

JEREMY LUCAS EDUCATION FUND STUDENTS REPORT

Ewaso Lions recognises the critical link between education and conservation.

Tomorrow's wildlife leaders must be equipped with a solid education today, empowering them to make informed choices to tackle the challenges facing Africa's wildlife and people. Students from northern Kenya finish primary school but lack the funds to attend secondary school as their families are often struggling.

Ewaso Lions through the Jeremy Lucas Education Fund (JLEF) is currently sponsoring fifteen promising students to attend highly ranked secondary schools, colleges and universities in Kenya. Under the Jeremy Lucas Education Fund sponsorship, their tuition and other expenses are covered for the full academic years.





Angeline Wanjiru

Angeline comes from Kalama Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: She is a single parent child with 3 siblings.
Education: She is currently in Form 4 (final year of secondary school) at Kisima Girls' High School in Samburu.
Achievements: Angeline has consistently posted good grades attaining a C+ grade and is working hard to pass her final examinations and join University. She has won certificates for attaining top positions in the Kenya Science and Engineering fair in Samburu County.
Co-curriculum: She is a member of the music club in school and has participated in many music festivals representing her school. She is a member of the journalism club and writes about school activities.



Eunice Njakunoi

Eunice comes from Meibae conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: She is the first born in a family of 4.
Education: She completed her Kenya Certificate of Secondary Education (KCSE) in 2019 and scored a C+. She is set to join Kabarak University to study a Bachelor of Science degree in Telecommunication.
Achievements: She is currently interning at Ewaso Lions and helping with general camp duties. Before Covid-19, Eunice was teaching Mama Simba and helping at the Lion Kids Camp as a teaching assistant.



France Ekidam

France comes from Nasulu Conservancy in Isiolo County.
Family: He has five siblings.
Education: France is pursuing a certificate course in Electrical Engineering at the Samburu Technical and Vocational College in Archers Post.
Achievements: He has finished his first internship at Ewaso Lions where he was helping with Lion Kids Camp, JLEF and general camp duties. He enjoys technical drawing lessons and learning about electrical installations.
Co-curriculum: His hobbies include indoor games and watching wildlife documentaries. He also loves going on wildlife safaris to view wildlife in Samburu National Reserve.



Gabriel Lekirmui

Junior comes from Westgate Conservancy in Samburu County.
Education: He is currently in Form 2 (second year of secondary school) at Maralal High School.
Achievements: Takes part in Lion Kids Camp whenever he is around and on several occasions joins Jeneria and the field team to go look for lions. His best subjects in school are English and biology. Junior became a warrior in early 2020.
Co-curriculum: Junior is a fantastic artist and loves drawing lions in particular. He hopes to join Ewaso Lions and is excited to work alongside warriors in lion conservation in the future.



Hassan Dulacha

Hassan comes from Nakuprat Gotu Conservancy between Shaba and Buffalo Springs National Reserves in Isiolo County.
Family: Hassan sadly lost his father in a road accident when he was returning home from escorting him to join high school. Our team has become very close to and remain connected to Hassan frequently
Education: Currently in Form 2 at Maseno National School – a National School in Western Kenya.
Achievements: His best subjects are English and history.
Co-curriculum: His hobbies include playing football and herding goats during school holidays.



Jacob Lekukuton

Jacob comes from Westgate Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: He comes from a large family and has 11 siblings.
Education: He is currently in Form 2 at Maralal High School.
Achievements: Last year he scored an aggregate of C+. His favorite subjects are biology and English.
Co-curriculum: His hobbies include playing football.



James Mwenda

James comes from Ol Donyiro Conservancy in Isiolo County.
Family: He comes from a large pastoralist family and has 9 siblings.
Education: He is currently in Form 3 at Good Shepard Minor Seminary in Maralal.
Achievements: His best subjects are Christian religious education and history.
Co-curriculum: His hobbies include reading novels and participating in athletics during schools sport events.



Jonathan Lenairewa

Jonathan comes from Westgate Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: He comes from a very humble family.
Education: Currently in Form 2 at St. Peter & Paul Baawa Boys High School in Maralal.
Achievements: During his first year in secondary school, he scored an impressive B+ grade.
Co-curriculum: He is a member of the wildlife and environmental clubs and he also loves playing football.

