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Pre-calculus

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End of Course Reflection

I took pre-calculus this year so I could take calculus next year. I spent a large portion of my summer taking an algebra 2 class just to get to take pre-calculus this year. I feel that it was a good choice to take the class because I feel that I will be more prepared for college if I take calculus next year.

About myself, I learned that I can grasp information quickly and apply it, for the most part. Sometimes I have trouble with things and they take me more time to learn, but I push through and eventually grasp it. I can ask for help when I need it and I can figure it out on my own if I have to. For example, with homework 27, I had to ask Lisa for help and we worked together on most of the problems. When I had a hard time, she was there to show me the right way, and I eventually grasped it. That's not usually how things are, but I don't give up at math because I like it.

My ability to persevere is what I think will allow me to succeed in the future. I can use this class as evidence for that because, as stated before, I was able to push through the tough times. It is, though, on a smaller scale than it will probably be in the future. Still, I know now that I can do what I need to succeed.

This applies to my personal journey because, like most other things, it is a stepping stone. If I don't get past learning to use derivatives, I won't ever be able to do anything more important in the big picture. If I don't learn how to deal with my weaknesses now, I won't be able to find solid footing in the future. When it comes to how pre-calculus will be a part of my journey, it isn't everything, but is a part of the process.

Next year is going to be great, I think. I'm ready for more of a challenge and I'm waiting to feel prepared enough for college. Calculus is what I've been working towards for the past two

years at least. It's finally here, and I couldn't be more excited. This isn't to say that I'm not afraid. Of course I am. I want to do well without many worries, but I'm not sure that'll happen. I'm nonetheless ready, whether anyone else thinks so or not.