



For one Dual Education student, EMT class was a life changing experience

Mrs. Veronica Anderson, Instructor/Coordinator of the Fire Academy's High School Dual Enrollment EMT Program, was delighted to receive the letter below from Kyle Kublalsingh, one of her 2010 graduating students. We're sure many of Kyle's classmates feel similarly about Mrs. Anderson.

Dear Mrs. Anderson,

I wanted to write you a thank you for such an amazing year. I can't begin to tell you how much I have grown and learned from your class. I remember the first week of class I was honestly very intimidated and I was unsure whether I could even make it through. It definitely wasn't easy, but I've learned more in this class than I ever imagined and it was all thanks to you.

One thing that stands out in my mind is something you said to us near the beginning. You told us that you weren't just teaching us to be EMTs, you were preparing us for life and teaching us life lessons. I couldn't agree with that more. Not only have I learned to save lives and be a confident EMT, but you've taught me to be a better person, whether you realized it or not.

It's because of you that I habitually call every new person I meet "Ma'am" or "Sir." That includes the waitresses at Denny's (no joke). I have a greater respect for my teachers, a better relationship with my family and a better outlook on life, all because of how much I've matured in this class.

I've had issues with confidence my entire life, and you've taught me to believe in myself. I absolutely cannot thank you enough for how much you've given me. In fact, I've recently added a new item to my list of goals. If I'm lucky enough, I do hope to one day teach EMTs as well. I want to teach others the way you've taught me. I know that I have a long road ahead of me, but as I enter my journey in the fire service, I want you to know the impact you've had on my life. Becoming a firefighter has gone from a possible career to something I want so bad I won't quit until I become one.

I genuinely want to thank you so much for being the best teacher I've ever had. My only goal at this point is that in five years time, to be half the firefighter paramedic that you are.

Sincerely,

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