

Honors Application Essay

A little girl in the third grade was in a classroom when she got her most recent paper back that she wrote on Rosa Parks. Then, she made a decision that changed the entire course of her life. She chose to write. Now that little girl is fifteen and currently writing this essay. It has been six years since I have decided I wanted to be an author. Six years allows plenty of time to change how someone thinks of the world. Since then, I have been called to ministry, been more involved in my church than I had ever previously imagined, decided to go to a nontraditional high school, discovered a love of theater and public speaking, and started taking dual credit courses. Yet my love of creating words has never wavered once. That part of me has never changed and probably never will change.

My life has been extraordinary in my opinion. I have traveled all over the United States and to Canada. My family is supportive and loving, my friends are amazingly loyal, I have heard, read, watched, and experienced stories galore, and have felt right at home at church and school. While I have done all of this, my eyes never looked away from the goal of becoming an author which I have been working for since elementary school. I wrote and read stories so much I won awards. At first they were just school awards but in seventh grade I started entering a national fine arts competition, called Fine Arts. My first year, competing against kids from sixth to twelfth grade, my poem was deemed worthy of going from regionals to nationals. Then, when I entered again the next year, the same thing happened, but I also entered a flash fiction category, which is similar to a short story, and not only made it to nationals but won third place in regionals. This has added gasoline to my bonfire-like passion for writing.

My plans for the future include being a well-known author, fulfilling my purpose in ministries, and using words to change the world. I wish to attend a four year college after successfully graduating from North Central Texas College. I plan to major in English, creative writing, communications, and biblical studies. This is understandably a challenge that many might scoff at, but I believe in preparing yourself for the unknown and doing what you love. These majors, I truly believe, can accomplish this for me.

In five years I will still be considerably young as I would I have recently just turned twenty. I can easily picture me in a four year college, working hard to earn my majors, and of course reading and writing. Seeing myself traveling around and volunteering would not be a stretch. My dream place of living would be Florida, but my dream job comes first and, therefore my future address may have to be changed.

The North Central Texas College Honors Program can immensely help my confidence, my goals, and my preparation for a four year college. My confidence in my ability to be the best student I can be will be renewed. Also as I am taking speech next semester an honor speech class will help me distinguish myself from other who might also want to have a major in communications. This will also apply for any other honor classes I end up taking. Writing long essays will also improve my writing skills along the lines of writing research. I firmly believe I should be diverse in my writing ability. Writing research and creative stories may be different but there is no reason I should not be able to excel in both. The main advantage this program would offer me is preparation for a four year college. As assure as I am in my goals for a career and

major, I do not currently have an ideal four year college I wish to go to. Earning honor classes through dual credit as a freshman will give me more adaptability to the college I eventually decide to apply for. It may be extremely competitive or it may not, but either way I wish to be prepared.

Age does not determine the size of ambitions and goals. It does not set a level for determination and perseverance. Some may look at me and say I am too young, then walk away without a second glance. Never bothering to discover I am full of wisdom, empathy, and a way to turn the world in a direction it never saw coming. This program will give me a way I can accelerate myself so the years of education will be shorter and the years of learning, doing, and changing will be longer.