

Meet Paul Phiri



Profile

Name	Paul Phiri
Birth Date	June 18th,2007
Birth Place	Lusaka, Zambia
Residence	Chawama
Mother's name	Loveness Phiri
Mother's occupation	Marketeer
Father's Name	Limbani Phiri
Father's Occupation	Plumber
Primary School	Chawama Primary school
Secondary School	Pestalozzi Education Centre
2021 grade level	Grade 8

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Paul's Family

Paul comes from a family of six. He lives with his mother, father, his elder brother and with two nieces. His father is a plumber by occupation and his mother sells fruits and vegetables in the street markets of Chawama. His elder brother is in 9th grade together with one of his nieces leaving the younger in 8th grade. Despite having working parents, his family faces financial vulnerability when it comes to meeting his family's daily needs as their incomes are inadequate to supplement all of them. He feels that the KF scholarship would lessen the burden on his struggling parents as his education and part of his daily needs would be covered by the scholarship program.

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Paul's Educational Background

Paul attended primary school at Chawama Primary. An outstanding student, he regularly passed in the top 5 of his class and on numerous exams he would score 1st or 2nd. He has been a class captain/monitor since 5th grade. Paul is a magnet of good health, hence he likes to invite his friends at home in games of soccer to ease the academic pressure. With regard to his personal ambition, Paul strives to be a medical doctor in the future. Paul is currently attending secondary education at Pestalozzi Education Centre.

Paul's Extracurricular Activities

When he is not studying, Paul could be found playing a game of soccer with his friends. He loves the sport to the point that he practices every time he gets the chance to enhance his skill and fitness. His role model is Cristiano Ronaldo, an international Portuguese football star who has played for Manchester United, Real Madrid and many other popular football clubs.

Paul's Thoughts

During the orientation interview, Paul stated that he has observed that his community and the world at large has been having a drastic increase in substance abuse and the immoral behaviours which come forward with the abuse, and he feels that this will have a very negative impact on future generations. He has researched that abuse of substances such as alcohol and cannabis can affect the normal functioning of the human body and can hinder productivity. He feels that warnings are not effective enough to make people aware of the negative impact of abuse because people are not affected now but in the future. It is for this reason that his career ambition is to be a medical doctor. He hopes that as he ascends academically, he should be able to bring people together around him to fight against the abuse and to take care of those regretting their actions.