

JAMILO SCHOOL

YSDAK

DEVELOPMENT PLAN 2021 – 2025

IN PARTNERSHIP WITH

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Jamilo School is a premier learning centre situated in the sub-urban Nyamasaria area of Kisumu town. The school was jointly founded by YSDAK and the Foundation TCLB in 2009 with the purpose of increasing access to quality pre-primary and primary education among the economically challenged communities of Kasule sub-location.

VISION

- A centre of excellence in the provision of Early Years and Primary education.

MISSION

- To provide quality and affordable learning experience that enlightens the mind and shapes the character of pupils for a better future.

CORE VALUES

- Discipline
- Quality
- Respect
- Transparency
- Team spirit

MOTTO

Excellence our pride

Background information

The project's initial ten years plan spanning 2010 – 2019 envisioned establishing the initial learning infrastructure, enrolling pupils and recruiting teaching and non-teaching staff. With the support of TLCB, tremendous progress was made in the last strategic period leading to Jamilo becoming a full-fledged primary school with both early childhood development (ECD) and primary levels of education. These were achieved through construction of classrooms, kitchen, latrines and a multipurpose hall. During the period, the school recorded steady growth in enrolment of pupils from an initial average of 10 pupils per class to average 20 pupils per class, with the workforce also increasing to 12 professional teachers, 3 non-teaching staff and an Administrator who runs the show on a day-to-day basis.

Milestones

- 2008 : Jan Dalm & family visit Kisumu (Kenya) during which the plan of establishing a learning centre was mooted and endorsed.
- 2009 : purchase of ground, preparing the ground, fencing and construction of ECDE block.
- : Lilian and Gerald travel to The Netherlands to benchmark on education and development matters.
- 2010 : school opens for admission of pupils in ECDE classes.
- 2010 : temporary registration as primary school by Ministry of Education.
- 2012 : 1st ECDE graduation
- 2014 : Permanent registration as primary school by Ministry of Education.
- 2017 : school kitchen constructed.
- 2018 : Kisumu County champions in Early Years Education (EYE) Creative dance and African singing game.
- 2018 : multipurpose hall constructed.
- 2019 : registered with Kenya Private Schools Association (KPSA).
- 2019 : completed construction of additional one classroom every year; 8 classrooms constructed.
- 2020 : Registered as examination centre, in readiness for Kenya Certificate of Primary Education (KCPE) examination.
- 2020 : 110 children pursuing education at different levels of learning courtesy of child sponsorship.
- 2020 : tables and benches made for the multipurpose hall.
- 2020 : workforce of 14 staff on regular employment.

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This project development plan for Jamilo (2021-2025) is an advancement of the inaugural plan (2009 – 2020) and takes cognizance of the new education system in Kenya namely; Competency Based Curriculum (CBC) and emerging demand for digital learning occasioned by COVID-19 pandemic.

CBC is borne out of the country's desire to produce globally competitive workforce, align the education system to the country's blue print for national development (Vision 2030), and the international best practices in education. CBC is a more proactive and engaging system that emphasizes on what learners are expected to do rather than focusing on what they are expected to know. Broadly, the board's focus in the next five years shall be; improvement of learning facilities, water & sanitation, digital learning, school transport and child sponsorship. To accomplish this mission the management of Jamilo will be reaching out to TCLB foundation and education stakeholders in the country for support and synergy.

1: To improve learning facilities.

The school is currently in its tenth year of existence; as such depreciation seems to be taking toll on some of the buildings. The ECDE block which was the first to be constructed is a major culprit on this. Generally the entire school requires a face-lift; involving repairs, painting and renovations. In addition to this we plan to fill with soil and level the compound to manage the recurrent flooding of the school ground during rainy season.

2: Improve water & Sanitation

Water supply is very critical in school especially at this time of covid-19 pandemic when children will be required to wash hands more often than ever. Water shortage during dry season has always been a challenge to Jamilo School. To solve this problem, the management is considering installation of one additional roof catchment tank. This will not only ensure that children have water supply all the year round but will also contribute to the management of rain water flooding the compound during wet season. The water tank will be secured by concrete wall as means of minimizing damage caused by children as has been witnessed with the existing tank.

3. Digital learning

Covid-19 pandemic continue to stress people all over the world. In Kenya education at all levels is at standstill and it is not clear when schools will resume learning. Attempts have been made to offer online learning in Kenya during this time of the pandemic but due to inadequate coverage of electricity and internet network in several areas, not much success has been realized. The lesson learnt from this experience is that digital learning is no longer a thing of the future but an idea whose time has arrived. It is thus the desire of the board to construct a computer classroom complete with computers to offer effective computer knowledge and skills to the pupils, so that every pupil completing primary education at the school should be competent on computer use.

4: School transport.

The last ten years have witnessed tremendous improvement in the road network in Kisumu city and its environs. Traffic on the roads has increased more than two fold, particularly the number of motorcycle riders. These developments have made it difficult for pedestrians and risky for the children walking to school. In response to this challenge, several schools are now providing transport to save parents the hassle of bringing children to school and back. In this regard, the administration of Jamilo is contemplating to venture in the school transport service through acquisition of a 33-seater bus. Owning a school bus will definitely go a long way in extending the school catchment area and increasing enrolment and school attendance. The project will be managed as an enterprise and surplus income generated will go towards sustaining school operations i.e maintenance of learning facilities and welfare of the staff.

A 33-seater bus in Kenya currently retails at Kshs 5.1million. However, because raising the entire amount at ago may be a challenge, the alternative would be through a bank loan at the rate of 1.38 million per annum for five years.

5. Administration

Jamilo School being one of the projects of YSDAK remains under the patronage of the board of the organization. The board shall continue playing the over-sighting role and ensuring that appropriate systems are in place to steer this strategic plan to its successful implementation. In the spirit of collaboration & networking, the board will work closely with partners, stakeholders and the local

administration in accomplishing its mandate. The board will ensure that on-going projects such as sponsorship and the recurrent administrative functions are effectively sustained for the benefit of the children.

Expected results in five years

- Increase in enrolment from average 20 to 35 pupils per class.
- Sustained school operations with reduced support from the partners
- Produce learners that are digitally enabled for further education
- Improved learning and learning environment
- Contribute to the economy of the local community through employment of teachers and non-teaching staff.
- Jamilo becomes a learning centre of choice in Kisumu East sub county and its environs

BUDGET

	Items	Amount
1	Learning facilities	
	construction of staffroom	390,000.00
	Renovations & painting	285,000.00
	Electricity for multipurpose hall	60,000.00
	Leveling ground & drainage	95,000.00
2	Water supply & Sanitation	
	installation of 10,000 lt water tank	155,000.00
3	Digital learning equipment	
	construction of computer room	420,000.00
	Purchase 11 computers (desk tops) tables & benches.	195,000.00
	Electrical installation computer room	90,000.00
4	School transport	
	<i>Purchase of 33 seater school bus</i>	<i>5,100,000.00</i>
	Total	6,790,000.00

School transport

The foundation 'the children left behind' believes that the high costs for the purchase of a school bus are not related to the costs incurred for educational pedagogical maintenance as well as the maintenance of the school buildings. Furthermore, the foundation has doubts about the long-term use of the bus and the maintenance costs that a school bus entails.