Meet Naima

Naima was born in 2007 in the United States to immigrant parents of Somali Bantu origin as well, but her story takes a much different turn. Naima and her family traveled back to Kenya when she was in sixth grade where she finished her middle school years. She came back to the States and started her freshman year in high school before once again traveling back to Kenya a year later. Naima finished high school early in Kenya through a British curriculum, then came back to the U.S. during her senior year where she graduated high school for the second time. Naima now holds two diplomas from two different countries. Not only that, but we are very proud of how she strongly navigated different systems of school, British and American, as well as cultural differences after spending her whole life in America. She has also enrolled into college to further her education.

Whenever she returned to the U.S. she was an integral part of our volunteer team. Along with volunteering, she was an enthusiastic participant in the programs we offered.