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Junior, Ridge High School

Extracurricular Activities	School Years	Hrs-Wk/ Wks-Yr	Positions/Descriptions
Project Sunshine Club	9 – 11	2/10	Member / Participate in general activities including fundraising, kit-construction, and promotion to other students.
Orchestra	9 – 12	3.3/24	Secretary (10); Principal of Cello (9 & 11)
Central NJ Regional Orchestra	10	4/5	Member
NJ All State Orchestra	10	6/2	Member
New York Youth Symphony	10-11	4/36	Member
Congressman Malinowski's Youth Advisory Council	11	3/10	Council member/ Introduce student bills in legislation, communicate and work with the Congressman to better understand government and for the Congressman to better understand the youth.

Community Service	School Years	Hrs-Wk/ Wks-Yr	Positions/Responsibilities
Bernards Ensemble	7 -11	2/36	President (11), Coordinator (10-11)
PEC (Parents for Exceptional Children)	7 - 11	By Events;	Mentor / Work with special needs children in fitness, music, and the arts.

Employment	School Years	Hrs-Wk/ Wks-Yr	Positions/Responsibilities
YMCA Lifeguard	11	4/20	Lifeguard

Honors/Awards	School Years	Honors/Descriptions
Ridge High School	9 – 11	Honor Roll
The Manhattan International Music Competition	10	Cello first prize / Winner's concert at Carnegie Hall
Bernards Township Mayor's Arts Award Winner in an organization group as Bernards Ensemble	9	The Township Committee, Recreation Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee and Parks & Recreation Department commends on artistic efforts and community service in Bernards Township.
Bernards Township Mayor's Arts Award Winner in a student group	11	The Township Committee, Recreation Parks & Pathways Advisory Committee and Parks & Recreation Department commends on artistic efforts and community service in Bernards Township.

Summer Experiences	Summer	Positions/Responsibilities
New York Youth Symphony Spain Tour	2019	12 days Concert tour to Spain for 12 days; Madrid, Toledo, Seville, Ronda, Malaga, and El-Escorial; Exchange Program with top performers in Spain.

Special Experiences	School Years		Description
New York Youth Symphony “Prodigy” film making participation as an extra	10	Nov. 2018	I was an extra in the indie film “Prodigy” as a cellist in an orchestra
Fund raising of \$3,700 for Arc of Somerset & PEC by holding Benefit Concert	11	June 2019/ Dec 2019	Held concerts to benefit PEC and Arc of Somerset

Hobbies/Interests	
Work out / Building up Muscle	Spend at least 4 hours per week in gym
Computer Hardware Assembly	Constantly upgrading/ building high-performance PCs

#### Detailed Description about Bernards Ensemble

- From 2016 ~: Volunteered in the Bernards Ensemble
- From June 2019 ~: President of the Bernards Ensemble

#### About Bernards Ensemble

The Bernards Ensemble was founded in September 2016 with a group of passionate and talented student musicians in the Bernards township area. The main goal of the Bernards Ensemble is to perform music for people with special needs. The ensemble strives to not only bring recognition to these people, but also provide an effective pathway of communication and understanding through the joy of music. As some children and adults with disabilities are not able to attend musical concerts, the ensemble aims to bring the concert to them. The Bernards Ensemble have been worked closely with the Bernards PEC (<http://bernardspec.com>) and the Arc of the Somerset (<https://www.thearcofsomerset.org/>) to achieve our goal to serve the community with music.

#### My Personal Dedication

I have had the honor to act as the President of Bernards Ensemble. I hope to promote social equality for people with disabilities, spread public awareness about disabilities, and to celebrate creativity with others through the art of music. I work hard to publicize the Bernards Ensemble’s events and arrange the concerts, serving as a voice and communicator for the less privileged, and to look to create positive change in my community through music.

#### Activities and Achievements from 5.1.2019 up to Today

- January 12, 2020 - Concert for PEC: Winter Concert for PEC (Parents for Exceptional Children). The Bernards Ensemble invited PEC families to attend their annual Winter Concert on January 12th, 3:00pm at Bishop Janes United Methodist Church.

- [January 4, 2020 - Concert for Arc of Somerset at Branchburg:](#) We visited Arc of Somerset at Branchburg to perform our annual Winter Concert.
- [December 23, 2019 - Concert for Arc of Somerset at Hillsborough:](#) We visited Arc of Somerset at Hillsborough to perform our Christmas Concert and gave Christmas gifts with a fund we have raised from our Benefit Concert on 12/20/19.
- [December 20, 2019 – Christmas Benefit Concert:](#) We invited our families and friends to attend our Christmas Benefit Concert at Evangel Chapel Bridgewater. We have raised approximated \$700 and donated to the Arc of Somerset at Branchburg and Hillsborough.
- [November 8, 2019 - Concert for Arc of Somerset at Branchburg:](#) We visited Arc of Somerset at Branchburg to perform our music concert.
- [November 1, 2019 - Gala for Arc of Somerset:](#) We were invited to perform in the Gala concert of Arc of Somerset and perform for the quests of the Arc for fundraising.
- [June 21, 2019 – Concert for Arc of Somerset at Branchburg:](#) We visited Arc of Somerset to perform our regular concert.
- [June 8, 2019 – Benefit Concert:](#) We invited our families and friends to attend our Benefit Concert at Bishop Janes United Methodist Church. We have raised approximated \$2,000 and donated to the Arc of Somerset and PEC.