

My 5 years in Ansonia High School has helped me in many ways. My freshman & sophomore years here were very difficult for me, I was trying to find myself & may have done it in the wrong way, but I did it. My freshman year was spent in the Main Stream part of the School. I was a very angry kid then & was just mad at the world & didn't care about school, thus flunking everything that year. My sophomore year I was transferred into an Alternative Program called P.A.C.E. That was where I realized acting like this is not ok. It took me that whole year but by the next year I had my act cleaned up.

My Junior & Senior years were the best for me. My Junior year I bucked down all the way on my school work, & formed very close relationships with my teachers, & other staff at P.A.C.E. At the end of my Junior year I got pregnant & that changed me for life. Life wasn't about me anymore it was about my daughter. Going into my senior year I had it all planned out I would go to school do what was needed & finish. But, because I was pregnant, I wasn't able to finish. I had to withdraw for that half of a year & returned the next school semester.

Now the first semester is over & I finally did it. I graduated from High School with high honors. I give all the credit to my P.A.C.E. family, for not giving up on me, knowing my potential & pushed me through. Not only for me but for my daughter. Both of us love & thank all of the staff for that. Hopefully I will see all of you again & Thanks for everything.