

ARAB EPISCOPAL SCHOOL, IRBID, JORDAN

Before 2003, blind and visually-impaired children in Irbid, Jordan, had no options for education besides traveling an hour each way to Amman. That's when the Rev. Samir Esaïd and Mrs. Sabah Zurikat founded the Arab Episcopal School in Irbid, a city of about 1.7 million people. AES has grown to become a K-10 academic school educating more than 250 sighted and visually-impaired students side-by-side.

Mrs. Sabah Zurikat describes AES's growth. "We're so thankful for the ways the school has grown, and the support we've received both from our community here in Irbid, to communities in many parts of the world. It is only through the dedication of our staff and the support of friends that we're able to continue teaching integration and peace education," Zurikat explained.

In addition to offering a full academic program, the Arab Episcopal School works to develop its students' character by offering a peace curriculum that is built on democracy, respect of human rights, an emphasis on volunteer work and being good stewards of the environment.

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AT A GLANCE **Arab Episcopal School**

- + Mrs. Sabah Zurikat, Headmistress
- + The Rev. Samir Esaïd, School Administrator
- + Founded in 2003 in Irbid, a city of 1.7 million people in northern Jordan
- + The only school in the region offering integrated studies for visually-impaired students
- + School values: respect, truth, love, giving, honesty, peace



We are so thankful for everyone who stands beside us in our work, encouraging and supporting us, through funding, resources, and encouragement.

— Headmistress Sabah Zurikat

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Your gift makes a difference for students in northern Jordan.

- + While sighted students are required to pay the full tuition, blind and visually-impaired students pay only 1/16th of the cost.
- + The Diocese of Jerusalem and generous donors all over the world support these deserving students.



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AES needs support to offer blind and visually-impaired students vocational education after 10th grade to improve their chances for a productive, stable future.



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