



Meet Roxane

Roxane is interested in studying writing. She enjoys the art of storytelling and believes she would like to pursue a career in the writing field.

Elkhart Community Schools • Six Schools of Study
Example: School of Arts & Communication

As the youngest child in her family, Roxane grew up surrounded by the events and stories of her siblings. A voracious reader from an early age, she got lost in the stories of characters on wild adventures. Inspired by her siblings and the stories she read, Roxane began writing stories. Encouraged by her family and teachers, Roxane continued writing.

Throughout elementary school, Roxane excels at writing and art. She has a gift of empathy toward her classmates and finds excitement in getting to know them and their histories. She volunteers to help with the student section of the school newsletter and to work at book fairs.

In middle school, Roxane begins to study potential career fields around her interests, including journalism, creative writing, history, linguistics, public relations, and editing. Through her studies, she learns about the traits needed to succeed in these fields, as well as the schooling needed, opportunities for advancement, and possible incomes. She continues participating in the school newsletter and becomes a middle school volunteer for the Elkhart Culture Series.

After examining career options, Roxane determines that she wants to study writing and seeks to fulfill her goal of becoming a journalist.

When Roxane reaches the 10-12 grade campus, she decides to pursue her studies within the **School of Arts & Communication**.

Here, Roxane will experience curriculum that is taught to the required standards, but in a way that is meaningful to her passion and goals. What this may mean is that she will learn Science standards through reading scientific journals and mirroring experiments, for example. Her electives may include photography, foreign languages, and business, where she will learn tools to help in her future career. She may choose to participate in yearbook and student publications to continue growing her interview skills. Since she is learning the required standards at each grade level, if she decides to change between grade levels, she can transition to a different school of study. She'll have the safety of exploring while still in high school.

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

Throughout high school, Roxane's popular "People of Elkhart" docu-series grabs the attention of national media for its portrayal of the dichotomy of urban life in a rural farming county of Indiana. She enrolls in Cornell University's Creative Writing program and lands a prestigious student internship at Teen Vogue.