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## **Career Objective**

- To advance opportunities in which I can marry my passions for journalism, media outreach and technological integration
- To apply my extensive background in writing, editing, organizing for large group efforts, advocacy and media relations, and technical knowledge of many industry-standard programs.

## **Experience**

> Editor-in-Chief (2014-2016) and News Editor (2015-2016), The Ram Page, Hightstown High School. While serving as Editor-in-Chief, the paper won the 2016 Overall Excellence award at the annual Garden State Scholastic Press Association conference.

## Responsibilities:

- > managing the individual sections, editing over content, assisting editors, and writing for the paper
- > managing News section, personnel management and coordinating deadlines
- > Advocacy and Media Relations, Cold Case Records Collection Act of 2017, also known as H.R.1272, a bill which aims to help solve civil rights cold cases by creating a new channel for the release of cold case documents. Additional information at coldcaseact.com. Have gained support of Congressional Black Caucus, Southern Poverty Law Center, and other prominent legislative organizations.

#### Responsibilities:

- > writing articles, interviewing with and contacting various media outlets and members of Congress
- > assisting with website development

#### Objective:

- > to garner support for a bill which entered the House of Representatives in May 2017.
- > Accepted to be the Maxwell Learning Community Resident Advisor for the 2017-2018 school year.

#### Skills

- > HTML/CSS, Javascript, WordPress, Github, Adobe Suite, and other industry standard skills
- > Organizational skills, group effort skills, strong leadership skills
- > Extensive writing and editing on a deadline
- > Fast problem-solving and brainstorming

#### Education

- > Syracuse University, S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications Syracuse, NY
  - > Candidate for Bachelor's degree in Public Relations with minors in Computer Science and Political Science
  - > Class of 2020 | Current GPA: 3.396
- > Hightstown High School Hightstown, NJ | Graduated: June, 2016 | GPA: 4.0893/4.0 (weighted)

# **Affiliations and Community Involvement**

- > Member of the Public Relations Society of America
- > Volunteered at Meadow Lakes, a local retirement community (2013-2015)
- > Hightstown High School Music and drama: a capella groups (2011-2016); Chambers Choir (2013-2016), Advanced Choir (2013-2016). Cast as lead role in Urinetown: The Musical (2016), a lead in the One-Act play The Moustache (2014), and a choral member in Guys & Dolls (2013). Co-wrote and co-directed a One-Act play (2016)
- > Syracuse University Music: Orange Appeal, a capella group (2016-present). Currently working with Orange Appeal to record an album, *Unpeeled*, which is expected to release in Summer 2017.

# **Awards and Recognition**

- > Inducted into National Honor Society
- > Worked on several articles for the Cold Case Act which have been published in Politico, WBEZ and other blogs/news sources.