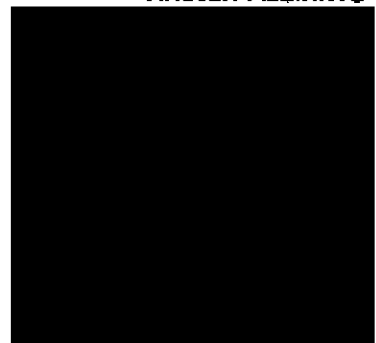


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## My Educational Goals

For the longest time, I had no idea what I wanted to go to school for. Ever since I got to high school I thought about it, and just this year (my last year) I finally figured it out. I want to go to school to be a chef/pastry chef. I'm still undecided on which one I want to fully be, so I made the decision to go to school for both. I have schools and all the programs I want to take picked out. I've also made an appointment with my guidance councilor to apply for schools and get all the info I need to. I have a whole lot of things to do so I can go to college, but I plan on concurring all obstacles to get the education I need.

My educational goals are to graduate high school in July 2011, go to college for September 2011 and finish my program on time which is September 2013, and either find work or go to school for more programs. The schools I have in mind are George Brown (Toronto), Algonquin (Ottawa), and Niagara (Niagara Falls). Each school has the program I want to take, which is, Culinary Management. This program is two years long. I'm excited yet scared to do all of this. Before I even go to school I have so many things to do for myself and my son, who will be two years old around the time I am to actually start school, so this makes things a lot more complicated. Although there will be a ton of obstacles; I plan to oversee them, work through them and become a very successful person. I strive for success and am very motivated. My son gives me more reason to succeed. It'll be hard but very much worth it in the end.

If I choose to go back to school after my Culinary Management program I want to take another program which is for a certificate. The program is called Baking and Pastry Arts. It is available at all the schools I've mentioned before, which is a good thing because I don't really want to move to a different area to take another program; I'd rather stay where I am. Hopefully once I've taken both programs, I'll have found out which one I'd rather be doing. If so, I'll either start working or upgrade in whatever area I find I like the best. I really hope that all I have to do goes smoothly, because I've planned to go to college right after high school for forever. I would be really disappointed in myself if I were to be a year or even a semester late. I am going to need a lot of help from many people to actually accomplish my goals. I need to apply for school, apply for my schooling to be paid for, find a way to get money while living away from home, find a daycare for my son, and find a place for my little family to live. I have so many things to get done before I start going to college.

Overall, I plan to go to college as soon as possible and get everything I need done. I plan to work very hard for my diploma once I'm actually in school. I will be successful and I will get everything I need to be successful. I've always been a very hard working student and I don't plan on slacking anytime soon. I will achieve my educational goals.