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#### EDUCATION

# Metea Valley High School

Aurora, IL

2015-2019

GPA: 4.56 W/ 3.93 UW

ACT (December 2017): 36 Composite (34 English, 36 Math, 36 Reading, 36 Science)

SAT (March 2018): 1560 (790 Math, 770 Reading/Writing)

PSAT (September 2017): 1480/1520 (760 Math, 720 Reading/Writing)

SAT Subject Tests: 800 Math, 760 Chemistry

AP Scores (out of 5): AP Human Geography (5) AP European History (5) AP US History (5)

AP Calculus AB (5) AP Chemistry (4) AP Language and Composition (4)

Diploma in Financial Trading and Investment through the Academy of Financial Trading. Certificate earned on February 6, 2018

Introduction to HTML5 by University of Michigan on Coursera. Certificate earned on July 20,2016 SoloLearn Certificate of Excellence in Python on January 30, 2018

#### **WORK EXPERIENCE**

# University of Illinois at Chicago

Chicago IL

Research Assistant in Behavioral Finance

Summer 2018

- ❖ 5 hr/wk, 10 wks/yr
- Read and analyzed thousands of news articles
- \* Extracted data from the articles, working with Excel, to discover trends
- Tracked investor sentiment, especially after 52 week and Record highs
- Discovered patterns between news and trading during highs in the market
- Tracked the relationship between bond issuance and leveraged buyouts

Gandhi Prep Aurora IL

Founder

Early 2018 - Present

❖ 9 hr/wk, 20 wks/yr

- Created a tutoring service, currently focusing on the ACT
- Produced tangible results in students, improving overall ACT scores by an average of 4 points
- Expanded on competencies in customer relations, business management, content creation and more

### Mashtopatoes (Local Startup)

Naperville IL

Communications and Marketing Intern

2017

- ❖ 5 hr/wk, 15 wks/yr
- Made promotional flyers, social media posts, and presentations
- Managed Facebook and Instagram marketing
- Conducted market research and edited content for the company

#### VOLUNTEER AND COMMUNITY EXPERIENCE

## Meaningful Summers (meaningfulsummers.org) - 501(c)(3) certified Non-Profit

Director of Finance 2017 - Present

- ❖ 7 hr/wk, 15 wks/yr
- This organization was created to help foster increased interaction between the future generations and our society through charity work and projects
- Helped organize various charity events to raise money, more than \$7,000 in my tenure, for organizations that help our community
- Recruited and worked with sponsors, created budget, and managed finance team successfully

# Peerlift (peerlift.org) - 501(c)(3) certified Non-Profit

Student Ambassador, Member of Finance Team

2017 - Present

- ❖ 2 hr/wk, 25 wks/yr
- Organization created to help high schoolers find opportunities like internships, scholarships, and more
- Spread Peerlift and its mission to our student body, administration, as well as the surrounding area
- Helped find and apply for grants to raise money for Peerlift

#### **Hindu Satsang School of Greater Chicago**

2015 - 2017

Youth Leader and Coordinator

- ❖ 2 hr/wk, 30 wkr/yr
- ❖ I helped structure and organize the youth events in the 2015 and 2016 Hindu Satsang Program
- Volunteered and taught the Hindi language to students as an assistant teacher
- ❖ Represented the students of the Sunday school to the administration

# EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

**Business Professionals of America (9-12)** – President of the chapter. 10<sup>th</sup> – State and Nationals Qualifier | 11<sup>th</sup> – State and Nationals Qualifier | My events are Fundamental Accounting (2017), Broadcast News Production Team (2017, 2018), Personal Financial Management (2018). (2 hr/wk, 34 wk/yr)

**Principal Advisory Board (10-12)** – Was selected to join this club and aid the principal and administrative board in catalyzing change in our district and school. Discussed major changes such as bus route improvements and changing school start times. (1 hr/wk, 34 wk/yr)

**Tennis (9-12)** – Varsity from 10-12 grade. (12 hr/wk, 12 wk/yr)

**Model UN (10-12)** – Vice-President of our Model UN Team, competed in prestigious national conferences (2 hr/wk, 25 wk/yr)

Science Olympiad (9-12) – Varsity from 11-12 grade (1 hr/wk, 25 wk yr)

**Speech Team (10-11)** – Varsity, part of an extremely competitive and accredited speech team for the school. (5 hr/wk, 15 wk/yr)

#### AWARDS AND HONORS

#### **Business Professionals of America –**

2017 Nationals: Qualification in Broadcast News Production, 2017 State: Fundamental Accounting (8th)

2018 Nationals: Qualification in Broadcast News Production, **2<sup>nd</sup> place in the nation** for Personal Financial Management

**Mayoral Commendation - Meaningful Summers (Summer 2017)** – Commended by Mayor of Aurora for taking initiative in revitalizing the city of Aurora and its youth through our three phase system: Hesed House community charity movement, S.T.E.A.M Night for the underprivileged youth, and Kickball tournament for the non-profits of Aurora

**Mayoral Commendation - Meaningful Summers (Summer 2018)** – Commended by Mayor of Aurora for taking initiative in revitalizing the city of Aurora with our National Night Out to promote mental health awareness in the community. Commended for 3<sup>rd</sup> annual kickball tournament, and donation to charity Simply Destinee

Science Olympiad – Multiple regional and state medals

**Model UN and Speech** – have received various regional awards in these clubs.

National Merit Commended - Given to the top 3-4% of PSAT test takers nationwide

AP Scholar with Distinction – For receiving an average greater than 3.5 with more than 5 AP exams

# SKILLS

- Investment Analysis and Trading
- Financial Competencies
- Microsoft Office
- Python
- Effective time management and decision making
- Terrific communication skills and adaptability
- Public Speaking
- ❖ Strong STEM Background