who have difficulty paying. These children would normally stay at home. These are the most deprived young people that you are helping and on their behalf, we say thank you.

HIS LAST YEAR AT UNIQ



Francisco is starting his final year in accounting at Quisqueya University. He has landed a part-time job in his field. That will help him continue his studies. The Foundation pays for a single session. The prospect of finding a full-time job there later is great. It is not always easy for him since he has to move to escape risky areas.

INVOLVEMENT IN THE PARISH AND THE COMMUNITY

On December 8, the School will celebrate the feast of its patron saint, the Immaculate Conception. The date is fast approaching and the students of the choir are preparing to occupy the space reserved for them at the Saint-Jean-Baptiste church. The School's choir is often in demand and offers its performances on other occasions.

IMMEDIATE PROJECTS AND THOSE THAT MAKE YOU DREAM

École moderne has approached us for two development projects, namely the purchase of doors for the classrooms and the construction of a refectory. If the money is there, we will probably be able to provide one door at a time, for a total of seven doors, which will protect the students and the teaching materials from the elements.

As for the refectory, it is a major project. Its construction will avoid having to bring food into the classrooms. It was designed according to the needs of the school by an architect who is a member of the Board of Directors. The building would include an adjoining kitchen and, upstairs, an academic center: library, conference room and office. To build it, a significant sum of money and donations from businesses or government grants will



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be needed. The Foundation would therefore consider opening a branch in the United States to offer tax receipts. Only Canadian residents can currently benefit from this advantage.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND REPORTS

The Annual General Meeting will be held on December 14, 2024. We hope to welcome new members. Please let us know if you are interested in getting involved in the administration or committees. Together we can make a difference in the lives of young people.

THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The council holds its regular meetings every two months via ZOOM. The General Assembly will allow for better clarification of the objectives to be achieved. The action plan provides for awareness-raising operations among the population and concrete actions such as registering a subsidiary in the USA to increase revenues. This becomes an imperative if sustainable development projects are to be carried out.

The Finance Committee: Financial statements will be presented at the AGM. Expenses exceeded revenues. Fortunately, the Foundation received generous donations in December 2023. A current account was opened at Desjardins Business to reduce fees and decisions need to be made for the US dollar account. Investments are up.

The Communication Committee organized three fund raisings through mass emails, Facebook and our website. We were able to reach 161 people, 41% Male and 59% Female. These statistics should help us raise awareness of our mission and identify the groups we need to target such as the younger generation of our society or the younger retirees. We need to ensure a continuation of donors for the Foundation.

The Projects Committee looks at the requests made by partners. The culture of the environment concerning development projects is an essential element in achieving the objectives set. It must be taken into account.

THANK YOU ! MESI ANPIL

A big thank you to all our donors whose contributions have made it possible to carry out the projects initiated since 2012. Your unwavering support has not only helped to maintain the school canteen but also to advance the academic careers of 26 students each year. The construction of the 3rd cycle fundamental classes as well as the arrival of the New Secondary have increased the number of students to 339. Some students come from Port-au-Prince because their families are fleeing the capital and returning home. Others are attracted by the values of the school and the success obtained in the exams. The high degree of professionalism of the teaching staff and the Management, and their perseverance despite the difficulties have ensured that the School and the students integrate well into the community and advance education.

Thanks also to the volunteers!

Finally, to all those who invest hours of volunteering so that the Foundation progresses, the Board of Directors would like to thank you especially, for the time invested, the expertise offered and the encouragement! Thank you to the webmaster, the accountant, the meeting chair, the sellers of the *Recipies in pots*, the one-off fundraisers and the collectors of donations in kind to send to École Moderne, to all of you who year after year allow us to continue the charitable work.

We are counting on you so much!

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