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STUDENT PROFILE



NAME: Riana

AGE: 16

SCHOOL: Ribe Girls Secondary School

COURSE: Secondary School Education

CAREER: Pilot

Riana is a 16-year-old Form 4 student at **Ribe Girls Secondary School** who aspires to become a **Pilot** in the future. She is driven by a strong fascination with aircraft and a deep desire to rise above the limitations of her circumstances through education.

She is the first-born in a family of three children (two girls and one boy). Riana has consistently demonstrated leadership, resilience, and strong academic potential. Her family faces significant financial hardship. Her father, who was the primary breadwinner, is unable to work due to an epileptic condition, leaving her mother as the sole provider. Her mother earns a modest income by plaiting hair within the neighborhood.

The family lives in a single-room house with electricity but no running water, providing very limited space for a growing family. Riana's two younger siblings are still in primary school, further increasing the financial strain on the household.

Riana performed well in her KCPE examinations in 2022, scoring 339 marks out of 500, which reflects her strong academic ability. However, persistent financial challenges have made her secondary school journey difficult, with school fees often posing a major obstacle.

Despite these challenges, Riana remains focused, determined, and hopeful. She strongly believes that with consistent support, she can succeed academically and uplift her family from poverty. The SAAS scholarship has provided the much-needed relief that she and her family had been praying for, allowing her to continue pursuing her education with renewed confidence.

In her free time, Riana enjoys dancing and listening to music. Academically, she demonstrates strength across various subjects and remains deeply passionate about pursuing a career in aviation.

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