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Linwood Public Charter School

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SABIS® is a global school management organization that operates Pre-K and K-12 schools in 15 countries on four continents. The SABIS® School Network currently serves over 62,000 students who are enrolled in schools that operate in the public and private sectors and provide a high-quality education for all.

Linwood Public Charter School (LPCS) is located in Shreveport, Louisiana, in the U.S. and is a member of the global SABIS® School Network. The middle school, which serves students in grades 6 through 8, opened its doors in 2009 when its management was awarded to SABIS® after being taken over for failing results by the Recovery School District. Today, LPCS provides a quality educational opportunity to the children of Caddo Parish and has a current enrollment of 530 students.

This is the story of a student who has turned the solid academic foundation she received through the SABIS® Educational System into a legacy for her 12 younger siblings.

Haggar Caldwell joined LPCS the year it opened, 2009, as an eighth grader. She was a quite young lady who was reluctant to participate in activities, but she didn't stay that way for long. Thanks to a culture of achievement at the school and a supportive and encouraging staff, Haggar developed a strong sense of self-confidence. She got involved in Student Life and soon held a leading prefect position. She headed up the Entrepreneur Club and became involved in school sports, particularly basketball. On top of her active engagement in Student Life and sports, Haggar also worked hard to maintain a 3.8 grade point average.

With her involvement in Student Life and commitment to academics, Haggar had a full day at school each day and managed it all very effectively. What makes Haggar even more remarkable is that she is one of 13 children in her family, so after a full day of school, she went home and helped look after her younger siblings, juggling huge responsibilities at home with her schoolwork.

Haggar believes that the strong academic foundation she received at LPCS opened the door to a possibility she had never considered before – going to college. *“She now encourages her siblings, who also attend LPCS, to stay focused and she stresses the importance of education to them now,”* said Ms. Twyla Abraham, Student Life Coordinator at LPCS.

Dedication and perseverance have paid off for Haggar. The solid foundation that she acquired while at LPCS, in addition to various extra-curricular activities, has helped Haggar on her road to college. *“We are very proud of the role that LPCS has played in building a foundation for Haggar,”* said Ms. Vickie Carroll, LPCS School Director. As for Haggar, she remains extremely grounded. *“Through SABIS®, I was able to stand out as an individual in my own right and make a future for myself as opposed to becoming lost in such a big family. That is a wonderful feeling.”*

Currently in her junior year at a local high school, Haggar has many options in life to look forward to. There are already several universities scouting her for a basketball scholarship as she gets ready to go into her senior year.