EOP Questions

32. <u>List an volunteer, extracurricular activities, or work experience in which you are or have been involved in the past two year.</u>

For the past two years, I have been part of the Girls' Basketball Team, Rotary Interact Club, Red Red Cross Club, Gear-up Mentor, Softball, Volleyball, International Club. I worked at USC Legends Non-Profit to raise money for my basketball team.

Taking on leadership roles in these extracurricular activities improved my leadership skills and my experience working with my peers.

33. Why would you like to attend college? Discuss your career and personal goals. Are the particular circumstances, school experiences, or persons influenced your preparation or motivation to attend college (e.g., cultural/financial background, family, teachers schools you attend)? Please explain.

I would love to attend college not only for myself, but for my parents. They have worked so hard for not only myself but my other sibling too. I feel like the best gift I, as a daughter, could give my parents is getting accepted to college and pursue a dream of theirs that they couldn't. So I will be the first generation to go to college. The career I have selected for myself is becoming a physical therapist. It has always gotten my attention since I was young girl. A personal goal of mine is to pursue my dream and grant my parents desires they've always want which is to graduate college and be someone in my life.

34. Briefly discuss your academic background. Did you utilize any additional support at your high school, such as tutoring? Do your grades in high school and/or college your academic ability or potential.

An academic support I have used throughout high school was Gear Up. Gear Up has given me useful and important information about college and financial aid. It could go both ways, but grades do not always determine your ability or potential. Grades are just a letter that you get in the class, but knowing the content of a class and truly understanding it is what really counts. During my 10th grade year, my peers and I had multiple substitute teachers throughout the spring semester. So, I advocated for myself and attended summer school to learn and better understand Algebra 2.

35. <u>Briefly describe your family's economic background. Include information about your financial challenges.</u>

My family's economic background is not perfect but it is enough to keep our family of four stable. Throughout my high school my dad, Nestor, lost his job approximately three times. The reason being the owners had to move locations that were too far for my dad travel especially without owning a car. My mother, Ana, is a stay home mom, but that doesn't stop her from going outside and sell items to get extra cash. Both of my parents at one point didn't have jobs which was very hard on the family.

36. <u>Please tell us more about yourself. Is there any additional information you would like EOP to consider in determining your admission to the program?</u>

One of my parents, mom, is currently unemployed. We are a low income family and my dad still tries to send monthly money to support his father. I am a hard working young adult that is determined to succeed in her life. I am always on time and determine to finish tasks. I put my full effort and commitment to everything I do like basketball. I have been part of the RFK Girls Basketball team since my freshman year. The position I play is point guard, shooting guard, and at time a forward. Gear Up is a program that I received academic counseling, visited college campuses and learned about high school requirements, college admissions, financial aid, SAT/ACT, and other college topics. As a Gear Up Mentor I participated in advanced training and workshops. Responsible for assisting peers with high school graduation requirements, college admission, financial aid, and SAT/ACT registration.