

THE IMPACT OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT IN THE EDUCATION OF THE CHILD AND THE PROSPECT OF LIFELONG LEARNING IN NIGERIA.

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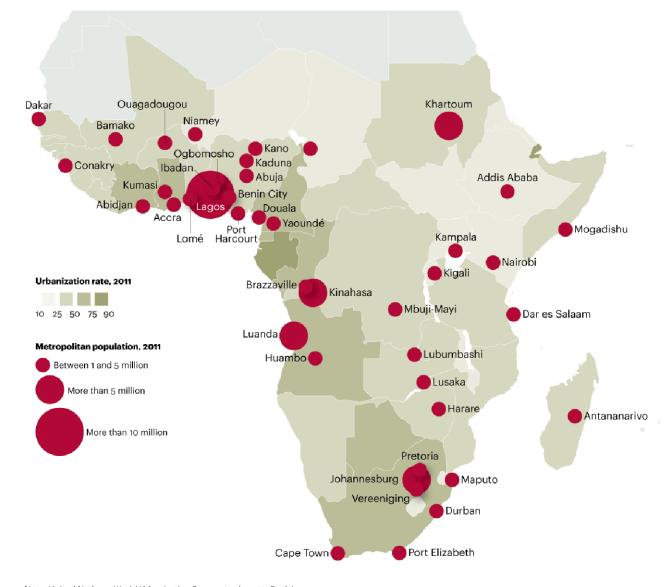




#### **NIGERIA**

Africa's most populous country ~ 170 million people

Home to Sub-Saharan Africa's most populous city of 20 million - LAGOS



Note: United Nations, World Urbanization Prospects, the 2011 Revision



#### PRSENTATION OUTLINE

- Insight into on-going study
- Discuss Interventions
- Secondary school examination performance
- Highlight implications
- Recommendations for quality education







Better Family

Better Business

**Better Society** 





# MILITARY ERA IMPLICATIONS

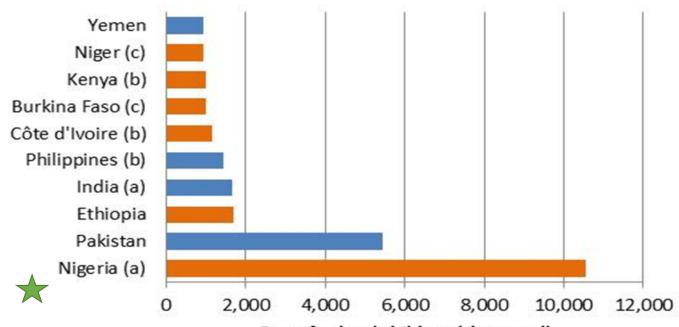
- Suppression of rights
- Destruction of national values
- Contrary socio-economic behaviors
- Cult culture and vices in school



#### **TODAY**

# 6 out of 10 countries with the most out-of-school children are in Africa

2011 (or most recent data available)



Out-of-school children (thousand)



Source: UNESCO Institute of Statistics database, 2013.

# RESEARCH PARTNERSHIP









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#### THE RESEARCH

#### **Objective**

To understand the impact of work-family conflict on children education

#### **Data Collection**

Public and private schools in high brow, mid brow and low brow areas



# **FINDINGS**



Students that come from homes with DUAL INCOME parents



Work-Family conflict stress: negatively impacts child performance impacts poorer health



Children with less parental involvement, were more likely to have behavioral problems



# PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT AND EXTERNALIZING BEHAVIORS

- Research questions:
  - What parental work experiences and involvement in their kids' lives predict externalizing behaviors in low-income public schools?
  - What role does parents' self-confidence in their parenting skills play in discussing their kids' future and ultimately child wellbeing?
- Meta-analytic research\* shows that externalizing behaviors (e.g. physical and verbal aggression, defiance) strongly relates to children's academic performance



