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EDUCATION

ThunderRidge High School – Highlands Ranch, CO
Graduating Class of 2025; International Baccalaureate Diploma Program
GPA: 3.975/4.0 | SAT: 1270 June 2024

August 2021 - May 2025

Grade 12:

IB Classes:

HL: IB Biology II HL, IB English HL II, IB 20th Century Europe HL II
SL: IB Mathematics A & A SL II,
Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and CAS (Creativity, Activity and Service)

AP Classes:

AP Physics 1: Algebra-Based, AP Computer Science Principles

Other: Psychology

Grade 11: IBDP Courses

HL: IB Biology I HL – B, IB English HL I – A, IB European History HL I – A
SL: IB Environmental Systems/Societies – A, IB Spanish V – A,
Theory of Knowledge (TOK) and CAS (Creativity, Activity and Service)
Other: Calculus - B, Trigonometry – B

Grade 10

Arapahoe Community College – MAR Principles of Marketing – A, English II Honors – A, Honors Algebra II/Trigonometry – B,
Physics – A, Spanish IV – A, World History Honors – A, US Government - A

Grade 9

Chemistry Honors – A, English I Honors – B, Geometry Honors – A, Spanish III – B, US History Honors – A, CTE Catering II – A

ACADEMIC HONORS

- Grade 11 Academic Letter: Maintaining a GPA above 3.75 for 3 consistent semesters
- Participated in an academic showcase to display sophomore project to faculty and students

LEADERSHIP EXPERIENCE

Design to Lead (DTL), Sewa International

Highlands Ranch, CO | 12/2023 - Present

Project Manager

- Managed team project investigating causes and effects of homelessness, overseeing research and encouraging conversations for advocacy and solutions
- Collaborated with team to visit to Cafe 180, facilitating engagement with people who have previously experienced the homelessness as well as the foster care system in order to determine factors contributing to these situations
- Utilized the Stanford Biodesign Process to craft need statements, design inputs and solutions, while guiding group's progress towards meeting our objectives
- Orchestrated weekly 10-hour meetings to foster collaboration

Link Crew, ThunderRidge High School

Highlands Ranch, CO | 08/2023 - Present

Team Lead

- Collaborated with other members to implement orientation activities tailored to the needs of incoming freshmen, including mentorship, academic assistance, social activities, and guided tours
- Maintained relationships with freshmen students throughout their first year and recruited new members to expand program for future students

Youth Congress, Douglas County Colorado

Highlands Ranch, CO | 2021 - 2022

- Worked with peers in two 8-hour sessions to tackle youth-related community issues and participate in problem-solving discussions
- Came up with a viable solution to significant youth-related issues and presented it to a board of professionals after the session.

Tutoring, Ranch View Middle School

Highlands Ranch, CO | 08/2023 - Present

- Visited the neighboring Middle school and tutored students twice weekly for 1 hour each to foster consistent academic progress

- Volunteered and provided guidance and instruction to students, assisting them with test preparation methods, completing unfinished assignments, and organizing their study materials

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT

Teen Court, City of Lone Tree

Lone Tree, CO | 01/2023 - Present

- *Youth Volunteer*
 - Completed 10 hours of General Legal Training and participated in over 15 Peer Panels, offering empathy to teenagers in legal trouble
 - Partnered with other youth volunteers to enhance Peer Panel interventions, improving support and resources available for recovery
 - Participated in peer-panels to listen to the students who got in trouble with the law due to shoplifting or engaging in petty thefts and worked with them to roll out appropriate sentences based on restorative justice principles that are impactful and restorative.
- *Student Leadership Board*
 - Served on the Student Leadership Board, promoting youth empowerment to improve their community involvement.
 - Presented at Lone Tree's City Council Meeting to provide the board with information about our program and accomplishments
 - Reorganized the structure of Teen Court in order to make improvements to the program and accept a wider range of cases

CAS Project

09/2024 - 04/2025

- *Project*
 - Hosted an event at the Denver Museum of Nature & Science or Denver Zoo for foster care youth
 - Collaborated with foster care organizations such as Sibling Connections and Denver CASA to have an impact on the lives of youth
 - Worked with foster care kids to possibly increase their interest in science and provide a comforting experience

ONLINE COURSES

- Understanding the Brain: Neurobiology of Everyday Life (University of Chicago) - 27 hour course 2024
- Space Medicine (Duke University) - 10 hour course 2024
- Introduction to Genetics and Evolution (Duke University) - 25 hour course 2024

EXTRACURRICULAR ACTIVITIES

IB CAS TRIP, Copenhagen, Denmark

- Learned about sustainability in the day to day lives of the people of Denmark, which includes creating local food systems, using methods of transportation that do not negatively impact the environment, and learning about cogeneration in recycling.
- Undertook a Sustainable Design project in which a group of people interviewed members of the community in order to come up with a significant problem and, using UN's Sustainable Development goals and framework, came up with a viable solution.
- Visited state-of-art recycling and waste management plant to understand modern developments and design initiatives

DECA, Distributive Education Clubs of America

Highlands Ranch, CO | 08/2021 - 05/2023

- Competed in role plays for hospitality & tourism, leveraging public speaking skills to deliver persuasive pitches to judges.
- Achieved success by placing at District level and qualifying for State competitions, showcasing strong performance and strategy

Girls Tennis, ThunderRidge High School

Highlands Ranch, CO | 08/2021 - 05/2023

Junior Varsity

- Committed to 2 hour daily practices and 2 games per week during the season
- Played for over 4 years with dedication for strategy

Girls Basketball, ThunderRidge High School

Highlands Ranch, CO | 08/2021 - 05/2023

- Committed to 2 hour daily practices and 2 games per week during the season
- Played for over 7 years in both club and school organizations

SKILLS & INTERESTS

Organizations: Model UN, DECA, Grizzly Connect, HOSA, Tutoring

Technical Skills: Project Management, Public Speaking, Leadership Development