

# CAMBODIAN SCHOOL PROJECT

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## Progress Report for Spring, 2015



Again this year we gave students at our six grade schools each a new school uniform and school supplies. Graduation rates continue very much improved. Students at all schools were comfortable and engaged in class.



We have been giving modest funding for each school to improve buildings and grounds. All of us are impressed with the progress.

The first improvement project at each school was always to fill the holes and low areas to make a better surface for running about and playing. The next improvement was to install a fence to keep out the wandering livestock. All schools now have smooth, fenced playgrounds. They now are adding other improvements, including our long-term goal, organic gardens.



At Poum Steung we added rich fill from the river bottom to garden land we purchased with the village two years ago. We added topsoil to the garden at Tampoeung. At Kok Thmei (where we gave floor tile last year) we gave bamboo walls. This volunteer-built addition is nearly finished. At Srei Pou, they found other funding for a water tank and used our funding to bring electricity to the school. The Kouy improved access to their excellent pond and now have a government road right to the school gate.



Our technical school students are doing better than last year's class at this time. We are using new English software this year. And we hired two of last year's graduates as teaching assistants for 2015. They organize the cooking, gardening and chores, and teach introductory English and computer use, a big help to staff. To get an idea of our school culture, and of our students, please look on YouTube at videos made early this year by Kelly Williams:

"A Day in the Life of JHP Skola" and "The Students of JHP Skola"



We think our students are doing very well. The teachers and principals are thoughtful and work hard. You contributors continue to provide the resources to make all this happen. We offer you a picture of a meal we grew in our school garden (all but the rice). *Aukun Shahrn* for your gift that makes this happen.

