



Meet Joaquin

Joaquin is interested in studying media production. He enjoys creating and sharing videos online, being on top of news, and believes he may want to work in the broadcast field.

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Example: School of Arts & Communication

As a child, Joaquin was the most social of his family and always knew what was going on in the world. As he grew older, he found a following in creating videos for social media that addressed current issues. Being on the front side of the news sparked a desire within Joaquin to study media production and broadcasting.

Throughout elementary school, Joaquin leads his class in art and writing. Through participating on the school's daily video news, he begins to learn about technology. He is active on student council and passionate about growing opportunities for students in his school.

In middle school, Joaquin begins to study potential career fields around his interests, including journalism, media studies, government, and film/video production. Through his studies, he learns about the traits needed to succeed in these fields, as well as the schooling needed, opportunities for advancement, and possible incomes. He continues participating in students news and student council, and has a popular online video channel discussing issues facing teenagers.

After examining career options, Joaquin determines that he wants to study media production to fulfill his goal of becoming broadcaster.

When Joaquin reaches the 10-12 grade campus, he decides to pursue his studies within the **School of Arts & Communication**.

Here, Joaquin will experience curriculum that is taught to the required standards, but in a way that is meaningful to his passion and goals. What this may mean is that he will learn English Language Arts through scriptwriting and storytelling, for example. His coursework will have a strong emphasis on audio/video production. His electives may include photography, graphic design, and business, where he will learn tools to help in his future career. Since he is learning the required standards at each grade level, if he decides to change between grade levels, he can transition to a different school of study. He'll have the safety of exploring while still in high school.

In addition to his traditional principal, counselor, and teachers, Joaquin will be supported by a business dean and a business advisory group who will ensure he is receiving an education that puts him ahead in his industry. This team will help Joaquin receive hands-on experience through job shadowing, internships, and work-study.

With a popular online channel, a solid demo reel, and a work-study with a local news station under his belt, Joaquin feels confident applying to colleges to study broadcasting, where he will continue to study the field of news production.