

Kayla Hardy
David Ellis Academy
8th Grade

The Leader in Me

David Ellis Academy has prepared me for the future. It also brought me to where I needed to be to become successful. The staff has helped me with a lot of things over the years. First, they made sure that I was getting all the help I needed to show academic progress. Secondly, they made sure that my grades were good by making me accountable for completing my work while supporting my learning habits. My teachers have been very supportive of me, and it has helped me grow as a learner and a person. Lastly, the staff tries to make sure we have fun activities.

David Ellis Academy is a great school because it has helped me personally to be successful in high school and in the future. I feel I am prepared to enter high school and to be a successful high school student. I plan to study nursing, and my ultimate goal is to get a Master of Science in Nursing (MSN). I want to work with elderly people. Attending David Ellis Academy, has helped me develop my social skills. I am patient, and socially aware and responsible to others' needs. These social skills will help me in my career. I am looking forward to life outside of school because David Ellis Academy has put me in the position to be a successful African-American woman in my community.

David Ellis Academy has helped me improve my behavior, and prepare me for life in high school. I am aware of what a model student should look like. I learned to appropriately communicate and express my feelings with adults and peers to avoid unnecessary conflict. I learned to listen and hear what the other person is saying. I have improved my behavior, and my teachers and support staff recognizes that change. I am going to go to high school with a good reputation.

David Ellis Academy has helped me develop my leadership skills. I am a leader. David Ellis Academy has taught me the importance of being a leader. Leadership skills are important to gain employment. I want to be the supervising nurse on my unit. Leadership skills I learned at David Ellis Academy will help me reach my goal. I am thankful for the leader in me. Leadership skills that I learned at David Ellis Academy will help me be productive in the community. I learned that service and serving the community is an important part of being a leader. As an adult, I will volunteer at group homes and shelters for the homeless my local community. I will do my part to make life great for as many children as I can.

In summary, David Ellis Academy has helped grow the leader in me. I am prepared to be a productive student and citizen. I have learned to communicate with my peers and adults. I learned to be organized and reliable. I maintain a high grade point average. I feel prepared for high school and college. I feel prepared to be a nurse, and a community leader. I learned the seven traits of leadership at David Ellis Academy: be productive, begin with end in mind, put first things first, think win-win, seek to understand then be understood, synergize, and sharpen the saw. I use those skills in my daily life. I am a leader.