The Washington State Board of Education

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STUDENT PRESENTATION

BACKGROUND

Student presentations allow SBE Board members an opportunity to explore the unique perspectives of their younger colleagues.

Student Board members have ample opportunity to work with staff in preparation for their presentations.

The presentation schedule and topic assignments are listed below:

Presentation Topics (rotating schedule)

- 1. My experiences as a student, good, bad, or otherwise (K-High School).
- 2. One-two good ideas to improve K-12 education.
- 3. How the Board's work on: _____ (you pick) has impacted, or will impact K-12.
- 4. Five lessons (from school or elsewhere) that have had an impact.
- 5. Before and After: Where I started, Where I am, and Where I'm Going.

Date	Presenter	Topic
2011.05.12	Anna Laura	5
2011.09.15	Jared	3
2011.11.10	Matthew	1
2012.01.XX	Jared	4
2012.03.XX	Matthew	2
2012.05.XX	Jared	5
2012.09.XX	Matthew	3
2012.11.XX	New Student C	1
2013.01.XX	Matthew	4
2013.03.XX	New Student C	2
2013.05.XX	Matthew	5
2013.09.XX	New Student C	3

POLICY CONSIDERATION

None

EXPECTED ACTION

None



Where I started, Where I am, and Where I'm Going.

Anna Laura Kastama

When you met

me...

- Student Government
- Robotics
- Imagine Tomorrow
- Food bank volunteer



Disruption in my Education



Original Sophomore year was spent at Federal Way Public Academy

My Grandmother who raised me passed and I no longer tried at school

I missed a lot of school. Starting over fresh at Tacoma School of the Arts was the best option for me

Volunteer Work



Started a daycare and organized student volunteers from TSOTA

- Discovered my love for working with children.
- I took an interest in sociology followed by a possible career as a social worker to assist families in need



Travel

Istanbul, Turkey





- Gained an appreciation for different cultures
 - Matured
 - Caught the travel bug
- I became intrigued with International Relations and much more aware of the misconceptions many Americans have about the Middle East



Influenced me to want to study **Engineering** and build environmentally efficient buildings and vehicles

Robotics

A member of FIRST Robotics team for two years

Made it to nationals in 2010!



Employment

Camp Counselor in the summer of 2010 at Camp Arnold Salvation Army





Worked 60 hours a week with 8 and 9 year old boys – YIKES!

Influenced me to want to study Child Development and Psychology and understand how children are affected by their surroundings



State Board

Two-year term on the State Board and on the Executive Committee of Washington Association of Student Councils

Had first hand experience with the workings of Washington's Public Education System

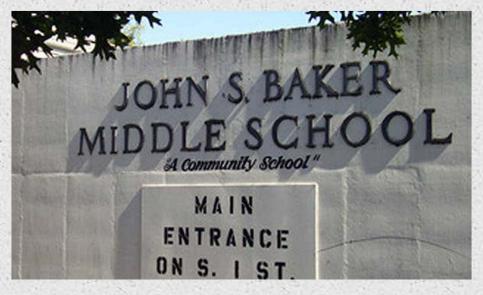
Influenced me to want to study **Political Science** and write policy to improve opportunities for Washington youth.



Senior Project

Taught advisory periods every Monday Did seminars on community issues

> Learned how hard it really is to be a teacher and create an interesting affective lesson.



Connected to middle school students. This influenced me to want to study Education and become an affective teacher - to let these students know they have a voice and a purpose.



In the fall I will be attending Reed College in Portland, Oregon!

Studying...

Where I'm Going

