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For my archive project I will be talking about my experience from going to highschool then going completely online and then going straight into college. I remember the first time I heard about Covid-19 was in my high school psychology class. My classmate was talking about it and everybody was in denial that it would affect the U.S. About a week later we went online. My teachers knew that we were going to be going online but they thought it was only going to be for a couple of weeks. We had about a month left of high school and as a senior I was ready for all the senior activities. I was pretty happy when they told us that it was only going to be for a couple of weeks. I was prepared to go online for about 2 weeks then go back to school after that. Little did I know that it would be the rest of the year.

My teachers understood zoom well but the students had a hard time adjusting to the whole online experience. I learned to adjust to zoom pretty well and understood how to navigate it. Learning through zoom was a different experience. There were a lot of technical difficulties like peoples mics not working during presentations or just peoples internet connection when it comes to staying in class. Since I went to private school and my senior class was pretty small we got to have a small and intimate graduation with only our parents. It was very disappointing to not have our siblings there with us when we graduated but I was still very grateful to be able to have a graduation. Graduating without all of our senior activities was pretty disappointing and we didn't get the ending of our senior year that me and my classmates had hoped for. Summer was very boring. We just had to stay home and enjoy our family's company.

When it comes to starting college that wasn't as smooth sailing. The classes are very quiet because it is online. When we are put into breakout rooms nobody talks and it is very quiet and awkward. I was pretty used to online school in high school because I have known most of the people since I was in kindergarten so it wasn't a too awkward transition. When going into college nobody knew anybody and it is harder socially than academically. I guess what most of my friends from high school have called it is we haven't gotten the typical college experience. I am hoping that when all the Covid stuff is finally done we will be able to go back to class and meet people face to face and hopefully it won't be as awkward.

When asked how college is going I usually keep it short and say good because in reality it kinda sucks. I don't participate in class. I am staying up late and not usually studying for finals until the last minute. I also have been procrastinating to the max. So college isn't exactly what I expected. My parents told me it's just because it's a GE class and so I'm not interested in the subject matter yet but I hope everything starts getting pretty interesting because right now school is pretty boring and the same thing over and over again.