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My life journey.

All my life I strived to become an airplane engineer. When I got to high school, I took my first biology class and really enjoyed learning about organisms. Taking this biology class open my eyes and slowly steered me away from engineering. In these biology classes I've learned so much about what goes on in a human body. There are so many details when it comes to organisms like how it can reproduce and grow and stay stable.

I always loved bones, the way they can grow back together. The way they can be replaced with a pace of metal or how it can get shift it back into places I've always studied about bones since I was a kid, I was raised around people that wanted to become engineers but couldn't go to college. so, they wanted me to go to college and fulfill their dream in become and engineer. I've always liked engines, they were like puzzles to me, so I considered it and thought about airplane engineering. But it was never what I wanted to do. when I took biology, I found out that there were many different things that interest me. Mid way into my senior year I found out that I had collapsed lung. And I was in the hospital for a month when I got there, they put me into the x-ray room, and I was asking my doctors and nurses how you got where you were at and what made you love working in a hospital. They all told me the same thing which was they had a passion for one thing, and they found a job for it and that's what made me realize is that I can have a job that I enjoy. So, I started to re research while I was in the hospital, and I asked my lung doctor if I'm so interested in bones. What field could I go into, and she told me look into becoming radiology tech.

I started to look into the schooling and what I would need to become a radiology tech, I seen that I had some classes finished in high school but there was a lot more I need to complete when I got out of the hospital my older cousin came to see me one of them is a nurse and the other one is a surgeon assistant, I asked them what do you think about a radiology tech for advice. They told me that they only heard good thing about radiology and that it would be fun for me. I told my biology teacher about me wanting to become a radiology tech and he was telling me go for it it's a good career he told me about the different colleges and programs that colleges offered for me. He told me to get hard to stay focused. I told my other side of the family that loved engineering that I was changing my route and going into the medical field. They weren't happy about my decision overtime. They understood that it's my career and not theirs, so they pushed me and helped me. Get into a college that had the program that I needed.

I told my mom last about me not becoming an airplane engineer and wanting to become a radiology tech and she was so confused asking me questions why what I want to change my path and I finally found something that fits me. She understood and was happy for me when I went back to school, I was behind in a lot of my classes, because I had missed a month of school and I had to make up a lot of work to pass to go to college. It was hard and a big challenge for me, but I had a lot of help from my teacher and my friends I got up to where I needed to be in my classes.

I finally got to speak to my college advisor to my colleges and I told them about my career change, and he told me I didn't have to go away for college I could stay in the city there were a lot of good programs for radiology tech. He went with me to view some colleges and I wanted a campus field in the city. That's why I chose city Tech.

One of my biggest challenges was passing my science classes cause science was fun for me, but it was also hard for me. I struggled a lot in science and especially biology. It was really hard, but I had to keep a positive mindset and stay strong to pass all my classes we made it easier for me was when I realize that studying is boring but although it takes time and it's worth it, I wasn't a good test taker but when I studied, I realize that I could do well studying as well help me pass on my classes. There's a lot of things in radiology. I didn't know if I wanted to do CAT scan or if I wanted to take actual x-rays because the brain is pretty complicated and itself although you can do CAT scans for a lot of different parts of your body but I felt like the brain was more interesting to me so I got stuck in between them both but I found out that I like bones more than I like brains and it's easier to understand for me I feel the brain is super complicated for me. Taking x-rays is not all that easy you have to make sure the bodies aligned properly with the machine. It gets complicated as well but for me bones are more interesting than brains, so I decided to go with the x-rays I'm always up for the new challenges in life, and I know to never give up on myself to finish this off. Life is a challenge in itself, you have to keep your head high and understand that not everything is going to go your way you got to work hard and believing yourself.