In Chicago, wealth is not the norm and positivity is not the route most take. In my household, however, I was raised to surpass expectations of a minority coming from a single parent situation. My mind was set to succeed at all costs; to move my mother out of poverty.

Character and determination

One day, after going to a Health Professions Field Experience hosted by Abington University; there was a closure meeting. I was assigned to view a power point presentation on what a girl learned about pharmacy. As I walked in that morning draped in professional attire, I felt different. After all of the presentations were given, an event took place that changed my life. A representative of the organization rose to speak. He trudged to the front of the room

with a point to get across. He spoke as if he knew I needed to hear the message he had. He spoke of the limits of monetary success and how it lacked what significance is full of: true happiness and love.

Giving the reader a vivid picture of the event

At the end of the speech, I realized my self-centered pursuit of financial success had seemed perfect until I heard those wise words. I now use success as a tool to reach a great purpose of service. Because I am able to succeed, it is my responsibility to be significant; to leave my mark on the world. To influence,

inspire, and change people around me positively in the best way possible; just as the anonymous speaker's words had changed me.

Speaks to Essay promptwhat or who impacted you

I'm a part of a buddy program at my school to help influence the minds of the younger kids. I coach junior varsity gymnastics, in order to inspire younger girls; I want them to see me as a role model. Hear my name on the loud speaker and think I'm going to be just like her. I also offer tutoring to the kids in National Honors Society who seem to be struggling. I've been at my job for 3 months and I have already been promoted to a higher level position.

Ultimately, I take on above average leadership positions, in order to help others because that is what I enjoy doing.

Extracurricular activities & well rounded

I want to see people in my community take a different route to

success. What better way to show them how, than to just do it. I plan to build a career around helping people. I'm going to college to major in Marketing to one day pursue my dream of becoming a business owner. I'll name my organization "Big Dreams." Throughout my life, I struggled on my own. Creating "Big Dreams" will allow me to give back to my community. To allow girls just like myself to be educated and have priorities

similar to mine.

GOALS !!!! Highlighted

Once I graduate college and attain my master's degree, I will have the skills I need to be able to assist young people like myself who are the first in their families to go to college. I want to lead them to a path less difficult than that of my own, to decrease the struggle and increase success. The goal is that the next generation of young girls will be more like me. Focused on college, Grades, and becoming better than the family they grew up in. I consider myself a leader because I put my all into other people. I make sure that no matter what I'm doing I'm leading by example. I was born to lead and that's what I do.

> Closing Pitch- Goals, leadership, good representative of your organization and give back to community