

Student Profile

Name: **Rosa Dabulu**

Gender: Female
Date of birth: 5th May 1997
Place of birth: Lusaka, Zambia

Mother: Martha Muteba
Profession: Teacher
Father: Deceased

Primary School: Simon Mwansa Kapwepwe Basic School

Secondary School: **Pestalozzi Education Centre**

2012 Grade Level: **Grade 10**



Family Background:

Rosa lives with her aunt and uncle in their parents' home in Garden compound. Her mother is working as a teacher outside of Livingstone, and now only returns to Lusaka during school holidays. There are a total of 5 people living in the two-room home (the aunt has two children who are 10 and 8). Rosa's uncle does side jobs in Lusaka while her aunt, who is 20, just wrote her grade 12 exams. Her father passed away when she was 1. Since being in KF, Rosa's family has been able to help the others in the household finish school. Her mother is now pursuing a degree in guidance counseling, something that would have been impossible if she was still being burdened with Rosa's school fees.

Educational Background:

Primary – Simon Mwansa Kapwepwe Basic School

Rosa started at Simon Mwansa Kapwepwe in 2003. Because of her small size she tended to get bullied, but she always attempted to stand up for herself. She was consistently number 1 or 2 in her class and had 924 marks on her mock exam, second in her class. She enjoyed science, mathematics, and English.

At Leopards Hill Secondary School

Grade 8

Rosa got off to an exceptional start at LHS. She earned the top spot in her class across terms one, two, and three, earning 5 1's during her last term! Her teachers described her as a very "impressive" student and hope that she will continue to excel at LHS throughout her career. At the graduation and prize-giving day at the end of last year, Rosa stole the show, earning a total of 8 awards (all of this in front of the guest of honor, the United States Ambassador Mark Storella). Rosa earned honors for the best student in French, geography, English, religious education, civics, and environmental science, as well as awards for the overall best in grade 8 and the "smartest Junior girl." Rosa is also a very skilled athlete and was proud her performance on Sports Day, where she earned a prize in the long jump.

Grade 9

Rosa's strong performance has continued into Grade 9. In Term 1 she earned high marks, placing her at 2nd position in her class. Term 2 was no exception to Rosa's high level of achievement. Bringing in 4 A's and 5 B's she earned 1st in her class again. Her level of discipline has made an impact on her teachers and they encourage her to continue this performance into Term 3.

Rosa's Interests:

Rosa enjoys reading, writing, dancing, singing, and watching television. She also participates in running (the 200m), where she says she usually competes for the number one spot. She also is part of a dance group at church in which they dance with their hands, and enjoys reading storybooks about HIV and AIDS which teach her to obey her parents. In Grade 9 she joined the Wildlife Conservation Club at school and has giving back to her community through a teaching service project.

Rosa's Career Interest:

She aspires to be an accountant. She said, if successful, she would like to help those who are poor and those who cannot go to school. She would also like to build an orphanage. Rosa likes how her community works to accomplish things together

Teacher's Comments:

"Her overall performance in all the subjects is quite good. She is active academically and socially."

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Rosa's Thoughts:

"My name is Rosa Dabulu and I am a girl aged 12. I was born on 3rd May 1997 at the University Teaching Hospital. In our family I am the first and last born. I am from the southern part of Zambia known as Mazbuka. I am from a single parent family, my mother's name is Martha Muteba. She is 36 years old and taking good care of me since my father died. My mother is a teacher at Our Lady's School. She has two brothers and one sister and one nephew and three nieces. As for me I am alone. We were twins by my twin sister was late. She left when she was a baby.

There are many things I would like my community to improve if I were to be a success in my career choice. As my career is to become a doctor or accountant, I would like to help the poor people in my community who are not able to go to school because of financial problems. I would like to decrease disease in my country and community, diseases such as malaria and cholera. I have always dreamt of being a doctor and sometimes an accountant but would be happy if my dream comes true."