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Three Celebrations

Theater is my pride and joy. It's a time to be a little competitive but at the same time to work together and have fun. Theater brings us all together and we all work together to get something amazing. Because of theater, I've made more friends than my whole freshmen year. Those are some of the reasons why I stay up until one every night for a month. Theater is something that I'm very passionate about and fully committed to it. I also like to play music and some of the shows really express the musician in me by singing and dancing. It's also like playing pretend because you have to act like you're someone else and the other people do too.

In humanities a small group of six people, including me, got together because we love music. We came up with a song to summarize, "Siddhartha". This project I'm very proud of because I love to play music and being able to make an actual song and then go to a studio to record, was a tiny dream to come true. It sounded not too bad as well. While we were all singing and playing piano, I felt a little connection with everyone and we were synchronized. The whole thing was a great experience. In the group we all became good friends, and I maybe didn't know their last name, or what they liked to do, but because of playing music together for weeks, I felt like I knew them that a lot of other people didn't.

For my last accomplishment, I see this as my improvement. During math, it's really hard for me to pay attention and actually be in the present. The whole couple months we've been in school, I've struggled with this. Until we started a new subject and something clicked. I think it was me writing down notes or something that was just triggered in me. Over all I really understood what was going on, and it was kinda fun being able to go really fast and write down all these formulas and numbers, then at the end actually being able to write. I was also able to teach it to other people that didn't get and that made me feel good and I felt like I wasn't nothing.

Two Areas of Growth

I think two areas I can grow in, is pay attention better. I find myself having thousands of ideas growing through my head in minutes. I think I have ADHD, but people I've talked to about it just say I need to get more organized and get my stuff together but I've tried.

Another area I feel I can grow in is advocating for myself. I know this whole school sort of surrounds itself by advocacy but I'm still adjusting from DHS to here and I'm not used to all the neat and sometimes weird things, this school does. I'm definitely not hating on it, I really enjoy the big change and the culture here is heart warming and amazing.

Question to Ponder

How am I able to achieve my goals after my high school years?

I ask this question because my parents tell me a lot how much worse life is after school. Or how sometimes I think high school is bad and they say the same thing.

