

Success Story



Salman Sahir

SABIS[®] is a global education network that operates Pre-K and K-12 schools in 16 countries on four continents. Around the world, in both the private and public sectors, SABIS[®] Network schools offer a high-quality education to over 70,000 students.

The International School of Choueifat – Lahore (ISC-Lahore) in Pakistan is a member of the SABIS® Network. ISC-Lahore offers students a high-quality, well-rounded education, gives them the opportunity to study world languages including Urdu, French, and Mandarin/Chinese, and effectively empowers them for the future.

This is the story of how a young man and used the education he received at ISC-Lahore to excel in life.

Salman Sabir joined ISC-Lahore as a student in KG1 in 1996 and graduated in the Class of 2010. While Salman was an average student who struggled at times, particularly in math-related subjects, his strong sense of determination and focus along with the structure of the SABIS[®] Educational System kept him pushing forward. Ongoing support from ISC-Lahore teachers and administrators also motivated him to achieve his full potential. He remembers his math teacher telling him, "You are very near the finish line; all you have to do is run towards it." And so Salman pressed on.

While at ISC-Lahore, Salman took every opportunity to get involved in shaping student life at the school. He was an active member of SLO® and held positions as Discipline Prefect, Management Prefect, and Shadow Teacher®. He also participated in numerous community service projects, igniting in him a commitment to make a difference.

After Salman graduated from ISC-Lahore, he went on to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering and minor in physics, two subjects that he had found challenging at school, but fields of study that he was determined to master. Early on at the University of Arkansas in the U.S., he discovered that his time at ISC-Lahore had given him an amazing foundation. "In my freshman year at university, I barely had to open a book to study because I had already learned every single concept they were teaching," he said. He realized that "all those homework assignments, SABIS® AMS tests, and Periodic Exams at ISC-Lahore were not there to stress you, but to simply prepare you to excel on your journey ahead."

Salman successfully completed his university degree in the U.S. and returned to his village in Pakistan to fulfill his dream of joining his family's poultry business. Drawing on the knowledge and skills he gained at ISC-Lahore and university, he took over the business' newest project, a state-of-the-art poultry plant aimed at becoming the largest of its kind in Pakistan. Salman also continues his commitment to making a difference and giving back, which he extended to his family. Together they run many charity projects like the hospital they built in their village, which offers free treatment to its patients, as well as actively helping run the school in the village, which Salman tries to model after his own, ISC-Lahore.

From his position now as a successful, compassionate businessman, Salman reflects on his time at ISC-Lahore. He can still hear the words spoken to him by the ISC-Lahore School Director, "You have the ability to excel; you just don't know it yet." Thanks to his time at ISC-Lahore, the SABIS[®] Educational System, and his own perseverance and determination, he knows it now and he's living it!

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