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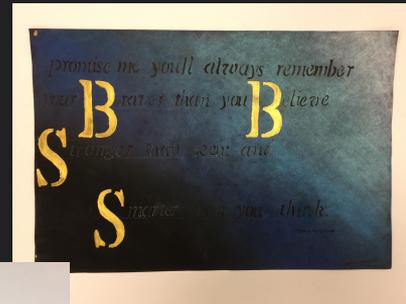
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In the beginning of the year I thought I know what art was, but now that I have experienced all that I have, I know that art is so much more than just a drawing. It's so much more than just being a "good drawer or painter", and throughout the whole time I have had the opportunity to experience all this, I hope that many more have the same privilege I have had.

About me: Well in my opinion I am an open book, but for people who can't read. My name is Jazmine Alexis Gonzalez, and I am 15 years old. I am the oldest of six amazing siblings. I also go to Vernon Malone College and Career Academy. I play softball and volleyball, and oh i'm an artist in away.



1: During the semester I have had an amazing time learning and making so many new things. But I would say my most successful project would have to be Artist develop, when I made a quote of of chalk pastels. Through this process I never thought I would like this piece as much as I did. Not being as easy as I thought it was, I had trouble making the ink I used to make the actual quote stick to the chalk. Even after everything I didn't get it 100% perfect, but I ended up liking it anymore.



3: Over the whole time I have been in art class, I would like to say i have overcome lots of obstacles but on that comes to mind is my very first real project in art class. Making a piece of of clay, in my case a rabbit. Throughout the process i found myself doubting whether or not others would like the way it looked or if it was going to be good enough, and not until I told myself it didn't matter what others think, but what I liked. Allowing my to overcome my struggles with feeling comfortable with doing art.



4: Taking risks means lots of things to me, but in art class it means doing something you wouldn't regularly do, and over all the time I have been in art class I would say taking all the risks I took has made me not just a better artist but better at expressing myself anywhere. For example I know the leaves would blow away, and that using only rocks would probably work better, but I know the leaves looked better.

