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Northwestern University '29 | Evanston, IL

Pomfret School '25 | Pomfret, CT

ACTIVITIES

QUEST Program Leader, Junior / Senior year

Student Facilitator - lead group discussions on social-emotional topics and team building activities for small groups of students across all grades to enrich academics and enhance community experiences

Key Club, Sophomore / Junior / Senior year

Assist with open house events, tours and welcoming new students and families

Key Head, Senior year

Manage scheduling of tours for 100+ student tour guides

Dorm Prefect, Junior year

Appointed by Dean of Students, assisted dorm faculty with running dormitory sophomore / junior students - supervised study hall period 2x/week, organized and managed dorm bonding activities, including lip-sync battles and late-night McDonald's trips

New Student Mentor, Junior year

Served as a mentor and guided new students as needed during their transition to boarding school

Residential Assistant, Sophomore year

Appointed by Dean of Students - supporting role to Prefects - gained knowledge and experience for future leadership roles

Team Manager: JV / Varsity Squash, Junior year

Supported coach and team with practice, matches, schedules, logistics and team spirit

Here For You™ Student Ambassador

Volunteer for Here For You™ Project – clothing brand dedicated to spreading mental health awareness and offering support. Planned and coordinated an all-school lecture on the mission of the brand, organized a merchandise "pop-up" on campus for students, serve as liaison between Pomfret and the HFY™ founder, Ellie Haney, to continue the spread of the brand's message

Fairfield County Children's Choir, 2020 - 2022

Chamber Choir – Soprano 2 / Alto 2 - Learned music theory and strong music discipline – performances at Carnegie Hall, Fairfield Holocaust Commemoration, Washington National's national anthem, Washington National Cathedral, Bridgeport Rescue Mission, Operation Hope, Connecticut Children's Medical Center

OTHER FOUCATIONAL EXPERIENCES

Experiential Learning: Destino Salamanca, Spain, June, 2024

Traveled for a two-week intensive Spanish immersion language program – lived with Spanish-speaking host family, learned about Spanish history, culture, cuisine and art, studied advanced Spanish in immersive classroom environment, daily cultural activities and weekend trips to Avila and Segovia

Independent Study: American Sign Language (ASL), Junior year

Practiced conversational ASL with Dr. Coretta McCarter, former teacher at the School for the Deaf in New York, current Diversity Equity and Inclusion (DEI) Director at Pomfret School

Washington, D.C. Summer Tour: Fairfield County Children's Choir, June, 2022

Traveled with Chamber Choir, toured Washington, D.C., sang at church communities, sports games, and various other events

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SERVICE

Harbor Light Summer Adventures, Fairfield, CT

Volunteer C.I.T., Day Camp, Summer, 2020-2022 Worked with kids ages 3-6 – facilitated daily camp activities, arts & crafts, science projects, field trips – worked one-on-one with children with special needs

S.A.D.D., Students Against Drunk Driving

Club member, Freshman year
Held events for student body to educate on the dangers of drunk
driving, performed in "mock crash" along with local fire department
simulating a drunk driving accident

R.A.A.F.T., Raising Abuse Awareness for Teens

Club member, Freshman year
Raised awareness for victims of domestic violence with fundraisers

After School CHILL Program,

Volunteer, Freshman year Interacted and engaged with children and teens in grades K-12 with special needs. Activities included dance, art, games, movies, and interacting socially with friends

Youth Group, GH Congregational Church

Volunteer service including meals to homeless

Southport Park, Southport, CT

Park Ambassador, Special Event Tours, 2013 - 2016 Earth Day Representative, 2013 - 2016 Annual Park Clean-Up Participant, 2013 - 2019

HONORS & AWARDS

Class Elected 2025 Commencement Speaker
Cum Laude Society Member, 2025
Sixth Form Spanish Award, 2025
The Halleck Lefferts Award, 2025
Vice President, Mental Health Club
Head of School Scholar Honors:
Pomfret School, 2022 - 2025

SPORTS & ACTIVITIES

Yoga and Community Service
JV Squash
JV Field Hockey
JV Volleyball
JV Lacrosse
Varsity Lacrosse Team Manager, 2025
Honors Vocal Chamber Ensemble: *GriffTones*

JOBS/EMPLOYMENT

Harbor Light Preschool Academy, Fairfield, CT

Camp Counselor, Day Camp, Summer, 2025 Worked with kids ages 2-5 – facilitated daily camp activities, arts & crafts, science projects, music - focusing on positive peer interaction

Southport Construction LLC, Southport, CT

Office Assistant, Summer, 2024 Bookkeeping, general clerical tasks

Doughnut Inn Coffee Shop, Fairfield, CT

Server, June, 2023 – present Counter & drive-up service, assist with opening/closing tasks, maintenance & cleaning

INTERESTS

Choir, Singing American Sign Language, ASL Conversational Spanish Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu Sewing

Music experience: Percussion, Guitar Dance experience: Ballet, Hip Hop