

## STUDENT PROFILE



**NAME:** Omar

**AGE:** 16

**SCHOOL:** Kongowea Secondary School

**COURSE:** Secondary School Education

**CAREER:** Doctor

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Omar is a 16-year-old boy with a strong dream of becoming a Doctor one day.

He sat for his Kenya Junior School Education Assessment (KJSEA) and achieved an impressive score of 51 out of 72 points.

Omar was initially admitted to Mazeras High School in Kilifi County, but he lost the opportunity after his parents were unable to raise the required school fees. Determined not to give up, he sought admission to a day school and managed to secure a place at Kongowea Secondary School.

Unfortunately, financial constraints continued to pose a serious challenge, putting his education at risk.

Just as Omar was about to lose hope and drop out of school, the SAAS scholarship came at a critical time. With this support, he has been able to settle into school and focus on his studies as he works towards achieving his dream.

Omar is the second-born in a family of three boys. He lives with his parents in a single-room house with electricity but no running water. His father works as a matatu (minibus) driver, while his mother is a housewife. His elder brother is in Form 4, and his younger brother is in Grade 9. Meeting the cost of school fees for three children while providing daily necessities has been a major challenge for the family.

Despite these hardships, Omar remains hopeful, determined, and focused on his future. His favourite subjects are Science, Pre-Technical Studies, and Agriculture. In his free time, he enjoys playing football.

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