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I remember the summer before going into my senior year, so eager and excited to just be done with school. I wasn't sure exactly what I wanted to do with my life, but felt school definitely wasn't it. I was never really the best student and money was certainly also an issue. And besides why spend so much time and money on something that is not promised? Going to a technical high school, I was hoping to land a good paying job I could work for right after graduation. Beginning of senior year, I found just that but was informed I didn't qualify because of my shop experience.

This really impacted my future plans, and gave me a chance to re-think things. I changed my focus from my vocational studies and put it towards my academics. I picked classes I found interesting and was starting to really enjoy school. I loved getting lost in class discussions and strived to get the best grades in the class. I started to think, I would be working for the rest of my life, why not find a profession that truly interests me.

I began applying to schools mid senior year and with every test and assignment I had my future in mind. And to this day, I still use this attitude toward my college studies. A major reason I never took high school seriously was because I did not find the learning relevant to my life. In college, I picked all classes I like and wanted to expand my knowledge on. I take my studies one day and class at a time, which keeps me from getting over whelmed by school on top of a full time job.

I love attending Framingham State because it's such a great price for a great school. I don't feel over whelmed by student loans, which makes focusing on school much easier. On top of that, the school fit all of my needs, not too close to home or too far, very small class sizes, and a real college experience. Yes, at times I still contemplate if college is worth it, knowing a job is not promised. But I think to myself, the experience of growing, learning new things, just becoming more well rounded is not a bad start towards a good future.