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1 GRADUATING CLASS/CURRENT POSITION AND LOCATION

Class of 2017. I'm now a Junior at Germantown Friends School, PA.

2 WHAT DID YOU ENJOY MOST ABOUT YOUR TIME AT EFIP AND WHY?

I honestly loved every part of my experience at EFIP. It truly was my entire life from Pre-K through 8th grade, and I wouldn't have had it any other way. A bilingual education is something that I'll be forever grateful for. I also loved (and still do) all of the people I met at EFIP. With such a small class size, I really had a family there. My best friend from EFIP is still my best friend today, even though we barely see one another.

3 PLEASE DESCRIBE YOUR CURRENT STUDIES/WORK.

I'm a Junior at Germantown Friends School this year. I've been at GFS since freshman year, and I really love it. I take the regular four majors: science, math, english, history. In addition to these, however, I designed a syllabus for my own year-long major course studying French Existentialism with Fabrice Paradis (yes, from EFIP!). I'm also very involved in the theater department at GFS, we're currently rehearsing for our fall play!

4 HOW DO YOU THINK EFIP PREPARED YOU FOR HIGH SCHOOL AND BEYOND?

EFIP's bilingual education prepared me to think in more ways than one, both literally and figuratively. Learning Geometry in French, Pre-Algebra in English, Social Studies in French, etc. really taught me to look past the superficial elements of a class and be better able to learn.

EFIP teaches its kids how to write, ask questions, and develop their own points of view.



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WHAT IS YOUR BEST MEMORY OF YOUR STUDENT LIFE AT EFIP?

My best memory of student life (besides the day to day) is the Canada Trip from my 8th grade. On the last night of the trip, my class sat outside around the firepit at the campsite. We spend hours just enjoying each other's company, overwhelmed by the idea of not being in the same class the following year. We cried and held one another, and it's a memory that's still really dear to my heart today.

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WHAT IS YOUR BEST MEMORY OF YOUR STUDENT LIFE AT EFIP?

I'll always be an EFIP student!

