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## **The Literacy Narrative Assignment Guidelines**

Throughout all of the things that I have been through, accomplished, and obstacles that I have faced in my life, I would say growing up as a kid playing sports throughout elementary school and middle school and being involved with sports throughout my whole childhood made me who I am today in the classroom and have it change my literacy life in total. I say this because it was something that I would always look forward to and schoolwork was something that I wasn't looking forward to and sports was something that I loved doing and was good at. It would even help me get through school as a kid and would keep me away from all the trouble that was around me and potentially be involved in and having the correct mindset that my parents would always say that I need to have. To be a leader and not a follower and do what's best for you and benefits you and for me that was reading more books that I wasn't used to reading and expanding my vocabulary.

Being a follower is something that a lot of people do because they think it's okay for them to do because they see someone else doing it so they follow along because of the outcome. Being a leader is something that most people don't do but fail to realize it is something that

needs to be done. When it comes to playing sports and wanting to only do sports my parents always told me that you need good grades to go far in sports.. When I was in elementary school I would say that I wasn't focused on school as much as I am focused on school now because I thought it wasn't something as serious as it is. But one thing that my parents always told me was when I grow up and I want to play sports for middle school, high school, and college that you have to have good grades in order to play for the teams and that the school that you're going to go to checks for things like that and sitting out is something that I've never wanted to do because playing in game is something that a person like me always looks forward too. But the thing that I feel like made me really focus on school more was seeing some of my friends not being able to play because of their grades and being placed in special classes for the classes that they are struggling with and that's what I didn't want to happen to me and it basically did because I wasn't a good reader and it was something that I struggled with. But also sports is what also kept me motivated for school because that was one of the main reasons why I went to school because in high school and middle school you can't play in any games or practices if you don't show up to school and do your work and perform in the classroom and there was one time where I was placed in reading classes and they would sit there and help me comprehend what was in the text. Also one thing that my mom has always said was you can't get into a good school if you don't have good grades. They don't take people who don't do their work and don't read. But the books that I've always picked and my favorite to read was Diary of a Wimpy Kid. That was just something that was always stuck in the back of my head and Diary of a Wimpy Kid was always a book that relates to me the most I feel like. During those times that book series is one of my favorites and I know I always enjoyed it because every year during the book fairs it was

something that I would have to get because I knew it would get the best out of me and it was something that I always related to and enjoyed reading.

To conclude everything off I can successfully say growing up as a kid playing sports throughout elementary school, middle school, and high school and being involved with sports throughout my whole childhood made me be able to be in the best reading life that I have ever been and enjoy it the most when I can relate to it.