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Introductory Speech

* Attention Getter: “ Never worry about tomorrow Charlie Brown. Tomorrow will soon be today and before you know it, today will be yesterday! I always worry about the day after tomorrow!” -(Charles M. Schulz) “Linus” in Charlie Brown. This quote is a good description on how I try to live, whenever I procrastinate life piles up and becomes more difficult. And I also really like the Charlie Brown movies/shows.
* Thesis: In this speech I will be talking first about my family history and my family, then my interests and hobbies, and finally my future plans.
* My family consists of my mom, my dad, me and my brother.
  + My dad is from Florida and my mom is from North Carolina. Both of my parents went to NC State to sell computer software.
  + Both me and my brother were born here in Cary. I have lived here all my life and have moved around the area two times. I went to Oak Grove Elementary, and then to Lufkin Road Middle. All of those many years I was on track one. My brother went to Oak Grove Elementary, but is now at Apex Middle.
  + Almost all of my outside family (referring to my cousins and all other close relatives) live here in Wake County. Two of them actually go here, Hannah Kennedy in 10th grade and Emma Kennedy in 11th grade. They drive me to school everyday, because we actually live in the same neighborhood.
  + Aside from the people in my family, I have two dogs, a bulldog named Stella, who spends her time sitting on the couch and sleeping, and a golden retriever named Lola, who is extremely energetic. I love my dogs and all dogs very much. In my lifetime I have had five dogs the other three are named Allie Ollie and Emmitt. The only other pets I’ve had are some fish a long time ago. I once got a goldfish from the fair, I did not win it, but I did ask the lady for it and she gave it to me, only because it was the last day of the fair and they had to get rid of all the fish. It died two weeks later and my parents felt really bad for me so they got me some more fish but all of those died too. That's about all there is to know about my family.
* Transition: Now that you know about my family I will be talking about my hobbies, my interests, basically just about me.
  + One of my hobbies and time consumers is volunteering with my mom in an organization called The National Charity League. It's basically just an organization where me, my mom, and other girls along with their moms volunteer together. We volunteer with many organizations, one that I volunteer with weekly is the Carying Place, we watch the children whose parents are getting guidance to get back on their feet. We also work with organizations for example, making cookies for the USO, and making food for the Ronald McDonald House.
  + Another one of my “activities” are track, I am currently on the winter track team, and I run the 55m. I am going to be on the spring track team and plan on running the 100m and 200m and I also plan on doing cross country in the fall.
  + In my freetime I enjoy doing calligraphy writings for fun.I have done different writings for Christmas cards and posters people have asked me to make.
  + To add onto my extracurriculars some random things i enjoy are, skiing, my family and I go on a ski trip one or more times a year, I also enjoy riding on boats, and everything that has to do with boats, like tubing and fishing. I also enjoy hiking, going shopping and playing mario kart.
* Transition: Now, since you know all about me, I am going to talk about what I am hoping my future will be like.
  + My cousin who is majoring in textiles at NC State recently introduced me to the biotextiles program at NC State, which interests me in a future career. They create coatings and cleanings for implantable devices, and surgical applications. They also study the creation of implants such as heart valves, artificial hearts, and ocular implants. I could take this and make it a career or go on to medical school and become a doctor, depending on what I want to do.
  + Besides my career, in my future I want a lot of dogs and I want to travel. I would like to travel to Prague, Greece, Spain, Australia, and back to Italy.
  + I don't know where I want to live when I get older, but I assume I would be staying in this area, considering I am choosing a career on the medical path, and in this area there are major medical studies places like Duke and UNC REX.
* That's about all there is to say about me I hope you at least know my name, thanks for listening!