

# SAM Elimu Foundation

Quarterly Report

Q1 2024



## IMPACT

SAM Elimu is supporting 135 children directly.

The LEWA Education program is working with 20 children funded by SAM Elimu.

### SAM Elimu by the Numbers

Level	Students
Primary	9
High School	64
Tertiary	82
<b>Total</b>	<b>135</b>
Alumni	191
LEWA	20
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>366</b>

## The SAM Elimu Family

SAM Elimu is supporting 9 primary school students attending the Jonathan Gloag Academy, 64 secondary school beneficiaries and 82 college students. Of the 20 children supported by SAM Elimu



through Lewa Education Program, 8 were selected to transition to SAM Elimu at the tertiary level. Our team also reviewed many applications received via email and letters and accepted 20 additional tertiary students to the SAM Elimu family.

## High School and College Visits



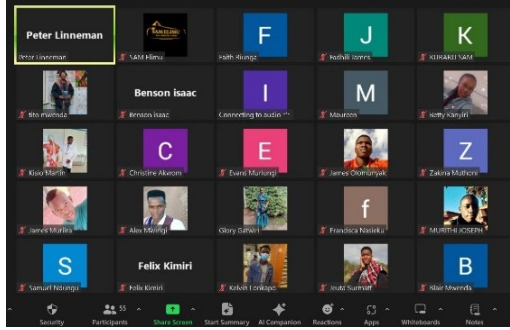
Faith and her team visited various SAM Elimu high school and college students at their schools. These visits assess how the students are acclimating, monitor their academic progress, and understand any challenges they encountered. School visits strengthen our relationship with the students, even among the older beneficiaries. It provides us with valuable insights into their needs and aspirations, allowing us to offer targeted support and guidance.



# Connecting with Our Tertiary Students

## Conversations with Dr. Linneman

Dr. Peter Linneman led two Zoom conversations with our tertiary students. The first discussion was on the life and work of Ayn Rand focusing on her novel *Atlas Shrugged*. He highlighted Rand's economic philosophy and her belief in the power of heroic individuals to drive the economy. The meeting participants shared their reflections highlighting the importance of prioritizing oneself and emphasizing evidence-based reasoning and critical thinking.

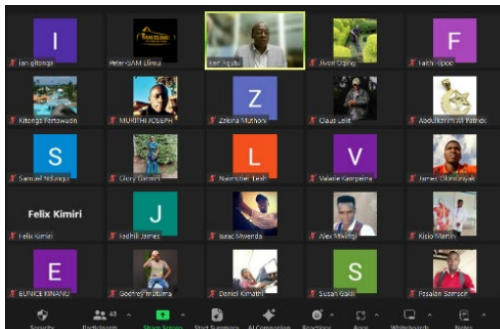


The second Zoom meeting discussed Joseph Stalin's regime in Russia, with a focus on the history of the tsars, the Bolshevik Revolution, and the establishment of a communist dictatorship. Other topics discussed included the concept of equality in the USSR, the Gulag system, the wealth of the kulaks people before Stalin, Stalin's leadership during World War II, and the implementation of communism.

Dr. Peter Linneman also conducted a panel discussion about his transition from economics to real estate, emphasizing the value of learning from industry experts and the use of technology in the sector. He also talked about the importance of work, authenticity, learning from experiences, including his own investments, and dealing with failure.

## Winning Wednesday

In the Winning Wednesday sessions, students underwent intensive CV writing training and learned how to create professional presentations using Canva. Each student drafted their CV and submitted it to the team for review. Goal-setting sessions were also held, where students were taught how to set both



long-term and short-term goals. Additionally, the students were guided through LinkedIn basics, including the importance of having an account, available features, and maximizing its use for professional networking and opportunities.

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# Student Testimonials

## ROBIN KINYUA

The Winning Wednesday meetings, led by a remarkable team, have been instrumental in my personal and professional growth. Here are my takeaways.



1. Goal setting
2. LinkedIn basics
3. CV anatomy
4. Interview techniques and communication

These meetings have transformed me, fostered goal orientation, confidence, and readiness to seize opportunities. I'm grateful to SAM Elimu for their support and commitment to empowering individuals. As we move forward, we carry valuable insights and skills, ready to contribute meaningfully to our communities. Thank you for believing in our potential.

## FRANCISCA NASIEKU

The past quarter has been exceptionally enlightening, thanks to our active participation in meetings and discussions led by the SAM Elimu fraternity. From crafting impactful CVs to mastering interview techniques, each session provided valuable insights for our professional development. We had discussions



about Ayn Rand and Joseph Stalin that broadened our perspectives and provided lessons on individualism, governance, and the importance of democratic values.

Additionally, hearing about Dr. Peter Linneman's career journey inspired us with lessons in resilience and strategic decision-making. These engagements have equipped us with essential skills and perspectives for continued growth, and we extend our gratitude to the SAM Elimu Foundation for this invaluable opportunity. We look forward to applying these learnings in our careers and further contributing to our professional and personal development.

## DANIEL KIMATHI

The online sessions offered me a full exploration of personal and professional development. I relished the many topics covered this quarter.



1. Find your passion
2. Fashion industry resilience
3. Journey to professionalism
4. Mental health tools
5. Objectivism philosophy
6. Holistic self-care
7. Goal setting skills
8. CV and resume development
9. Interview techniques

## TERESIA KAWIRA

The Winning Wednesday meetings have been instrumental in my understanding of goal-setting strategies. Whether they are short-term or long-term, goals



provide a roadmap for direction, fuel motivation, foster personal growth, and sharpen focus. I also learned the art of crafting compelling resumes, including tailoring it to match the requirements of specific job roles. Additionally, interview skills are crucial, and they require preparation, research, and professionalism. During an interview, it's vital to be confident, actively listen, and showcase relevant skills. Asking insightful questions during the interview not only demonstrates interest but also demonstrates engagement and initiative.

By implementing these lessons, I have been able to set more realistic goals and refine my resume to better represent my qualifications and experiences. I am deeply appreciative of the ongoing support and guidance from the SAM Elimu community. Thank you for the invaluable knowledge and encouragement.