



UMATI EDUCATION ACTIVITY SUMMARY

UMATI and its members are involved in the following education initiatives:

- UMATI Members are sponsoring primary school initiatives.
- KVA Social Responsibility Initiative support 4 primary schools in various forms, such as access to wifi, upgrading school libraries & kitchens
- Farm visits for school children to get introduction to agriculture and identify promising students to support.
- 12 students are supported by bursaries at Weston Agricultural College, which is R480 000 per year.
- Tertiary education and an Agricultural University bursary are available for one student.
- Tertiary college student tours to uMati farms to get true commercial agriculture insight.
- UMATI have 9 students participating in their internship year on Commercial Farms, where funding assistance comes from MPO & Future Farmers.
- There are two junior managers, currently employed, who have travelled overseas & worked on Commercial Dairy Farms in Australia before returning to SA.

UMATI requests further funding to:

- (1) Weston Students to become full time boarders, enabling them to actively participate in all agricultural and social activities
- (2) To support tertiary agricultural training
- (3) Support UMATI Bursary students for Weston Graduates
- (4) Support KVA Social Responsibility Initiatives in assisting the Thendela Community
- (5) To increase admin and mentorship capacity for education & training