

Throughout high school, and all years of school, I have received the High Honor Roll at Indian River High School. My grades have always varied with straight A's and a couple of B's while being a fast worker and learner. My classes started as College Prep with a few honors classes during my freshman year, to then all honors. Aside from my classes, extracurricular activities played a big role, as well as Future Farmers of America (FFA), Leo Club, Educational Talent Search, and a Girl's Soccer Manager(2021-2024). During the 2021-2022 season, the coach was amazing with the team and drove us to finals. Sadly, we lost but the girls fought hard and played amazingly. We then received a new coach in 2023 and everything changed. Having a new coach is a big difference when coaching sports teams, but it was still memorable. I received three coaches awards for being a reliable manager taking care of the scorebook, and scoreboard, and being at every game and practice.

The involvement of FFA has taught me more about my career of choice. It has also allowed me to volunteer at Mountaire's Christmas for Thousands in December of 2023 and to sell strawberries, mums, and Krispy Kreme donuts. FFA allows students to not only work with plants and animals but to also develop a bond with the other members and staff. In all four years of high school, animal science was the pathway I chose. Acquiring knowledge for a veterinary technician. Leo Club has given me opportunities to volunteer in local and school events. Being included in these events has given me more experience in my community, and helped me think more critically about how to take roles in different positions. Volunteering is for a good cause and lending a helping hand to others. Not only does it make a mark on the volunteering events, but

also on yourself, like a pat on the back. Since the sixth grade, I have developed teamwork and accountability skills from Educational Talent Search. This program makes applying for college less stressful with the right knowledge and assistance. It has also helped guide me through creating a FAFSA form and an SRAR account. Not many students understand FAFSA but students are provided with all the information they need.

In hopes of becoming a veterinarian, I want to give back to the community and help out in local clinics for vaccinations, check-ups, spade, and neutering surgeries, tracking chips, etc. Veterinary medicine isn't an easy job and takes a lot of schooling, it all becomes worth it in the end. Having a positive attitude and a lot of dedication can prove yourself and others wrong that accomplishing your dreams is almost effortless. Ever since I was a child, I had an interest in animals and wanted to learn more about their behaviors and the anatomy of it all. I have raised over 50 chickens and two goats with responsibilities that include making sure they have a healthy and suitable environment to stay stress-free and adapt to their nature. The animal science pathway and FFA allowed me to finally put myself to the test.

In conclusion, everything that I am provided with and the accomplishments I have made shaped the person I am today. There was never a dull moment in my school career or a struggle with grades. All of the clubs and extracurricular activities allowed me to learn new things and get into the outside world. Trying new things can be difficult and very different, but I got the opportunity to live and learn.

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