

Yiriwaa report 2019

1. The Yiriwaa students 2019

At the beginning of the academic year 2019-2020, Yiriwaa gives support to 84 students. The number of students who has a scholarship for higher education is growing very fast. In 2019 we count 13 students who are going to to Gambia College, School of Nursing, MDI and the University.

We also decide to take only new Yiriwaa Students from grade 7 upwards. Reason is that the most children can go to the basic school because they don't had to pay school fee or textbooks. In case of emergency, for example if the parents cant buy a school uniform or shoes, Yiriwaa can give support to that kind of materials.

Lower Basic School grade 1-6	: 6 students: 2 girls, 4 boys
Upper Basic School grade 7-9	: 31 students: 17 girls, 14 boys
Senior Secondary School grade 10-12	: 33 students: 16 girls, 17 boys
Skillcenter	: 1 student: 1 boy
Higher education	: 13 student: 6 girl, 7 boy

Boys, girls and region of The Gambia

	West	Central	East
Total	29	44	11
Boy	18	19	6
Girl	11	25	5

There is also a Dutch donor who gives sponsorship to some students in The Gambia. They asked Yiriwaa to be the umbrella of these 3 students. They are directly connected to the Gambian Board. These 3 male students come on top of the 84 students.

2. Financial overview

The balance at 31-12-2018 was	€ 4.698,50
Annual gift 12-04-2019	€ 9.989,50
Total	€ 14.692,50
Expenses Yiriwaa students made in 2019	€ 12.449
Expenses students external sponsor	€ 830
Balance at 31-12-2019	€ 1.413,50

Expenses 2019

School- and exam fees, school fund, book bills	6.344
Schoolmaterials, studyclasses, laptops	2.421
Contribution and transport students	1.692
Yiriwaa groupactivities	1.132
Supervising committee	860
Students external sponsor	830
Total	13.279

3. Looking back and forward

The Dutch board decides to build strong collaboration with some chosen schools. The school can give recommendation to students who needs support. Also it is more easy to follow the students in their improvement and the payment of school fees and materials is more easy.

Grade 12 students

Like the last years, the exam results of grade 12 students are improving. This is very encouraging.

Students higher Education

This year we provide all the students of higher education with a laptop. A lot of courses are given with digital study materials. Some students need to have some contribution for housing, feeding, transport and internet costs. These all makes to follow Higher Education costly and the most students don't have family who gan give some contribution.

Contact persons

It is a very good investment to organize every year a workshop for the contact persons. They can learn from each other and the board can discuss with them the issues in the way of working of the foundation. Step by step we see that the contact persons can take more responsibilities.

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