All the students have been very helpful in Ewaso Lions programmes like Lion Kids Camp and Mama Simba.



Joy Letabare

Joy comes from Westgate Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: She comes from a large extended family.
Education: Joy is currently at Mount Kenya University pursuing a diploma course in Community Development and Social Work.
Achievements: She has completed one internship at Ewaso Lions where she helped teaching at Lion Kids Camp and also with the Mama Simba programme. She has been offered a chance to intern at Isiolo Peace Link when the Covid19 situation eases up as part of her academic requirements before returning to campus to sit her final examination.



Nicholas Lesootia

Nicholas comes from Lorubae in Kalama Conservancy in Samburu County
Family: He comes from a single parent family.
Education: He is currently in Form 4 (final year of secondary school) at Maralal High School.
Achievements: His favorite subjects include English and agriculture.
Co-curriculum: His hobbies include playing football and reading storybooks. In his free time he helps his mother with household work.



Painoti Letabare

Painoti comes from Westgate Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: She comes from a large extended family living next to Samburu National Reserve.
Education: She is currently in her second and final year at Chester Teachers Training College pursuing a certificate course in Primary Teacher Education (P1).
Achievements: Successfully finished her first year of study and passed her exams. Her favorite subjects are English, music and physical education.
Co-curriculum: Her hobbies include reading and story telling.



Samuel Ali

Samuel comes from Il Ngwesi Conservancy in Isiolo County.
Family: He comes from a very humble family and has 5 siblings.
Education: Samuel is currently in Form 2 at Kirige Boys High School in Meru County.
Achievements: Samuel attained a C grade during his last examination, which is an improvement from previous term. His best subjects are agriculture and English
Co-curriculum: He loves playing football and herding his family's goats during school holidays.



Saniki Lelengenju

Saniki comes from Westgate Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: Her father, a very well respected elder, is a key decision maker in the area.
Education: She is currently a 2nd year student at the Coast Institute of Technology in Taita Taveta County pursuing a Certificate Course in Tour Guiding and Administration.
Achievements: In 2019, she sat for the Kenya National Examination Council (KNEC) exam; passed and proceeded to her second year. She has interned at the Elephant Bedroom Camp as part of her practical training and she is the second female guide in Samburu. After Covid 19 lockdown, she hopes to go back to college and continue with her second year, which will culminate with a second internship.



Solomon Lenasalia

Solomon Lenasalia comes from Ol Donyiro Conservancy in Isiolo County.
Family: He comes from a very humble family background.
Education: He is currently a 3rd year student at Kenyatta University pursuing a Bachelor of Environmental Studies with a focus on Resource Conservation.
Achievements: He has worked at Ewaso Lions and helping with Kura's Pride, wildlife monitoring, and conducting transect surveys during school holidays. His performance has been very good over the years. Last semester his GPA improved from 63.63 to 64.95. He is a role model for the other students under the sponsorship programme.



Veronica Lolokuru

Veronica comes from Kalama Conservancy in Samburu County.
Family: She is an orphan with eight siblings who live with their relatives.
Education: She is currently in Form 4 (final year of secondary school) at Kisima Girls.
Achievements: Her performance improved from a D+ to C- through remedial classes and hopes to score a better grade in her final examination.
Co-curriculum: She has participated in Lion Kids Camp as a JLEF student and was very good in helping kids especially with wildlife drama. She plays volleyball in school and loves engaging kids in story telling.



Our model also ensures that there is regular monitoring of each student ensuring that they continuously achieve in their school work and are supported with any challenges that may arise and receive relevant career advice and ongoing mentorship to build up their careers.



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1: Discussing safe wildlife refuges at the Conservation Area with herders during Lion Kids Camp (LKC). 2: Mr. Lolkipaengi, Warden of Samburu National Reserve talks to sponsored students after a wildlife safari in the reserve. 3: JLEF students accompanying herders to the Conservation Area during LKC 4: Group photo after JLEF student's annual awards day at the Ewaso Lions Camp 5: Joy Letabare teaching at the LKC Herders Camp 6: Students receiving textbooks as part of support for their studies 7: Group photo of JLEF students joining LKC.

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