

OPPORTUNITY INTERNATIONAL *announces* 2025 GLOBAL EDUQUALITY AWARD WINNERS

MORE KIDS IN BETTER SCHOOLS

Eight outstanding low-cost private schools across India, Ghana, Nigeria, Tanzania, Kenya, Rwanda, and the Dominican Republic have been honored as recipients of the 2025 EduQuality Global Awards, presented by the international NGO Opportunity International.

This year's top distinction—the Global Winner Award—was granted to Vidyanketan Matriculation Higher Secondary School in India, which received a prize of USD 2,500. In addition, seven schools were recognized as country-level winners, each receiving a USD 1,000 award for their exceptional commitment to educational excellence.

Each winning school will be formally recognized with a plaque, certificate, and cash prize during local award ceremonies scheduled for the final quarter of 2025.

The EduQuality Global Awards celebrate schools that demonstrate innovative practices, strong leadership, and a deep dedication to quality education—regardless of their geographic location, available resources, or student population size. These winning schools stand out among more than 3,000 institutions participating in Opportunity International's EduQuality program, embodying values such as collaboration, community engagement, and a passion for teaching.



GLOBAL WINNER

Vidyanketan Matriculation Higher Secondary School - India

Vidyanketan Matriculation Higher Secondary School in India, the global winner of the 2024 EduQuality Awards, overcame a major post-pandemic challenge: restoring student behavior and emotional well-being. Through new policies, teacher training, and strong community engagement, the school saw a 30% drop in disciplinary cases and a 25% rise in attendance.

"We didn't just install cameras—we rebuilt trust, safety, and a culture of belonging," said Dr. Radha Vasudevan, the school's Correspondent.

Global winner receives:

- USD 2,500 prize
- Wall Plaque
- Award Certificate

COUNTRY WINNERS

INDIA - Bharathi Kalabhavan School



Challenge: Student misbehavior and low parental involvement.

Results:

- 60% reduction in disciplinary cases
- 42 new student admissions

GHANA - Wellspring School



Challenge: Undertrained teachers and language barriers in instruction.

Results:

- Improved teacher capacity through training
- Enhanced student engagement and learning outcomes

NIGERIA - Royal Pride Montessori School



Challenge: Strengthening inclusive, child-centered learning.

Results:

- Recognized for excellence in Montessori practice
- Increased community involvement through hands-on learning

TANZANIA - Souvenir Pre and Primary School



Challenge: Low enrollment and financial instability.

Results:

- Fee collection improved to 85–90%
- Enrollment increased from 120 to 175 students

KENYA - The Shiners School Maili Saba



Challenge: Unsafe infrastructure and risk of school closure.

Results:

- Renovated facilities for safety
- Continued early childhood education programs

RWANDA - Good Goundation Centre for Education



Challenge: Poor physical environment—dust, flooding, lack of hygiene facilities.

Results:

- Increased enrollment due to improved infrastructure
- Reduced accidents and better hygiene access

DOMINICAN REPUBLIC - Escuela Hogar Paula



Challenge:

Maintaining financial stability in a context of inflation.

Results:

- 15% reduction in unpaid tuition
- 10% increase in student enrollment

All Country winners receive:

- USD 1,000 Cash Prize
- Award Certificate
- Wall Plaque