

**Exceptional P.7 results and the opening of HSHS!**



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**Excellent PLE Results with 97% Division 1 at AJS.**

*2024 P7 Exam Results:*  


# 100%

*Pass Rate!*

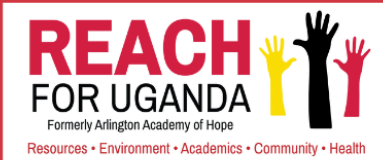


 

**AJS Results**

97% of students passed in Division 1  
3% of students passed in Division 2  
*Best results in the Bududa district!*

**MJS Results** 

60% of students passed in Division 1  
40% of students passed in Division 2



Watch a featured interview with our Founder John Wanda and AJS head teacher Zake on PLE results in Bududa and the opening of Hawthorne-Scribner High School.



**AJS - 97% Division 1  
Bududa District**

**MJS - 60% Division 1 Namisidwa  
District**

**2024 P7 Exam Results  
Arlington Junior School**

<b>Division 1</b>	<b>37</b>
<b>Division 2</b>	<b>1</b>
<b>Division 3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Division 4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Failed</b>	<b>0</b>

**2024 P7 Exam Results  
Matuwa Junior School**

<b>Division 1</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Division 2</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>Division 3</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Division 4</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Failed</b>	<b>0</b>

We're delighted to share the excellent news about the performance of our students in the Primary Leaving Examinations (PLE). 97% of all Arlington Junior School (AJS) students passed in the topmost first division, compared to the national average of 10.7%. AJS emerged in the top 1% of schools in Uganda, placing in the 97<sup>th</sup> position out of more than 12,000 schools that sat for the PLE. AJS headteacher Zake Sekitoleko and AAH founder John Wanda were interviewed by a local TV station about the results, and both expressed lots of joy at the results.

Similarly, Matuwa Junior School (MJS) in Namisindwa saw a great improvement. 60% of MJS students passed in division one and 40% in division two. We are proud of the hard work of our students, our teachers and parents, for the excellent results.

**Excitement in Uganda: The State of  
Hawthorne-Scribner High School**



It is the last week before school starts at the Hawthorne-Scribner High School in Bududa, and the excitement is palpable. While construction is not fully complete, there is enough on the ground to let prospective visitors and students see that a new era is coming to this part of Uganda. Students, parents and community members who visit the school can see the beehive of activity going on. Workers are completing final touches. Beds and mattresses for students are already on site. Classroom desks and chairs have been delivered. And this week, computer equipment, including classroom projectors, white boards, laptops and final cabling, were installed. Other equipment and supplies are being delivered. There is no doubt whatever that despite the state of construction, the school will be ready for opening day on February 3, 2025.

We wish to take this opportunity to thank all donors who have made this first phase of construction possible. Each and every person who has made a contribution to this school is helping the dreams of many young kids come true. Our organizational partners, including the Gupta Family Foundation and the US Agency for International Development (USAID), are very much appreciated. Above all, individual donors in the US who have given their personal support and resources, are greatly appreciated. Their contributions will be acknowledged and recognized on the buildings and special programs we have designed. **While we know that there is a long way to go, we are grateful for how far we have come.**

**Hawthorne-Scribner High School, Bududa**  
**O' and A' Level Boarding School**  
**Teaching UNEB curriculum**

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We are excited to unveil the Hawthorne Scribner High School in Kiholo Town Council, Bududa District. The school will officially open on 3rd February 2025 to S1, S2 and S5 students.

Hawthorne Scribner High School is a premium co-educational boarding school with the state of the art classrooms fitted with modern equipment to deliver engaging lessons to our learners.

We have purposefully built dormitories for boys and girls and a dinning hall to ensure high quality welfare for our students.

Our library and e-resources will give the students a wonderful experience when exploring knowledge and skills with a dedicated team of teachers and leaders available for the activities.

We are open for a visit on weekdays 8:00 am to 5:00 pm and Saturdays 8:00 am to 1:00 pm for inquiries and admissions.

You may also visit the school website: [www.hawthorne-scribner.ac.ug](http://www.hawthorne-scribner.ac.ug) or reach out to us through **email: info@hshs.ac.ug** or call +256 200 946 933 or +256 787 818 047.

