# DREAMERS PULSE

Empowering dreams, one story at a time

# The Journey Continues: Q2 Perspectives from the Helm

As we wrap up the second quarter of 2025, I'm filled with renewed gratitude and excitement for everything we've achieved and all that we're building together. This quarter has not only solidified our collective commitment to purpose but also propelled us forward in bold and inspiring ways.

In parallel with the program milestones, our team has been quietly laying the groundwork for a more connected future. We've invested in refining our internal systems and developing new pathways for student-led innovation.

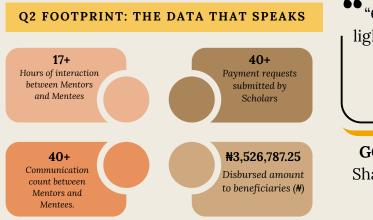
Looking ahead, we are thrilled to announce a dual milestone: Dream Rite's 10th anniversary in December 2025, and with it, the launch of our most transformative initiative yet: our expansion into East Africa. This moment marks more than just growth; it's a bold step toward unlocking new horizons of opportunity for students across the continent. One of the highlights of the quarter was the MentorMe Drill held on May 10th, an event dedicated to deep connection, empowerment, and

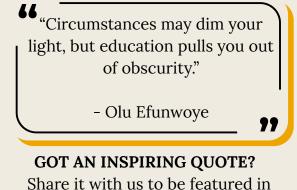
growth within our MentorMe community.



The passion and participation of our mentors and mentees served as a powerful reminder that when we gather with intention, we create outcomes that resonate far beyond the moment.

To our extraordinary donors, mentors, and partners, thank you. You are the driving force behind this mission. If you share our excitement for the road ahead, we invite you to consider setting up a recurring donation to help scale our programs and elevate our impact. We're not just celebrating another quarter; we are building a legacy.





our next edition!

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#### MENTORME QUARTERLY DRILL

The second MentorMe Quarterly Drill of 2025, held on May 10, continued to inspire young minds with its theme, "Exploring Opportunities for Personal and Professional Growth." Designed to help DCF mentees refine their skills and mindset, the meeting featured insightful sessions led by experienced mentors.

Key topics included Developing Abilities(2), Relationship Management, Goal Setting, Developing a Growth Mindset, Leadership Starts with You, and Self-Comparison. Each discussion provided practical strategies for personal development, leadership, and self-awareness.

The success of this session underscores the importance of continuous learning and structured mentorship in shaping future leaders.



To ensure continued learning, a comprehensive slide deck was shared post-event, along with practical worksheets to help mentees implement the insights gained.

As we build momentum, the next quarterly drill promises even more impactful sessions to support mentees on their journey toward success. Stay tuned for updates, and let's keep growing together!

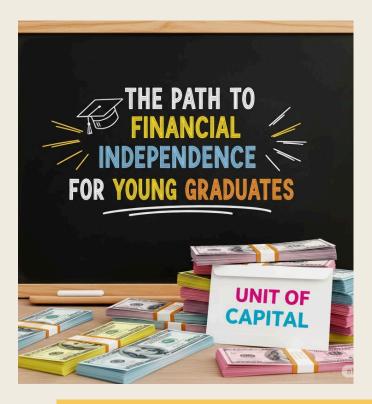


#### DCF 2025 APPLICATION OPENING

The Dreamers College Fund (DCF) 2025 5th Edition is now open for applications, offering **#1 million** in scholarships, mentorship, and a supportive community for young Nigerians. If you're under 25 and either a recent secondary school graduate or a first-year university student, this opportunity is designed to help you achieve your academic and career goals.

<u>Applicants must submit two short essays</u> reflecting on their future aspirations and the value of their education. The application period runs from June 1 to July 15, 2025. **Click here to apply.** 

#### BUILDING FINANCIAL INDEPENDENCE: INSIGHTS FROM PROF NDUBUISI EKEKWE



part of our financial literacy As spotlight, we're highlighting a powerful insight shared by Prof. Ndubuisi Ekekwe on how young professionals can begin crafting their journey to financial freedom. If you're just starting out like many new graduates in Lagos don't just earn and spend your salary. Prof. Ekekwe shares that the wealth of nations and individuals is rooted in how they use capital, not just currency. He encourages young earners to allocate a fixed portion of their income to investments and asset-building, rather than relying solely on laborbased earnings. For more details on the post, click here

#### VOICES FROM THE GROUPS: QUARTERLY ACTIVITY DIGEST

#### Group Name: Dream Rite Techies Academic Programs: Comp Sci, Cybersec., Eng, IT Group Leader: Ojoma Anyebe

Last quarter, the team held a Zoom session where members shared helpful resources, internship recommendations, and participated in a Q&A on academic and career development. This quarter, the focus continues with regular knowledge-sharing meetings, peer accountability partnerships, and ongoing access to growth-oriented tools.

