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Education

Saratoga High School

Saratoga, CA | 08/22 - 06/26

- Senior
- Acad GPA: 4.41 W / 3.91 UW

Stanford Online High School

Saratoga, CA | 08/22 - 05/26

- **Courses Taken:** Honors Physics, History & Philosophy of Science, Microeconomics, Advanced Microeconomics, Multivariable Calculus

Leadership Experience

Peach Foundation Teacher & Volunteer

Mae Sot, Thailand | Yunnan, China | July 2023-Present

- Taught conversational and academic English to high school students in underserved communities across China and Thailand
- Adapted lesson plans to accommodate varying levels of English proficiency, using visual aids and interactive activities to engage students
- Managed daily student schedules including organizing transitions to meals, classes, and cultural activities

Music Education for Saratoga High School

Saratoga, CA | 2019-Present

- Provided weekly flute instruction and mentorship to younger students for over five years
- Performed in a student-led concert in May, showcasing growth and skills developed through yearlong mentorship

Girls Empowerment Club

Saratoga, CA | 2022-Present

- Co-founder and President/Vice President of the Girls Empowerment Club; planning and hosting weekly meetings focused on women's rights, history, and leadership
- Organized community service projects, including assembling and delivering caregiving kits for local women's shelters, supporting women in crisis with essential supplies and encouragement

Aspiring to Create English Club

Saratoga, CA | 2022-Present

- Member of ACE Club, teaching English to students in countries such as Thailand, Japan, China, and parts of Africa through virtual lessons
- Develop engaging lesson plans and lead live video sessions to support language learning and cross-cultural exchange

Key Club

Saratoga, CA | 2024 -Present

- Co-founder and Co-President of Key Club, a nonprofit service organization and one of the longest-running high school student-led volunteer programs in the world
- Attend division meetings and district events with other Key Club chapters to collaborate on service initiatives and leadership development.

Art4Heart Club

Saratoga, CA | 2025 -Present

- Secretary and Head Social Media Manager of Art4Heart, one of Saratoga High School's fastest-growing clubs dedicated to creative community service.

Equal Rights and Dignity Resource Center (EDRC)

Saratoga, CA | 2020-2022

- Youngest member in the student-led team for EDRC for 2 years as a co-coordinator leading initiatives focused on equity, diversity, and community engagement
- Awarded \$300 for a winning essay, recognized by the EDRC for excellence in writing and advocacy on social justice issues.

Extracurriculars & Honors

VEX Robotics

Saratoga, CA | 2018-2023

- Served as drive team spotter for Team 95071X at the 2023 VEX Robotics World Championship – VEX VRC High School Division, contributing to in-match strategy and communication on a global stage
- Achieved 3rd place out of 80 teams at the Regional VEX Robotics Competition, demonstrating strong teamwork, engineering design, and competitive performance.

Winter Percussion

Saratoga, CA | August 2022-2024

- Performed with Saratoga High School Winter Percussion for 2 years, including 1 year at the World Class level in the Winter Guard International (WGI) circuit
- Competed at the WGI World Championships in Dayton, Ohio, earning Top 10 Finalist placement among elite high school percussion ensembles nationwide

SHS Marching Band

Saratoga, CA | August 2022-Present

- Flute Section Leader since junior year in Saratoga High School's 200+ member marching band
- Provide musical and logistical leadership during practices, performances, and competitions
- Designed the winning band T-shirt, chosen by a majority vote from the full marching band

Symphonic Wind Ensemble & Saratoga Strings Orchestra

Saratoga, CA | 2023-Present

- First chair flautist in both wind and orchestra ensemble
- Selected into the top band at SHS since sophomore year; perform advanced repertoire in concerts and festivals

Akamichi Art Portfolio Prep

Saratoga, CA | 2023-Present

- Developed technical and creative art skills, worked toward building a college portfolio

CMEA State Solo and Ensemble Festival

Saratoga, CA | 2024

- Earned a Command Performance, receiving top honors and performing in the Paul Shaghoian Concert Hall as a solo flautist

Santa Clara County Band Directors Association

Saratoga, CA | 2024

- Selected for the SCCBDA as a junior, representing top musicians in the county through a competitive audition process.

Scholastic Art and Writing

Saratoga, CA | 2022-2023

- Received 2 Silver Key Awards and 1 Bronze Key Award from the Scholastic Art & Writing Awards for original written works

School Homecoming Spirit Days

Saratoga, CA | 2022-2026

- Participate annually in Homecoming spirit day dances, including group, all-group, and K-pop performances
- Serve as skit head, writing original scripts and developing storylines for full-class performances
- Act in a leading role in each year's skit, contributing to both performance and creative direction

Homecoming Queen

Saratoga, CA | 2024

- Elected Junior Year Homecoming Queen by student body vote, representing class spirit and leadership

Skills

- HSI Adult First Aid and CPR Certification
 - Technical: Google Suite, Canva, basic video editing
 - Language: Fluent in Chinese (Mandarin), Proficient in Spanish
 - Interests: Drawing, dance, painting, classical and contemporary flute
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