# **INTERVENTIONS**





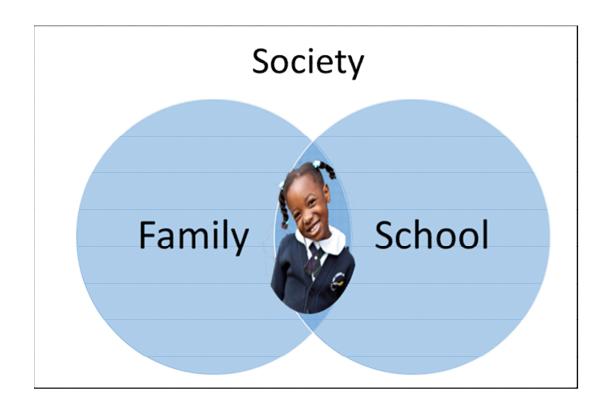
Every home is a university and the parents are the teachers

Mahalma Gandhi





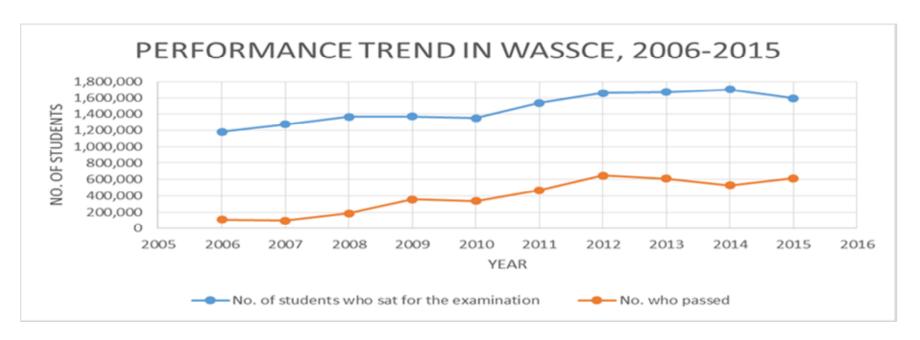
# CREATING THE RIGHT ATMOSPHERE





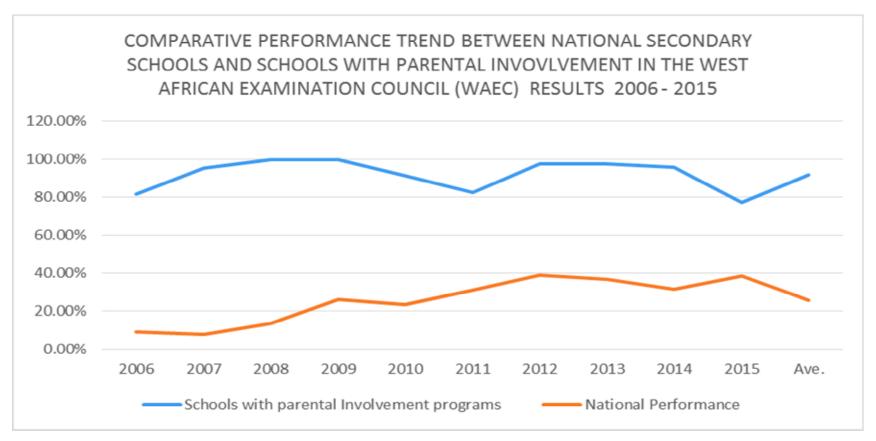
#### THE NATIONAL TREND

PERFORMANCE TREND IN SENIOR SECONDARY SCHOOL EXAMINATION RESULTS (WASSCE) 2006 – 2015 IN NIGERIA





#### THE IMPACT OF PARENTAL INVOLVEMENT





"When parents are engaged in their children's schooling, students get better grades, score higher on standardized tests, have better attendance records, drop out less often, have higher career aspirations, and hold more positive attitudes toward school and homework."

Steinberg, 1996

# **CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**



Underdevelopment







**Terrorism** 

#### **CONCLUSION AND RECOMMENDATIONS**







Re-enact national values & inculcate virtues in the child

Stamp out corruption from the roots

Socio-economic development

#### **FINALLY**

Policies

Parental involvement in the education of their child Training of teachers to equip them to collaborate with parents

# Thank you