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Strive for improvement not perfection. The Sky is the limit. The Stage is yours, what do you want to share with the audience

High School- Diploma after completing Elementary, Jr. High, and HS. Congrats you are on your way to success!!!!!

College- Associate Degree (AA, AS)

University- Bachelor, Master's Degree (BA in Psychology, Master of Education)

Post Graduate- Doctorate of Education (Ed.D)

Education/Upbringing

- We are a family of ten
- Grew up in watts. Tough neighborhood (gangs, poverty, drugs, and violence)= + or -
- Continued to further educate myself. Currently in Ed.D program

Inspired by:

- Coming from a low-economical social status, the focus to achieve the highest educational rank. Grandma, parents, society
- Fascinated by name tags- credentials called my attention. The higher the degree the more inspiring it became
- Analyzing music's lyrics inspired me to succeed not give into pressure. Analytical thinker= + or -
- Observing various car models inspired what I wanted to drive. we had two station wagons and I desired BMW
- Find your motivation

Mentors/Motivators

- College instructors, counselors, family, friends, desire to pay it forward- You
- My son and daughter's well being- Sofia
- Setting goals on a dream board- You
- Seeing the light at the end of the tunnel- All
- How to you eat an elephant reminder- Per counselor, colleague

Learning Aids

- Splash of color- colored pens
- Desire it with your heart, mind and soul FOCUS!!!
- Post-it notes, on mirrors, books, bedroom, kitchen, purse, wallet containing positive daily motivators
- Agenda, calendar- write it down, daily reminders
- Convert a challenge into a motivation. It's a journey not a destination, go after it, NEVER QUIT!!! Learn something new on a daily basis

Resources

- Community services, libraries, counselors, agencies, county and state assistance, grants, FA, Loans
- Family, friend's support. Even if its one or two. Quality vs. Quantity
- Continue to be your #1 supporter. Focus and strive on one task at a time
- Prioritize, It's okay to say "Not Now" to family, friends and events. Manage your time vs. allowing time to manage you

Career

- I have enjoyed every minute of my 15 years in the educational arena. Witnessing students graduate is a priceless reward as this becomes a stepping stone to the future equaling a successful society
- Taught in an ESL Learning Center- Levels 1-7 and directed faculty, ensured they were assigned and trained accordingly
- Directed Student Services Dept. Ensured students fulfilled requirements to start community college, undergrad and grad degree. Coordinated the day-to day operations of admissions/financial aid, registrar. Ensured students completed graduation requirements, licensure, accrediting boards and helped students transition to work
- Volunteer ed at boys and girls club, library, red cross. Current board member of a non-profit organization their focus is on fundraising to help students accomplish their goals
- Assistant Director to HS's War Club, attend yearly board gaming events (Consimworld) history focused. Public speaker for HS students. My goal is to inspire you to focus on your dreams whether big or small. Focus daily and don't let go. How do you eat an elephant???

Create a support team (A)

- Five types of people to surround yourself with: The inspired, the motivated, the open-minded, the passionate, the grateful
- Get up after a fall and whether you, run, walk, crawl. Set goals and chase goals not people
- Life is about finding people who are with you not against you. Build supportive forces not destructive forces

Create a support team (B)

- Never settle for anything less than what you desire. You have the potential to be whatever you set your mind to do (Big or small)
- Visualize your future as this motivates your inner desires to go after things you want and this will lead to realizing what it takes to get there
- Create the interest to prove your self-worth. Stand by your goals not by other people's interest
- What is your worth? Get up, arm yourself with confidence and go after your dreams

Take A Ways

- Don't look back, yesterday is the past
- Focus on today and now
- Life is a journey, choose wisely
- Choose to shine even on cloudy days
- I can. I will. End of story
- Start from nothing, end with something
- To society we are just another person, what will you prove to society?
- Success does not happen over night, success is a goal accomplished due to hard times handled by daily persistence
- Life can be compared to graduation requirements: Will you just pass history class or will you become part of history
- Focus on today in order to have a better tomorrow