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# McMinnville H.S. Internship

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# Why I chose this Internship:

- Volunteered/Mentored/Tutored at different schools during the past four years.
  - Have worked with ELL students before.
  - I am an advocate of education.
  - I want to learn new ways to help students become successful.
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# Goals of Internship

- Increase attendance of ELL students to after school homework help programs (GAP).
  - Get Latino parents more involved in their students' academic success.
  - Teach high school students (ELL students in particular) the importance of higher education.
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- **How this was done:**  
Called the home of ELL Seniors and Juniors that had not passed the math section of the OAKS test to graduate from high school.



## **Goal #1: Increasing the attendance of GAP**

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# Results

- Only a handful of students went to the after school program.
  - We have been working with those few students and seen a positive change in their work habit and grades.
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- **How this was done:**  
Through the ELL Parent Nights (Every second Wednesday of the month) Latino parents are invited to come and learn how their students are doing academically and what they can do to aid their student.



## **Goal #2: Get Latino Parents more involved**

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# Results

- The attendance of parents has increased to these meetings.
- Parent awareness of their students' current academic standing has also increased.





- **How this was done:** I mentor and tutor at the high school different groups of students.
- For the most part I worked with ELL students (9<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> Grades)
- Showed them the difference between those who seek and obtain a degree, compared to those who do not.

## **Goal #3: Teach ELL students about higher education.**

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# Results

- I have been able to demonstrate to them the significance of obtaining higher education and some of them are now thinking of going on to college.
  - Worked with students on how to research for scholarships and how to apply for them.
  - Some of the students are now more focus about their schoolwork than before.
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- Undocumented Students feel they have no “real” future.
- Language barrier deters students from pursuing higher ed.
- Some students close off and wont let you help them.

# Difficulties

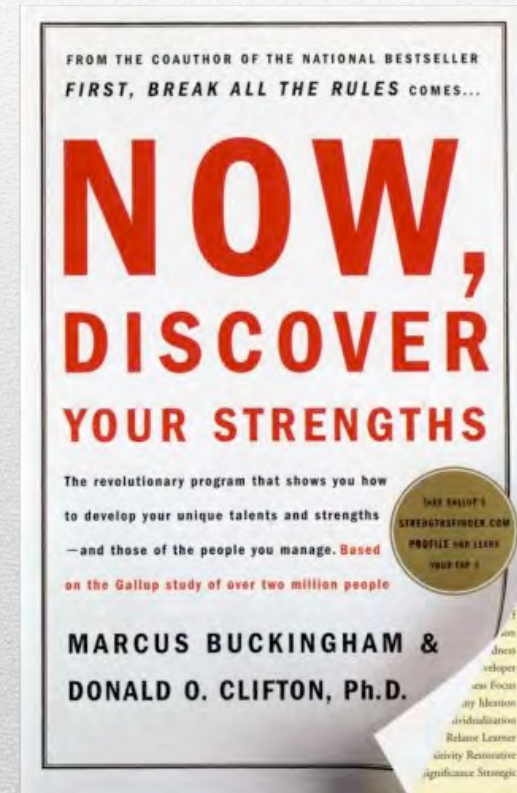
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# Overall Experience Results

- Performed as a role model for students who want to go to college.
  - Built connections with students who wanted to succeed.
  - Learned how to communicate with parents and students.
  - Informed parents about ways they can contribute to their student's success.
  - Also learned how to be “my own boss”.
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# Strength Finder Results:

- Adaptability
- Developer
- Harmony
- Learner
- Restorative



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