

Supporting Education & Community Growth

Mavuno Nordic — Food Security, Youth Opportunity, and Stronger Communities

At Mavuno Nordic, we connect East Africa's rich farming heritage with Nordic business values to deliver consistent, high-quality staple foods. Our work goes beyond food: we empower farmers, create meaningful jobs for youth, and contribute to regional food security and education. This page outlines how our supply chains and partnerships translate into real benefits for classrooms, families, and communities.

Why Education Matters to Food Systems

Food security and education reinforce one another. Stable access to nutritious staples helps children learn, while schools provide a trusted hub for nutrition, skills training, and community support. By strengthening farmer livelihoods and local processing, we help households keep children in school and open pathways to dignified work.

Our Community Approach

We design initiatives with communities, not for them. Guided by our values integrity, sustainability, equality, and fairness, we partner with schools, youth groups, and local leaders to deliver practical, measurable support. We also collaborate with specialist organisations to integrate mental-health awareness, mentoring, and life-skills into our education efforts.

Program Pillars

1) School Nutrition & Food Security

- Reliable staples for school feeding and after-school clubs using rice, beans, maize, and cassava processed to high standards.
- Nutrition education that connects what children eat with how it is grown and stored.
- Procurement that favors local smallholders, so school meals strengthen the economy around the school.

2) Youth Skills & Employment

- Internships and apprenticeships in agro-processing, quality control, logistics, and sales.
- Short courses co-delivered with vocational institutions on post-harvest handling, safety, and entrepreneurship.
- Job-matching that prioritises women and under-represented youth.



3) Women's Enterprise & Farmer Cooperatives

- Practical training in bookkeeping, packaging, and market access.
- Long-term offtake arrangements that reward consistent quality and sustainable practices.
- Peer-to-peer learning networks to spread proven techniques quickly.

4) Mental Health & Wellbeing in Schools

- Awareness sessions for students, teachers, and caregivers on stress, stigma, and help-seeking.
- Simple classroom practices that build resilience and belonging.
- Referral pathways to trusted local support where needed.

5) Community Safety, Coaching & Positive Choices

- Mindset coaching and mentoring for young people to increase confidence, communication, and problem-solving.
- Restorative approaches that strengthen relationships between schools, families, and neighbourhoods.
- Youth-led projects that improve local spaces and build pride.

How We Work

- Co-design with communities and educators from day one.
- Evidence-led pilots, then scale what works.
- Local hiring and supplier development to keep value in the community.
- Clear safeguards for child protection and data privacy.

Measuring Impact

We track the basics and the bigger picture:

- Access: number of schools supported; meals provided; learners reached.
- Learning: attendance, retention, and progression especially for girls and vulnerable learners.
- Livelihoods: smallholders engaged; fair-price purchases; jobs and apprenticeships created.
- Wellbeing: self-reported resilience and belonging; referrals to support services.
- Environment: post-harvest loss reductions; sustainable farming and processing practices.

Partner With Us

We welcome collaboration with schools, NGOs, local government, foundations, and mission-aligned investors. Together, we can turn reliable food supply chains into stronger classrooms and communities.



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Inspiration & Collaborators

- Inner Connect (mental-health awareness and youth education initiatives in Tanzania, Kenya, Mozambique, Malawi, Zambia and South Africa).
- Catalyst in Communities (youth engagement, coaching, and community development).
- Mavuno Nordic (mission, values, and commitment to youth employment, education, and food security).