

** ISC-Amman Supports “Climb for Cancer” **



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In February 2014, Mr. Louay Shomaly, an administrator at the International School of Choueifat-Amman (ISC-Amman), began an adventure that would impact his life and touch the lives of many others. Mr. Shomaly and 20 other people set out on a 10-day trekking trip. The goals: make it to the top of Africa's highest point – Mount Kilimanjaro – and raise USD 1 million for the expansion of *The King Hussein Cancer Foundation* in Amman, Jordan.

When the students at ISC-Amman learned about Mr. Shomaly's plan, they rallied the entire school community to raise funds for the cause. Zeina Gammoush, a Grade 11 student, designed and printed over 700 calendars in honor of the event. The school launched the “*Change for a Change*” campaign, a fundraising project in which students purchased a “mini bank” for an initial fee of 7 Jordanian Dinars (approximately 10 USD) and then took their mini banks to collect funds for the cause. The school also organized a number of bake sales and sponsored walks. In total the ISC-Amman community raised over USD 30,000.

Mr. Shomaly, who made it to the top of Kilimanjaro, was humbled by his accomplishment and the enthusiastic support that the ISC-Amman community provided: *“I feel honored to have participated in the ‘Climb for Cancer’ initiative. The King Hussein Cancer Foundation is a beacon of hope for so many children suffering from cancer and is a symbol of inspiration to me personally. By participating in ‘Climb for Cancer,’ I know I have played a direct role in saving the life of a child.” He went on to say: “I share my success with my school. We worked as a team toward this noble cause.”*

At the top of Mount Kilimanjaro, Mr. Shomaly proudly held the SABIS® flag in order to share his achievement with the SABIS® school community and ISC-Amman staff, parents, and students who helped make his dream a reality.



Mr. Louay Shomaly proudly displaying the SABIS® flag at the top of Mt. Kilimanjaro.

To view a video that ISC-Amman prepared in commemoration of this adventure, please visit <http://www.sabis.net/educational-services/downloads.aspx>.

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