

William Zhao

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Education

Vanderbilt University, Nashville TN
Bachelor of Science in Computer Science

May 2021

Spain Park High School, Hoover AL
Valedictorian | 4.42/5.00 GPA

May 2017

Experience

BEST Robotics

Fall 2017

Head of Robot Construction

Hoover, AL

- Led construction team in brainstorming robot designs, constructing the robot, and testing the robot on competition course
- Communicated with programming team on ideal robot functionality to ensure similar vision for the robot
- Presented technical aspects of robot such as game plans for competition and blueprint details to panel of judges

Future Business Leaders of America

Spring 2017

Participant

Hoover, AL

- Developed databases with Microsoft Access and completed written examination on SQL and Access
- Placed 1st in Database Applications for the state of Alabama

Youth Philanthropy Council

August 2014 – May 2017

Treasurer

Birmingham, AL

- Participated in on-site evaluations of non-profits that applied for a grant and reviewed past financial records and statistical data to ensure quality of non-profits
- Evaluated cases for non-profits and determined which non-profits would receive a grant based on quality of work done prior and how closely their objective aligns with the goals of the council

Projects

Christ Church Attendance System

Spring 2017

Developer

Hoover, AL

- Created an Android mobile application for local church daycare to track daily attendance of employees and children to ensure children participation and track accurate payroll data for employees
- Utilized java as the primary language and Google Sheets for the database to store exact dates and times of attendance via check-in and check-out system

Campus Involvement

VandyHacks

October 2017

Volunteer

Nashville, TN

- Contributed to the efforts of running the annual Vanderbilt hackathon by ensuring meals and other accommodations were met
- Participated in various local Major League Hacking (MHL) nights similar to hackathons

Vanderbilt Student Volunteers for Science

August 2017 – Present

Team Member

Nashville, TN

- Educated middle schoolers on various aspects of chemistry such as types of reactions and acid-base chemistry
- Demonstrated basic chemical reactions and allowed them to perform hands-on experiments

Skills and Interests

- **Skills :** Java, HTML5, CSS3, JavaScript, React.JS
- **Environments:** Windows, Mac OS
- **Hackathons:** VandyHacks, HackGT
- **Interests:** Playing basketball, Watching the NBA, Sneakers, Hiking