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Profile:

Passionate and highly motivated student who takes pride in all his work and never settles for acceptable. Adept at quickly learning new skills and applying them effectively. Experienced at teaching academics and computer skills to people of all ages. Entrepreneurial mindset leaves no stone unturned when researching opportunities – business or otherwise.

Education:

Current Junior at BASIS Phoenix

Graduation date: May 2018

Exceptional scores in 15 AP courses

Unweighted GPA: 4.00

Top 5% of class

Skills:

Computer programming:

Object-oriented design, Complex algorithms

Java, C++, C#

Video editing

Adobe Premiere Pro, Windows Movie Maker

Teaching

Significant experience tutoring academic topics:

Calculus, Algebra, Physics, Chemistry, Mandarin Chinese, Computer Science, Logic

Community service activities:

Tutored and mentored students of all ages for over 100 hours (2014-present)

Phoenix Public Library Summer volunteer (2016)

Circle the City Tea Ceremony volunteer (2015-16)

National Junior Honor Society Vice President (2014-15)

National Honor Society Social Director (2015-present)

Experiences that define me:

National History Day:

Conducted a thorough literature review and created an analytical 10-minute documentary questioning popular belief about Winston Churchill. Interviewed highly acclaimed university professors. Won regional and state National History Day competitions and competed in nationals in Washington, D.C.

Computer programming:

Began programming in 2011 after deciding to design and make an original video game. Self-taught Java, C#, and C++. Have created various games, implemented algorithms, and tutored classmates in computer science.

Mandarin Chinese:

Began studying Mandarin Chinese in 2010. Won 2nd place in an Arizona speech competition (2016). Won Best Speech at 2017 Confucius Institute South-West regional competition.

Tutoring:

Championed the mentorship program at school, proving to be an academic and social role model for younger students. Taught computer science to classmates on weekends. Volunteered at BASIS Scottsdale Primary teaching mathematics to 3rd graders. Spent summer of 2016 tutoring students in math, physics, English, and Mandarin.

Business:

Learned to fully and effectively use insurance adjusting software Xactimate. Helped family business by estimating insurance claims to the specifications of each insurance company. Recognized market niche for potential seat cushion business and conducted negotiations with a Chinese foam company.

Public Speaking:

Presented on multiple occasions to parents of middle schoolers about high school life at BASIS Phoenix. Took public speaking course (2015-16) and received high marks in various types of speeches including impromptu, historical speech, TED talk, and more.