



It was more than just an academic area. It also allowed me to have fun and live out my childhood with people.

Like like really it was like kind of like my childhood really. I want everybody here to have the same experience as me, to be able to come and be in the IB (International Baccalaureate) program or go to go to good places in their life. So because of that, I decided to you know help out around here. What keeps me committed here, is mostly the community ties like you want to come here and help out the children, to help build your community and help your community Thrive. Because at the end day you always want to see your community and the people you grew up with and the people around you thrive and make it.

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So I started coming here to the portable around five, six, around kindergarten. We also did academic activities and we became, pretty close friends through that.

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What's going on here is Ms. Michelle, she's helping some of the kids plant some stuff. When it's done growing they use them in their food. This Mulberry is so good and I remember when it's in season there'll be like buckets of them and they used to take them inside the portable and we used to eat them they were so good.

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Today we have our Remake Learning Days event which we're calling Dive Into Learning. So the theme is ocean, ocean creatures, ocean life, our Shores. It's just to get kids out and excited about learning sort of experiential Hands-On learning activities.

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Every year youth Thrive hosts Shop with a Cop and pairs 150 local underprivileged children that they are serving in the community with local law enforcement to shop for holiday gifts at a local Walmart store. 2022 will be the 11th year of Shop with a Cop. Youth Thrive is proud to host the annual books and badges literacy event to commemorate the campaign for grade level readings, National summer learning week. This Dual-Purpose event provides free books for low-income kids to read and mitigates against summer learning loss as well as provides positive interaction with police.

