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EDUCATION:

Robert E. Lee High School, Tyler, Texas

2013-2017

Unweighted GPA: 4.0

ACTIVITIES:

11th-12th Team America Rocketry Challenge(Activity) 11hrs/week, 16 weeks

Team Captain(11th-12th), Researcher, Designer, Builder

- National competition in which a team of students create a model rocket meeting the year's requirements, the basic rules being the rocket cannot exceed 650 grams and can use no larger than a class F motor. The rocket is then flown and a score is calculated based on the rocket's performance to determine whether the rocket makes it to nationals.
- Founder of the first ever Robert E. Lee TARC Team, consisting of 5 people
- Designer of the rocket, Coordinator of funds, Team organizer, and Co-builder

K-12th Piano Lessons(Outside of School) 4hrs/week, 12 months/yr

- Taking piano lessons & participating in yearly competitions since Kindergarten
- Passed annual theory tests K-12 and received a medal every year(90 and above)

7th-12th Mu Alpha Theta(School Club) 4hrs/month, 9 months/yr

Secretary (2015-2016/Elected), President (2016-2017/Elected)

- A Math Honor Society in which math is made fun
- Meetings consist of interactive lectures and fun math related activities
- Helped teacher convene a lecture about how mathematical proofs are used and the different types of proofs that are used

9th-12th Tennis(School Sport) 11hrs/week, 52 weeks/yr

Lessons(8th-present), School(9th-12th)

Junior Varsity Team(10th-12th)

- Played matches and tournaments for school 10th and 11th grade
- Team won J.V. District in 11th grade and our team was runner-up 10th grade
- Helped me become a better team member, take losing well, and make me an overall better person

9th-12th Technology Student Association [TSA] (School Club) 1hr/week, 36 weeks/year

Member(9th-12th)

- A technology/engineering club in which students compete in a variety of competitions on a school level, regional level, state level, and national level
- Raised funds by selling, to dentist's dismay, lollipops, in order to have money for the club competitions

11th-12th National Honor Society(School Organization) 2hrs/month, 9 months/yr

Member(11th-12th)

- An honor society for high school juniors and seniors that have a minimum of a 93.00 GPA
- Raised funds for NHS by selling Chick-Fil-A calendars and Valentine's candy, for funding scholarships for seniors, and contributed to Toys for Tots

9th-12th U.I.L Math and Science(School Club) 2hrs/week, 7 months/yr

Participant(9th-12th)

- Worked on Math and Science questions that make use of the same math concepts learned in class, along with the science containing content of basic AP Biology, Physics, and Chemistry. However, these questions require extremely high level thinking of these basics, combining various topics to the
- Participated in the District level competitions for 3 consecutive years

Academic Rodeo Pentathlons(School Competition)

5hrs per month once a year

Member(9th-12th)

• A multi-test, team-based engineering competition

9th-12th

 Consists of selective math, biology, chemistry, and physics test, along with a physics engineering design portion last

9th, 10th

- 1st place overall team
- 2nd place in the individual mathematics test in 10th grade

VOLUNTEER:

07/13/2015-05/21/2016

07/12/2016- Working in the UT Health Northeast Lab

Hours:100+

- Worked in Galina Florova and Andrey Komissarov's lab in the UT Health Northeast Biomedical Research Center
- Calculated the effects of different treatments on rabbit rinds and examined tissue samples of rabbits
 with fibrin accumulation in their lungs, simulating humans with significantly reduced lung capacity
 due to fibrin

SUMMER ACTIVITIES:

06/08/2015-07/03/2015 UT Health Science Center Internship

Paid

- Shadowed several doctors such as oncologists, radiologists, pediatricians, cardiologists
- Learned several new techniques such as PCR, Western Blot, Gel Electrophoresis, and micro-pipetting technique
- Learned a lot of advanced biology and chemistry, as well as how treatments are created, and current treatments the center is creating.

08/06/2016

INCUBATEDFW Hackathon

• Attended the INCUBATEX Hackathon in DFW. Created an app that monitored a teen driver's speed and location and reports it to the parent via an interactive map. Did graphic design, and learned a lot about programming and conceptual tech ideas, including usage of databases like FireBase.

HONORS & AWARDS:

9th, 10th, 11th TSA Photography State Champion and awards(Competition only goes to State Level)

- 1st place in Color Animal Life (State champion)[9th]
- 3rd place in Color Architecture[9th]
- 3rd place in Color Other Category[9th]
- 1st place in Architecture[10th]
- 1st place in Black and White Underwater (State Champion)[11th]
- 1st place in Color Other Category (State Champion)[11th]
- 2nd place in Color Animal Life[11th]
- 2nd place in Color Underwater[11th]
- 5th place in Black and White Animal Life[11th]

9th, 10th

Academic Rodeo Pentathlon

1st place team

9th, 10th, 11th

Academic Achievement

• Award given by the school to students who have a GPA greater than or equal to 3.75

10th

Counselor Choice for Work Ethic

10th TSA Technology Bowl State

- Team Captain
- National Qualifying Team
- 5th Place at State
- Top test scores of all teams

11th

World Languages Award

 Award given by a teacher to students who display outstanding performance in a World Language (Spanish)

11th

AP Scholar with Distinction

• Granted to students who receive an average score of at least 3.5 on all AP Exams taken, and scores of 3 or higher on five or more of these exams

12th

National Merit Commended Student

Given to students who score above a 209 selection index score on the PSAT, meaning they are in the top 50,000 scoring students in the country