**Donate to the Scholarship fund so all our students can attend Hawthorne-Scribner High School**



We have many students who are top performers or extremely needy and can't come to this school without your support. We have created a scholarship fund to help support all our top performers who have qualified to come to HSHS. We want to ask each and every one of you to contribute towards this cause. Please [learn more and donate to the scholarship fund here](#)

### **Meet our New Principal and CEO AAH Uganda, Dennis Owora**

We are delighted to share that Dennis Owora has been appointed the pioneer Principal of Hawthorne Scribner High School, Bududa and CEO, AAH Uganda. Dennis is an educationist with a science background and holds a Master's degree in Public Administration and Resource Governance. He comes to AAH with 17 years of experience in education as well as a teacher and head of school in a number of premium international schools in Uganda. Dennis has vast experience in the Cambridge Curriculum and the International Baccalaureate (IB) that has enabled him to build a package of skills that he will bring to our programs in Uganda.



Dennis believes all learners have potential to achieve when guided and given time to experiment and experience activities in school. Welcome to Hawthorne-Scribner!

# Class of 2025 UNIVERSITY GRADUATES



**Faith Nabulo**

Bachelor of Human  
Resource Management

**Sponsored by Monica  
Beaston**



**Nancy Wandeka**

Bachelor of Arts in  
Education

**Sponsored by Theo Stamos  
and Craig Esherick**



**Betty Namee Dorothy**

Bachelor of Population  
Studies

**Sponsored by Celeste  
Land and Kent Giles**



**Derrick Nanyiri**

Bachelor of Business  
Administration

**Sponsored by James  
and Hillary Berlin**



**Godfrey Natseli**

Bachelor of Medicine  
& Bachelor of Surgery

**Sponsored by Joanne  
and Mario Sarreas**



**Kaana Wabulyu Catherine**

Bachelor of Arts in  
Education

**Sponsored by Jonathan  
and Kelly Stangel**

Many of our donors support a student on our program for over 10 years. Each one of our students would want to say personal thank you messages if we gave them a chance. We have highlighted some of the recent graduates in the videos linked to their names. **Godfrey Natseli** expresses his gratitude and those of many others who have received support towards their education. We are so grateful to the generosity of our donors. Here are a few more voices from: **Faith Nabulo, Kana Wabulyu, Nancy Wandeka & Betty Namee.**

We are proud of all our students who have successfully completed their studies and graduated from university. We know they would never have been able to do it without their sponsors and our partner organizations that support our work. The success of our students is testament to their abilities and potential. **If you are not yet a sponsor, we encourage to become one** and enjoy a lifetime of happiness that these students will give to you. You will change their life as they change yours too. You can also sponsor **a group of students here**

Thank you to our special child sponsors and our partner organizations who have supported us for many years. You made dreams come true!

**Trip Registration Deadline January 31st, 2025.**

For the experience of a lifetime  
**TRAVEL WITH US!**

**Teacher Trip: April 9-April 19, 2025 (now full!)**  
 Led by Dr. Elizabeth Langran & Dr. Nicci Dowd in partnership  
 w/ Marymount University

**Adult and Family Trip: June 28-July 13, 2025**  
 Led by REACH President Dick Burk & Board Director Carole Burk

**Teen Trip: July 10-July 30, 2025**  
 Led by Board Director and teacher Ani Arzoomanian



**CONTACT US FOR MORE INFORMATION!**

**Only a few spots left.**

If you have been thinking about visiting our programs in Uganda, now is the best time to commit. Learn more about each trip [here](#). Connect with us for additional information. Secure your seat by paying **a deposit here**.

[Learn More](#)

### **Thank you for your support in 2024**

Your support last year allowed us to successfully run our education, healthcare and community development programs in Uganda. Construction of the secondary school was a large part of your support. We look forward to greater success in 2025!

### **Your Tax Statement for 2024 mailed:**

We are grateful to all of you who gave in 2024. We have mailed a tax statement to your home address. Reprints can be done from your donor [portal here](#). **Watch this video** to learn more. If you have a challenge signing in, please **email us or call us!**

### **REACH Leadership Team in Uganda**

Our REACH team, President Dick Burk and Founders John and Joyce Wanda plus Director Carole Burk joined AAH staff in Uganda for the opening of the Hawthorne-Scribner High School. School is set to open of Feb 3rd, 2025.

## **Upcoming Events!**

**Date: Feb 3rd- Secondary school opening for students**

**Date: April 13th- 5K Global Strides at - Bluemont Park, Arlington VA**

**Date: Feb 3rd** Our students at AJS and MJS report for their 1st term and in new grades

**Date: May 18th- Pancake Breakfast at - Lyon Park Community Center, Arlington**

**Date: Oct 19- Gala- Please Save the date. More info to follow**

If you can host an event for REACH, please reach out to us at:  
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