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## STUDENT PROFILE



**NAME:** Shantele

**AGE:** 15

**SCHOOL:** Mudavadi Girls High School

**COURSE:** Secondary School Education.

**CAREER:** Doctor

Shantele is a 15-year-old girl who dreams of becoming a Doctor one day.

In 2025, she sat for her Kenya Junior School Education Assessment (KJSEA) and earned admission to Mudavadi Girls High School in western Kenya. However, her ability to continue her education depended on access to financial support.

Shantele is the firstborn in a family of three children—two girls and one boy. She lives with her father and stepmother in a modest double-room house with electricity but no running water. The family relies mainly on her father, who works as a hawker at Kongowea Market.

Her stepmother supplements the household income by taking on manual jobs such as washing clothes for neighbours. Despite their combined efforts, the family's income is barely sufficient to meet basic needs, making school fees a significant challenge.

Despite the difficult circumstances at home, Shantele remains optimistic, resilient, and determined to continue her education. She strongly believes that with the right support, she can pursue her dream of becoming a doctor.

The SAAS scholarship awarded to her has renewed her hope and affirmed her belief that her dreams are valid and achievable.

Her favourite subject is Integrated Science, and in her free time she enjoys cycling.

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