In Our Village
Fall, 2010
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Course Description:
Students will spend a semester in a course devoted to service learning, where the concentration will be to study the country of Tanzania, East Africa and our school, Cathedral High School. The course will culminate in a volume of In Our Village created about Cathedral High School. Proceeds from the book will benefit the Cathedral High School Tuition Assistance Fund and the Awet Secondary Scholarship Fund.

Textbook:
This I Believe
This I Believe Journal
Hip Deep
The Snows of Kilimanjaro
In Our Village: Kimbi ya Simba

Video:
Out of Africa
The Snows of Kilimanjaro

Weekly Goals

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Week 1  Discuss course objections; distribute texts
Week 2  Moving classroom: hold class in different location each day to get a feel for the school. Talk about who we are and what we want to do. Travelling chart. Assign: This I Believe
Week 3  Research: Tanzania (culture, religion, current politics, past politics, family, historical background, agriculture, Masaai, important landmarks, education, language, major cities/areas, Great Rift Valley, Odevai Gorge, Mt. Kilimanjaro)
Week 4  Presentations: Tanzania
Week 5  Discuss: This I Believe; Create list of writing ideas
Week 6  Assign: Hip Deep; Confirm writing assignments
Week 7  Write; Guest speaker on writing
Week 8  Peer edit in groups; group picture taken
Week 9  Read: Hemingway
Week 10  View: Snows of Kilimanjaro
Week 12  Write; Guest speaker on climbing Kilimanjaro
Week 13  Peer edit in groups
Week 14  This I Believe essay (based on journal entries)
Week 15  Final review of essays; review of photographs
Week 16  View Out of Africa
Week 17  Final, final review of essays; final selection of photographs
Week 18  FINALS: This I Believe essay electronic submission