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#### **EDUCATION**

White Station High School: High School Diploma 2017

University of Texas at Austin (CNS): Biology major, Pre-Pharmacy,

Pre-Health Certification- completed Junior year 2018

#### **LICENSE**

Pharmacy Technician License-State of Tennessee # 64021- Valid until July 31, 2020
Pharmacy Technician License # 286580 Texas State Board of Pharmacy- Valid until August 31, 2020

#### Work

Walgreen's Cordova TN;

- Worked part time as Pharmacy technician assisting with the Summer 2019 dispensing of medications and checking for correct dosage by checking the system.
- Assisting with the drive through prescription pick up and help at the cash register.

#### INTERNSHIP

St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, Department of Oncology

Summer 2019

- Studied tumor burden in mice with ARMS (alveolar rhabdomyosarcoma) by counting the tumors in the lungs using an image analysis software.
- Performed genotyping of mice tails by running PCRs, gel electrophoresis, followed by Imaging the gels to look for presence, wild type and mutant genes present in the rhabdomyosarcoma mouse models.
- Isolation of plasmid DNA using mini preps kit.
- Assisted with aseptic cell culture techniques.

# HONORS AND AWARDS

Tri-M Music Honor Society, National Association for Music Education	2016
Science National Honors Society	2016
Superior Medal: Ensemble Violin Performance, Solo and Ensemble Concert Festival	2016
National Honors Society	2015-2016
Distinguished Honor Roll	2015-2016
Superior Medal: Solo Violin Performance, Solo and Ensemble Concert Festival	2014-2016
2 <sup>nd</sup> place – First Robotics Competition USA, University of Memphis	2014
1st place – Gold medal and Oratorical Award, Optimist Club of Memphis	2014
2 <sup>nd</sup> place – Lego League Club of Memphis, University of Memphis	2013
Principal's Honor Roll	2013

# **COMMUNITY AND VOLUNTEER SERVICE**

# **Pharmacy Volunteer**

Walgreen's, Memphis TN; 2016

- Shadowed the main pharmacist in filling prescriptions.
- Learned to use the pharmaceutical database.

St Jude Children's Research Hospital, Memphis TN; 2017

- Shadowed Senior Clinical Pharmacist during patient rounds and consult.
- Observed compounding of prescription drugs for infant patients.

St. Jude Volunteen Program Volunteer, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital 2016

- Worked in a team to create activities for the juvenile cancer patients.
- Shadowed the clinicians and nurses in departments of Surgery, Respiratory, and Psychology.

Team Leader - lead juniors and seniors to create and implement various crafts and music related activities for St. Jude patients.

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# Volunteer, Shelby County Library, Memphis TN

2015-2016

Shelved books and helped organize the library.

#### Starry Nights Main Greeter, Shelby Farms, Memphis TN

2015

- Welcomed and oriented visitors.
- Translated for Spanish-speaking families.

# Bridge Builder Volunteer, Greenlaw Community Center, Memphis TN

2015

Took part in debates with Memphis Police to come up with solutions to resolve tensions between Police and inner-city youth.

# Volunteer, Heart Song Church

2015

Filed invoices and served lunch to kids.

#### **EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES**

# **Violinist, University Orchestra,** University of Texas at Austin **Chairperson of Marketing**. Robotics Team 5045

2017-2018

2016

- Chaired the marketing section of White Station High School's robotics team.
- Corresponded via essays and interviews with various sponsors to secure funding for materials and competitions at the state and regional levels.
- Submitted grants to NASA, FedEx, FASTENAL, and SIMS. Received \$40,000 in grants so far.

#### Concert Master, Advanced Chamber Orchestra, White Station HS

2016

- Served as the first chair and lead concerts.
- Assisted with violinist practice, tuning, and various class activities.

# Youth Symphony Violinist, Memphis Youth Symphony

2016

- Served as fifth chair violin, learning concertos under the guidance of the conductor.
- Performed at various music conferences.

## Assistant Chairperson of Marketing, Robotics Team 5045

2015-2016

- Served as assistant chairperson of the marketing section of White Station's robotics team.
- Assisted with interviews and wrote essays to various sponsors to secure funding for materials and competitions at the state and regional levels.
- Won grants of \$40,000 from NASA, and FedEx, and parts for making the robot from FASTENAL, and SIMS.

#### Assistant Concertmaster, Advanced Chamber Orchestra, White Station HS

2015-2016

- Served as second chair and assisted the Concertmaster.
- Assisted with violinist practice and other class activities.

#### 1st Violin Chair and 2nd Violin Chair, West Tennessee Band and Orchestra Association 2015-2016

- Earned chair positions through auditions.
- Participated in a two day clinic ending with a concert at the Cannon center, Memphis, TN.

# Advanced Violinist, Bellevue Baptist Church; Memphis, TN

2013-2016

Performed at winter festival concert, "Singing Christmas Tree."

# **RESEARCH AND TRAINING**

Research, St. Jude Children's Research Hospital

2016/2017

- Perform cell culture on immortalized cancer cell lines like K562, Jurkat, and Hela cells by thawing the cells from liquid nitrogen and passaging the cells using aseptic conditions.
- Gel electrophoresis to determine size of plasmid DNA.
- Freeze down drosophila larvae followed by dissecting them to study the difference between flies which had certain genes knocked down.
- DNA isolation from mice tails.
- Shadowed in the Pharmacy departments at St. Jude and Walgreen's, followed Pharmacists'
  protocols for drug delivery and learned to use the database which has information about the
  cross-reactivity between various drugs and food.