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This I Believe (Finalized)

As a problem solver, I believe that arranging my priorities right will lead me the right way. Last Semester of Fall 2015, there was a point where I faced a bunch of struggles that challenged me mentally, physically, financially and socially. School work was piling up and as due dates drew nearer, work at PIC was at their peak as the holidays drew nearer. Added to that, unexpected bills are popping up and friends are starting to get upset due to my lack of presence. At times, I get this feeling of being overwhelmed and I just wanted to shut myself away from everything. Just by thinking of the consequence that follows afterward, I told myself that it wouldn’t do me any good and that hiding away would worsen the situation.

I knew the situation was critical for me because any choice I make will create a domino effect on the other aspects be it good or bad and “balancing” wasn’t an option anymore. Time was limited; time was the enemy. Priority, on the other hand, played an essential role for me. I usually base my priorities depending on their importance, consequence, due dates, and if I can get a chance for a do over later on. Going back to the story, my friends for example are important to me but I’m sure they’ll understand why I’m occupied and can’t make it to their hangouts. For sure, school was on the top of my list because the weight of the work due was enough to fail me that semester. I don’t want to take the same classes and also be on probation with the scholarship. The thought of failing kind of urged my mind to work continuously but at least I managed to pass. I financially struggled because my family’s house rent were raised from $300 to $500 in an instant and unfortunately, my car’s radiator finally gave up and requires a new one. Phone bills went over their limit and I was charged extra. But I knew, my family and I will fix the problem soon so I kind of pushed this near the end of my To-Do List. My work in PIC, at the time, was really busy because of the holidays. Sadly, that was the time when the contract workers stopped working for a while and so I was one of the staffs that was offered to double shift long hours. I took the offer because I knew I can handle it. The pay was great but troubled me with the other aspects as working the long hours stole away time which I could’ve used for other productive things. This I believe that prioritizing right will lead me the right way.

In the end, I trampled the problems by prioritizing. I explained to my friends why I’m usually missing in action. If I’m not cramming my work for school, I’m most likely at PIC working. I can also hang with them after all the trouble. I used the extra money I made from work to fix up my financial problems. This I believe that prioritizing right will lead me the right way.