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# **EDUCATION**

Omaha Central High School. GPA: 4.9048. Class Rank: 1. Percentile: 99.85% [High School]

- o Honors Java 1-2. Grade: 5.0
- o AP Computer Science. Grade: 5.0
- o Honors Pre-Calculus/Trigonometry. Grade: 5.0

#### ACCOLADES

University of Nebraska at Omaha CSEdWeek Programming Contest. 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Winner. [10<sup>th</sup>] National Association of Teachers of Singing (NATS) Nebraska Musical Theater 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner [10<sup>th</sup>] Modern Woodmen of America National Speech Contest 1<sup>st</sup> Place Winner out of 93,000 participants. [8<sup>th</sup>] Modern Woodmen of America Nebraska State Speech Contest 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner. [7<sup>th</sup>] Modern Woodmen of America Nebraska State Speech Contest 1<sup>st</sup> Place winner. [6<sup>th</sup>]

# THEATER AWARDS

ACDA National Honors Choir TTBB Singer

Interlochen Arts Camp, Center for the Arts, Interlochen, Michigan. Musical Theater Program. [2015] Theatre Arts Guild Omaha awards:

Outstanding Youth Actor, Jem Finch, To Kill a Mockingbird. [2016-2017]

Outstanding Youth Actor, Noah, Caroline or Change. [2015-2016]

Nominated for Outstanding Youth Actor, Colin, Secret Garden. [2014-2015]

Outstanding Youth Actor, Ralphie, A Christmas Story. [2014-2015]

Outstanding Performance by an Ensemble, Les Misérables. [2013-2014]

Omaha Community Playhouse awards:

Charles Jones Director's Award. [2016]

Outstanding Youth Award, Jem Finch, To Kill a Mockingbird. [2017]

Omaha Arts and Entertainment Awards

Best Youth Performance, Caroline or Change. [2015-2016]

# **EMPLOYMENT**

Gallup Get HIP IT Intern. [August 2018 – March 2019]

• Worked on the *Starlite* project using a Raspberry Pi, Python, Google Speech to Text API and the facial\_recognition open source library.

University of Nebraska at Omaha Cybersecurity Intern. [June 2018 – August 2018]

- Created and edited Cybersecurity related questions for a student Capture the Flag competition held at the University using Facebook's CTF API.
- o Used JavaScript, HTML, CSS, Node.js, and Python for question creation related to encryption, hacking, and other cybersecurity related fields.
- Assisted Ph.D. in Cybersecurity student with Google Speech to Text API and analysis of results from her thesis project on internet security.

Alliance Française d'Omaha fundraiser performer. [August 2017 and November 2018]

Performed in French alongside singer Anne Marie Kenny for a Cabaret fundraiser.

#### SKILLSETS

Java, Python, JavaScript, C, HTML, CSS, Linux/Unix, Neural Networks, GitHub

# NOTABLE PROJECTS

Starlight. <a href="https://github.com/dannydenenberg/Starlite">https://github.com/dannydenenberg/Starlite</a>. A hackable voice command assistant using a Raspberry Pi for the display.

- o Programmed using Python.
- o Worked on this project during my time at the Get HIP IT Program.
- o Implemented effective speech-to-text techniques using Google Cloud.
- o Trained a machine learning model to recognize user's faces.
- o Created responsive voice commands such as weather, searching Google, searching YouTube, and emailing others as well as responding to insults or an unknown phrase.

Simple Neural Network. <a href="https://github.com/dannydenenberg/simple\_nn\_in\_java">https://github.com/dannydenenberg/simple\_nn\_in\_java</a>. Neural network implemented from scratch in Java.

- o Programmed with Java.
- o Includes matrix library with all basic element-wise operations as well as dot product, transpose, print functions, and more.
- ActivationFunction class allows for specification of what type of activation function one wants to use for an individual layer in the network

Go-Game. <a href="https://github.com/dannydenenberg/go-game">https://github.com/dannydenenberg/go-game</a>. A space-shooters game.

- o Programmed using Golang from scratch.
- $\circ$  Used SDL2 with the Go programming language to render graphics.
- Implemented realistic physics with multiple character classes such as enemy characters, players, and bullets.

BigInt. <a href="https://github.com/dannydenenberg/BigInt">https://github.com/dannydenenberg/BigInt</a>. An easy-to-use big integer library.

- o Programmed with Java.
- o Built on top of the java.math.BigInteger class.
- o Allows for easier initialization, calculations, and changing of the BigInt object itself as opposed to the tedious methods built into the java.math.BigInteger class.

# **PUBLICATIONS**

Derivative of Sigmoid: Complete Understanding.  $\underline{\text{https://medium.com/@dannydenenberg/derivative-of-sigmoid-95ff1031ff1d [2019]}$ 

The Perceptron: What is it? <a href="https://medium.com/@dannydenenberg/what-the-heck-is-a-perceptron-d13a26eda172">https://medium.com/@dannydenenberg/what-the-heck-is-a-perceptron-d13a26eda172</a> [2019]

The Squeeze Theorem and Why I Like It. <a href="https://medium.com/@dannydenenberg/the-squeeze-theorem-and-why-i-like-it-83e59428b167">https://medium.com/@dannydenenberg/the-squeeze-theorem-and-why-i-like-it-83e59428b167</a> [2019]