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The Memoir Essay

Playing sports was probably one of if not the best thing that happened to me in life and it has gotten me to where I am today. With sports I have had some of the best memories in my life and some of the worst memories of my life in the best way you can imagine. Sports is something that I have played all of my life and I feel like it made me who I am today. Without sports I have a strong gut feeling I wouldn't be who I am today. Basketball is my favorite sport now and that is the sport I play but growing up as a child football was something that was always there for me and something that I was good at. With football and basketball I have met and made some of the closest friends that I have today and I feel like we all get along with each other well because we all have something in common and relate in a lot of ways.

Growing up I was always better at football than basketball but as I got older my love for football suddenly started to get smaller and smaller. When I played for my team I had to play up because my team didn't have enough players in my age group so I had to play up an age group and everyone else that was on the team with me. I didn't like it as much because it was something that I wasn't used to and it made me not want to play any more. Why? It came with a

lot of things like playing out of position and just playing with more people in general. That's when I started to play basketball more and drift more towards that because it was just something that I enjoyed doing. It also runs in my family almost everyone plays or either played basketball and it was something that is just a culture for us and most of my family is tall. Not everyone from my town, Poughkeepsie New York is able to have the opportunities that I've had with basketball. Signing to play for formerly known as nyack college basketball around this time last year is who made me who I am today. With all of the hard work and time that was put into this sport I got one of the best things out of it, and that would be education and doing what I believe I do best.

To conclude everything off without sports I wouldn't be where I am today and it has made me closer to other people. Being a part of something like basketball takes my mind off of the bad things going on in life and creates peace.