

# CAVIT Second Year Students Destined for Success

There are many young and bright minds attending CAVIT this year. Several students in particular show excellent determination and dedication to their programs. They also have taken on leadership responsibilities and participate in extracurricular activities with the school. These students offer wise advice for first-year CAVIT students and others who are considering enrolling at CAVIT.

## **Ashton Florea – [Dental Science](#)**

Ashton Florea is a second-year student in CAVIT's dental assistant program. He originally decided to follow his parents' path in nursing, but later found that dental science was a better fit. Some of his favorite parts of the program include learning about cleaning teeth, mouth anatomy, and learning how to use dental tools and performing cleanings on practice dummies. Florea is president of CAVIT's Health Occupation Students of America (HOSA), which is an international career and technical student organization endorsed by the U.S. Department of Education and Health Science Technology Education Division. When asked what he likes about attending CAVIT, Florea responded, "CAVIT offers a lot of extra opportunities that aren't available in a traditional high school setting." He continues, "I am most looking forward to participating in the trips scheduled this year to visit dental professionals. I am also looking forward to getting my radiography dental certification at the end of the year."

After graduating from CAVIT, Florea plans to attend Central Arizona College for two years, then transfer to Arizona State University to become a dental hygienist. He would like to work in a correctional center as a dental assistant while furthering his education. When asked what advice he would give to first-year students, Florea stated, "Get involved as much as possible, be open and don't close yourself off, and participate in the many programs CAVIT has to offer."

## **Ana Rivera – [Cosmetology](#)**

Although cosmetology was not in Ana Rivera's plans, after learning about CAVIT's program, she decided to try it out and "fell in love." Rivera states that the teachers are incredibly supportive and always willing to help the students when the opportunity arises. "The students in cosmetology are usually nervous about trying stuff out at first, but with the support of the staff, they get out of their comfort zones and try new things." In addition to learning about cosmetology, Rivera says the students also learn time management and communication skills. She thrives in competitive scenarios and enjoys the challenges and small competitions hosted in the program. "I am really excited about the hair shows this year. The competitions give students a lot of drive to learn and try their best. Everyone wants to have the best results possible, plus they are really fun."

Rivera is inspired by her teachers and is considering going into teaching herself. After graduating from CAVIT, she plans to work as a hair stylist while going to school to study education. Rivera encourages the younger students with this bit of advice: "Put in the hours, attend, always do your best, be better than you were yesterday, and you will achieve what you want to achieve."

## **Rylie Young – [Veterinary Science](#)**

For as long as Rylie Young can remember, she has had a love for animals. She learned about the Veterinary Science Program CAVIT offers in 8<sup>th</sup> grade and immediately knew she wanted to enroll in the program. Her favorite part about the veterinary program is the amount of time she gets to spend with the animals. “We get to go to the shelters and get the dogs out, I love giving them the attention they don’t normally receive on a day-to-day basis in the shelter.” According to Young, the class takes bi-monthly trips to the animal shelter to get hands-on experience. This year, Young will learn how to do x-rays, blood work, and more advanced veterinary assistant responsibilities, in addition to her previous education in grooming and bathing. She loves how the program gives hands-on experience. “Every week the program has clinics called [Animal Day Spa](#), and the public can bring in their pets to be groomed and bathed, it is free of charge, but anyone can leave a tip to support the program.” To participate in the clinics, please call (520) 423-2999 to set up an appointment.

After graduating from CAVIT, Young plans to go to the University of Arizona as a pre-vet student. Eventually, she hopes to become a veterinary surgeon. In Young’s opinion, “CAVIT is a great place to get a head start and gain valuable experience in the veterinary field.”

## **Yazli Moroyoqui – [Medical Science](#)**

Yazli Moroyoqui is determined to excel in the medical field, and chose to join CAVIT to get a head start on her medical education. Moroyoqui relays that her favorite part about attending CAVIT is meeting people and gaining new knowledge. She states, “You get to have fun new experiences and become advanced in your career at a young age.” This year at CAVIT, Moroyoqui is excited to achieve her certification at the end of the school year with outstanding grades. She is currently taking classes at Central Arizona College, and while she hasn’t chosen which university she wants to attend afterwards, she plans to pursue a bachelor’s degree in pre-medicine. Moroyoqui’s ultimate goal is to become a pediatrician, as she loves working with kids and is passionate about child health care.

Moroyoqui has been especially impressed with the level of support CAVIT provides and encourages first-year students to “try everything and find what fits them best, participate in HOSA, make new friends, and above all else, never give up...CAVIT wants you to be successful in your career and achieve your dreams. The medical program is especially great, I love it.”

The second-year students at CAVIT are approaching the next step in their professional journeys. CAVIT continues to support them every step of the way as they prepare to move onto the next chapter in their lives and set an example for their peers.