#### Group Name: Bright Minds DCF

Academic Programs: Agric, Horti, Microbio., Law

#### Group Leader: Testimony Igbinosa

The group has made meaningful progress despite academic pressures. They established a team identity, built strong member connections, and the leader engaged personally to align strengths and goals. Although major projects haven't begun, planning is in full swing, and the team remains united, optimistic, and ready to take action.

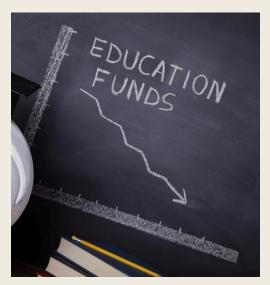
#### Group Name: **The Dream Health Team** Academic Programs: **Medicine, Pharmacy, Nursing** Group Leader: **Glory Onunwa**

Last Quarter Highlights: The newly named Dream-Health Team (DHT) held its first meeting, brainstorming initiatives in two key areas: Academics/Research and Community Development. Sectional heads were appointed to lead each focus, and implementation of activities is now underway.

#### Group Name: **The Dynamite Circle** Academic Programs: **Econs., Acct., Banking** Group Leader: **Balquees Abubakar**

The Dynamite Circle helps finance scholars grow professionally and academically. They update CVs and LinkedIn profiles to stay career-ready. Members meet to analyze financial news and sharpen insights. Their book club is reading A Journey in Service by Ibrahim Babangida. They share internships and scholarships that help each other.

#### DCF DISBURSEMENT PROCESS - POLICY UPDATE & IMPLEMENTATION



During the Q2 quarterly drill held on May 10, 2025, scholars were briefed on important updates to the DCF Disbursement process. Key highlights included the textbook expense guidelines and a revised timeline for indirect payment requests. Once approved, reimbursement submissions must be made within 10 days; otherwise, the request will be closed. Scholars were also reminded that all payment requests must be submitted via the official email channel; WhatsApp is not recognized for payment communications.

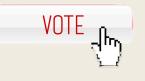
Additionally, a new policy has been implemented: Scholars who are absent from quarterly drills and mentorship sessions will be ineligible to submit DCF payment requests for the following quarter. This measure reinforces the importance of active participation and accountability within the program.

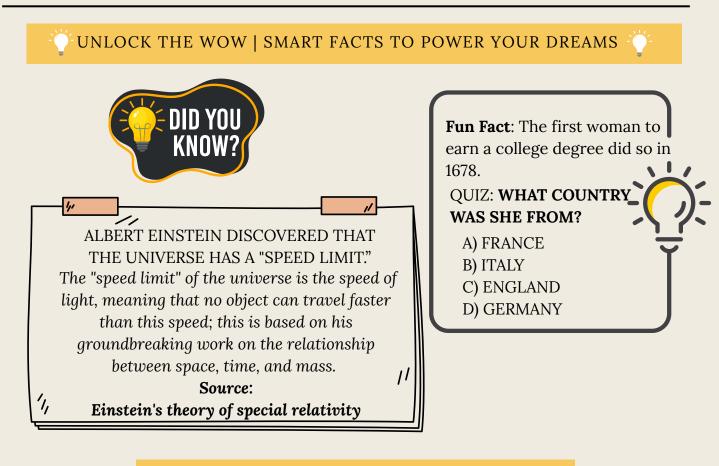
DREAM RITE IS EXPANDING - VOTE FOR OUR NEXT COUNTRY!





We are taking Dream Rite beyond Nigeria and into East Africa! But we need your help to decide which country to expand to next. Click the button to cast your vote and be part of this exciting journey!



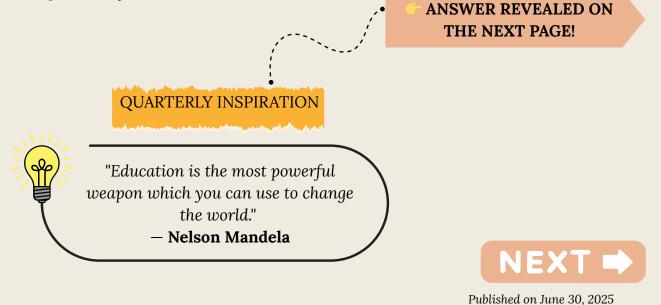


# TWO TRUTH & A LIE: SCHOLARSHIP EDITION

Think you know all there is to know about scholarships? Let's play a quick game.

Can you spot the lie? | Which of these statements is incorrect?

- Some scholarships don't require a GPA at all.
- You can only apply for scholarships during your senior year of high school.
- There are scholarships for things like being left-handed or making duct tape prom outfits.



### TWO TRUTH & A LIE: ANSWER

#### The lie is:

"You can only apply for scholarships during your senior year of high school."
Why it's a lie:
You can apply for scholarships before, during, and even after your senior year.
Some are available to middle schoolers, college students, grad students, and even adult learners returning to school.

QUIZ ANSWER

**Fun Fact:** The first woman to earn a college degree did so in 1678.

Answer: B (ITALY)

"The more that you read, the more things you will know. The more that you learn, the more places you'll go." — **Dr. Seuss** 

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