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Education
Folsom High School, Folsom, CA
11th Grader | Expected Graduation: June 2028
GPA: 3.83 (Unweighted) /4.00 (Weighted)
Current Coursework:
AP Psychology, AP United States History, AP English Language and Composition, AP Research, AP Statistics, Physics
Completed AP coursework:
AP Seminar, AP Spanish Language & Culture

Academic Honors: California Scholarship Federation member, Model United Nations Voice of Commendation, MVP award recipient for Varsity Lincoln-Douglas Debate, MVP award recipient for Mock Trial

Core Competencies & Skills
Research & Academic: Academic Writing, debate preparation, public speaking, policy analysis
Interpersonal: Leadership, peer collaboration, active listening, professional communication, teamwork, public engagement
Technical: Microsoft Word, Google Workspace, Microsoft PowerPoint, Canva

LEGAL, RESEARCH & POLICY EXPERIENCE
Legal Internship - Di Rie, Kandala & Wescott
Legal Intern | Summer 2026
- Research state-specific legal and compliance requirements across California, Delaware, and Texas to support development of standardized legal service workflows.
- Analyze legal requirements and operational processes to identify jurisdiction-specific variables, recurring obligations, and document requirements across service workflows.
- Develop structured service-planning materials for attorney review, translating complex legal requirements into organized operational frameworks.

Independent Research Project - Political Polarization Researcher
2025 - Present
- Conduct independent research examining political polarization and executive policymaking surrounding U.S. refugee and immigration policy.
- Analyze federal policy actions, administrative decisions, litigation, and government sources to evaluate changes affecting refugee protections.
- Synthesize legal and policy evidence into structured arguments examining the relationship between political polarization and refugee policy.

Lumiere Education Research Program - Research Scholar
2025
- Conducted quantitative research examining the relationship between national pride and U.S. attitudes toward immigration using longitudinal public-opinion data.
- Analyzed immigration attitudes through political science and social psychology frameworks under the guidance of an independent research mentor.

- Published *"Borders of Belief: How National Superiority Shapes Views on Immigration"* in *The Curieux Review*.

HEPS (Health, Ethics, and Policy Society) - Founder
2026 - Present

- Founded and lead a student-led policy organization investigating ethical and public-policy issues affecting local communities.
- Direct a six-department student leadership team across research, policy writing, outreach, communications, education, and debate/events.
- Lead HEPS's inaugural policy cycle examining how federal Medi-Cal funding and eligibility changes may affect healthcare access for low-income families and youth in Sacramento County.
- Guide research toward policy briefs, stakeholder engagement, public education, and evidence-based policy recommendations.

LEADERSHIP & CIVIC ENGAGEMENT
Venkat Mechineni Sacramento City Council Campaign - Youth Team Lead
2025 - Present

- Lead youth outreach and engagement initiatives for a local City Council campaign, coordinating student participation and contributing ideas to campaign strategy.
- Support voter outreach, political interviews, campaign communications, and community engagement efforts.

Suvidha International Foundation - Speech & Debate Instructor and Judge
2025 - Present

- Teach speech and debate concepts to elementary and middle school students through online instructional programs.
- Judge middle school speech and debate competitions, evaluating argumentation, delivery, and critical thinking skills.

Extracurricular Activities & Volunteer Experience
Mock Trial - Competitor
2025 - 2026

- Analyzed witness statements, exhibits, and case materials to prepare examinations, testimony, and legal arguments for competition.
- Earned MVP recognition for performance in competition.

Speech & Debate - Varsity Competitor
2023 - Present

- Competed in Dramatic Interpretation, Impromptu Speaking, and Varsity Lincoln-Douglas Debate at the high school level.
- Earned MVP recognition in Varsity LD Debate after winning 3 out of 4 debate rounds in the first competition.

Model United Nations - Delegate
2025 - Present

- Research international policy issues and represent assigned countries in committee, developing evidence-based positions and negotiating multilateral solutions.
- Draft resolutions and collaborate with delegates to address complex humanitarian, political, and social issues through diplomacy and consensus-building.
- Earned a Voice of Commendation Award for committee performance.

Podcast & Blog Creator - Bridging the Bar / Letters to a Future Jurist
2025 - Present

- Create independent podcast and written content exploring law, public policy, civic institutions, and legal philosophy.
- Research topics and conduct outreach to legal professionals, public officials, and other prospective guests for long-form conversations about law and public service.

Additional Community Involvement: T.A.G.S. Youth Board Member; STA Volunteer; Suvidha International Foundation Volunteer