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EDUCATION

Elon University- Elon, NC 2023-Present
President's List (Fall 2023)
Dean's List (Spring 2023, Fall 2024)
Nazareth Academy - La Grange Park, IL 2019-2023
GPA: 4.35 | **Class Rank:** 29 out of 167 | Class of 2023
"A" Honor Roll all 6 semesters; AP Scholar

MEDIA WORK EXPERIENCE

Elon News Network- Elon, NC 2023-Present
Written over [100 articles](#) for Elon News Network Website and *The Pendulum*, Elon's [award-winning](#) weekly newspaper.
[Portfolio](#) available.

Politics Editor (05/2025-Present)

- Assign coverage for state-government based issue stories, local county political coverage, municipal election coverage, and student government stories
- Work as part of leadership team to staff to coordinate newspaper, website, and broadcast coverage for *ENN Tonight*, *The Pendulum*, and the Elon News Network Website
- Plan a special political centric edition of *The Pendulum* that served as the voter guide for Alamance County municipal elections

Sports Editor (05/2024-05/2025)

- Assigned coverage for sports features, game coverage and breaking news
- Worked as part of leadership team to staff to coordinate newspaper, website, and broadcast coverage for *ENN Tonight*, *The Pendulum*, and the Elon News Network Website
- Planned three special sports centric editions of *The Pendulum* and coordinated travel logistics for away game coverage

Reporter (09/2023-Present)

- Serve as a multimedia reporter and as a news source for Alamance County on variety of topics including local news, event coverage, features, sports, and political reporting

One on One Sports- Elon, NC 2023-2024

- Worked graphics and cameras for a sports debate TV show
- Discussed various sports topics on camera with fellow talent

WORK EXPERIENCE

Western Springs Park District - Western Springs, IL 2021-2025

- Tennis instructor to students ranging from toddler to teen. Responsible for running classes.

La Grange Field Club- La Grange, IL 2019-2023

- Tennis instructor to students ranging from toddler to teen. Responsible for running classes and tennis tournaments, and managing tennis shed.

AWARDS/HONORS

- **2023-2024 Times-News Publishing Company Incorporated Scholarship:** Honors a student in journalism who has demonstrated leadership, scholarship, service to the community, and exemplary character traits.
- **National Finalist for Sports Writing:** My story “Price of play: Impact of injury on Elon Athletics” was named a Finalist in the Society of Professional Journalists’ Mark of Excellence Awards.
- **Region 2 First Place for Sports Writing:** My story “Price of play: Impact of injury on Elon Athletics” was awarded First Place for Sports Writing in the Society of Professional Journalists’ Mark of Excellence Awards.
- **North Carolina College Media Association First Place:** My story “Price of play: Impact of injury on Elon Athletics” was awarded First Place for Sports Writing by the NCCMA.
- **Region 2 Finalist for Sports Reporting:** My story “Community weighs transgender sports ban” was named a finalist in Region 2 in the Society of Professional Journalists’ Mark of Excellence Awards.
- **2023-2024 Elon News Network Member of the Year:** Named Member of the Year by Elon News Network leadership.
- **Elon Communications Fellowship:** Selected as one of only 35 students to participate in a four-year fellows program that provides fellows with in depth experience to the communications field. Involved a rigorous selection process including a 3.8 GPA or higher, extracurricular involvement, and an in-person interview.
- **Elon Presidential Scholarship:** Awarded to only 15% of incoming students, received Elon’s highest scholarship level.