

Public Secondary School of Adjagbo
Distict of Akassato,
Municipality of Abomey-Calavi,
Republic of Benin

From Cotonou we take the main road that connects the south of the country to the north. We pass Godomey, Calavi and Akassato. At the large truck park, we turn left onto a red soil road and go past the Adjagbo Catholic Church to the secondary school, which is located about 30 km from Cotonou.

Adjagbo is a small town in the district of Akassato. This administrative district has about 61,000 inhabitants. The town itself has about 6,100 inhabitants. The population lives from agriculture, small trade and small handicrafts. Many people commute to the city to earn a living there.

The secondary school was founded in 2014 and the students come from the 10 surrounding elementary schools to prepare for the intermediate level here. The school is registered under number N°597/MFSFJPRIJ/DC/DPP/SGSI/SA. The parents have erected a building that houses 2 classrooms and the offices for the principal and secretary. There are also shelters made of corrugated roofing sheets with a total of 12 classrooms. In 2019 we built 2 buildings with a total of 8 classrooms, toilets with 8 cabins and a water tower with a borehole for this fast-growing school. All rooms are clean and well maintained.

In the academic year 2017/2018, 240 children attended this school, 119 of them girls. The students were looked after by 20 teachers who were paid by the government of Benin. In the academic year 2021/2022, the number of students rose to 1,519. Among them are 771 girls. Registration for the new academic year 2022/2023 is not yet complete. However, 1,650 are already registered.

To enable the students of this secondary school to attend classes throughout the academic year and independent of weather conditions, at least 16 additional classrooms would have to be set up.

However, it was discussed with the PTA council to plan the following measures for 2023:

1. the construction of two buildings holding four classrooms each equipped with power instalation and
Cost: 98.000 € (49.000 € each building)
2. two sanitary blocks with 8 cabins each
Cost: 16.000 € (8.000 € each toilet block)
3. salaries of personal: Person in charge of the construction site 228 € x 6 = 1.370 €,
technician of construction 305 € x 6 =1.830 €
total 3.200 €
4. Control: 3.000 €

The estimated total cost is 120,200 €

25% of the total cost are 30,050 €.

We are still looking for donations for this project!

This project will be accompanied by the following CD measures:

1. A sensitization of the students on the topic “Let's consume locally”.
Cost : 5.000 €
2. Raising awareness concerning the problem of waste which will be supplemented by a project to compost organic waste and use it in a school garden.
Cost : 4.000 €

The costs of the two CD measures amount to €9,000 each

