

## SSS 2 student stabbed to death during football match in Lagos

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**A** friendly street football match between youths in Okota, Lagos, turned tragic, weekend, after one of the players stabbed an opponent to death during a misunderstanding.

*Vanguard* gathered that some youths from Oseni Liade Street were playing football at the end of the street, when a group of boys from neighbouring Taiwo Street came to join them. But the visiting youths were told to wait for their turn.

At the end of the first round, another set of players, among who were the visiting youths, were expected to take over the football pitch. But eyewitnesses said they were disallowed, an action that degenerated into a fight.

In the process, one of them, Kayode Babayanju, of 8, Taiwo Street, was alleged to have stabbed another youth, Michael Tanko, in the hollow of his left elbow.



### Bleeds to death

Tanko, a Senior Secondary School 2 student of Hills International School, reportedly chased his assailant until he became dizzy and slumped. Unfortunately, he died moments before reaching the hospital he was rushed to.

Doctors at the hospital revealed that he bled to death, as the arteries in the hollow of the elbow were cut.

Information at *Vanguard's* disposal revealed that the deceased was an orphan, who came to live with his uncle in Lagos last year, after the demise of his only sibling.