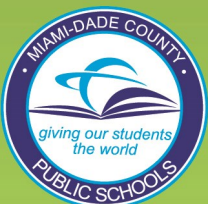


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Raul's journey to success: It's all about the passion

Raul's journey to success began when he made the courageous decision to leave his home country of Cuba and seek a better life in the United States. As a former teacher, Raul dreamt of new opportunities and a higher quality of life for himself. Upon arriving in the US on October 24, 2022, Raul wasted no time in pursuing his ambitions. Understanding the importance of mastering the English language, he eagerly enrolled at the American Adult Education Center for ESOL classes. The availability of these classes filled him with excitement and hope for a brighter future.

While attending ESOL classes, Raul also discovered the SAVES program, a support initiative for refugees like himself. Learning about the program's benefits and opportunities brought a sense of relief and gratitude to his heart. Raul knew that with the help of SAVES, he could make significant strides towards achieving his goals. With unwavering determination, Raul dedicated himself to his studies. Progressing from ESOL 4 onwards, he exhibited exceptional commitment, which eventually led to his exit from ESOL and placement into the ABE program. Alongside his academic pursuits, Raul seized the opportunity to enroll in a Phlebotomy course, fueling his passion for healthcare.

Raul's hard work and dedication paid off as he proudly received his ESOL certificate, symbolizing his completion of all the ESOL levels. In addition, he earned CPR and Phlebotomy certifications, adding to his growing list of accomplishments. The sense of

pride and fulfillment he felt upon achieving these milestones was immeasurable. Looking ahead, Raul envisions further growth and career advancement. He plans to pursue Nursing Assistance classes in the upcoming term, eager to expand his skills and contribute even more to his chosen field. Raul is honored to be one of the many students that the SAVES program has supported, recognizing that it has propelled him one step closer to his goal.

His heart overflows with gratitude for the SAVES program and the devoted teachers who have guided and encouraged him every step of the way. With their unwavering support and his own unwavering determination, Raul knows that there are no limits to what he can achieve.

