

NYONGESA BRENDAN NANJALA



My name is Nyongesa Brenda Nanjala. I'm twelve years old, born on 15th June, 2007. In our family, I'm the first born and the only sister with two brothers. I started school at Nzoia Primary School in Bungoma County, Kenya, in 2012 in grade 1. Back then my performance was average, which can be attributed to lack of fee many times when we were sent back home to collect it. On reaching grade 8, it became mandatory for one to become a boarder in school as per the routine. My parents were unable to meet this

requirements due to our low living standards, therefore it meant that I had to operate on day-scholar basis which was quite tedious. My home was a bit far from school and this meant I had to wake up as early as 4 am so that I could be able to reach school on time. My father used to take me to school on a bicycle and picked me up at 9pm when we'd be done with preps.

Other challenges have been lack of basic needs at home like paraffin. There are countless nights that I went without studying for this reason. Lack of books for revision and other studies presented another critical challenge. I also used to go to school on an empty stomach due to lack of food at home. Despite all these, I managed to score 354 marks in my Kenya Certificate for Primary Education exams. Surprisingly, I performed much better than most pupils who were on a fulltime basis in school.

I want to become a lawyer in future and enlighten people on the importance of abiding by the laws in our country. Most of them are reckless and I'm certain this would make a huge difference should I be able to achieve my dreams. In primary school I liked all subjects but my favorite were Mathematics and Kiswahili because I enjoyed reading and doing calculations. Science was quite difficult for me therefore was my least favorite.

I'm physically healthy and strong. I like playing netball, singing and always participated in dramas in primary school. Cooking is also one of my hobbies. I come from a Christian background which I ascribe to myself. This belief has helped me and my family live in peace. My parents are my role models because they are kind and good at working and are also caring.

I heard about Living Hope High School from my village friends who had positive attributions about it. I and my father were encouraged to seek an opportunity during interviews and see

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if I'd be accepted. I feel very happy that I was considered and accepted to come to this school. From the moment I received the calling letter, I knew that I'm going to be part of the good reputation of this school and I'm sure I'll pass my exams since it's an institution grounded in success, hence realization of my dreams.

Since there is no one from my family with a good paying job, meeting my school requirements, like tuition fee and other essentials would be a nightmare. It is for this reason that I pray that God would touch the heart of any his son/daughter who would consider supporting me through my high school education. I would be grateful since this will shade more light on my dreams and future. I promise to study and work hard. I know I've the potential to make it and I'd like you to become part of it.

God Bless you.

