



SAAS

SPONSOR AN AFRICAN SCHOLAR

STUDENT PROFILE



NAME: Dickens

AGE: 17

SCHOOL: St. Mathias' Kholera Boys' High School

COURSE: Secondary School Education.

CAREER: Doctor

Dickens is a 17-year-old student currently in Form Three at St. Mathias' Kholera Boys' High School. He aspires to become an **Accountant** in the future.

Dickens is the firstborn in a family of three children—two girls and one boy. Following the separation of their parents, the children were left under the care of their elderly grandmother. His father struggles with alcoholism, while his mother relocated to Nairobi and has not returned to the family. Due to her advanced age and frailty, their grandmother is unable to adequately meet the children's needs.

The family relies on occasional support from uncles who engage in manual labour; however, this assistance is inconsistent and insufficient. As a result, Dickens' education has been significantly affected, with frequent interruptions caused by unpaid school fees.

During school holidays, Dickens stays with his aunt in Kongowea, where he assists with household chores in exchange for minimal support. It was through this aunt that his case was presented to SAAS, marking a turning point in his educational journey. Dickens has since secured a bursary and remains hopeful of receiving a full scholarship to enable him to complete his secondary education.

Dickens is a hardworking and determined student. His favourite subjects are **Mathematics** and **Business Studies**, while **Physics** remains his most challenging subject. In his free time, he enjoys playing football. Despite the challenges he has faced, Dickens remains hopeful, committed to his studies, and determined to achieve his dream.

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