

Julia Interview

- A junior
- Has been here since kindergarten
 - Before it was Severn
- Always liked it
- Has been sailing since freshman year
- Swimming since sophomore year
- In intro to medical club, math team, and go to eco club a lot
- Likes art classes - ceramics
- As she's gotten older the community has grown
- The bigger grades - she's seen it grown for the better and for the worse
- As the community grows people learn to work together and get to know people
 - Great way to not limit yourself to certain people
- Like how Severn is a smaller school
 - You get to know everybody
 - Helps in class
 - Not that hard to find someone to be with
- As she's grown the teachers have still been there to help
- Creating relationships with the teachers has been really beneficial, not just what classes you take but also finding your interests and what you're passionate about
 - Very helping for thinking about your future and college and what she wants to study
- Loves the sense of how the community is always growing and changing - always has that solidity of togetherness
- She likes to be one of those people who takes to people first and introducing herself first and she thinks that makes a big difference when meeting people and that togetherness
- Likes to see when other people do that too - mentioned me
- Joining clubs she interested in and working up to become a leader - intro to medical studies and math team
- It's important to her that when she shows passion or interest in something that other people are also interested in the same thing
 - It's nice to see that other people in the community has similar interests
- When it switched to Severn she was going into 2nd grade
 - Exact same people
 - The uniform and school was the same but different colors
 - Changed the logo in the gym
 - Didn't know what it meant
- The fact that we have a community is really unique
- Super close knit
- The fact that we all know something about each other is so unique
- The teachers, how they are so approachable and talking to them about extra help
- Feel very comfortable - not sure if this is everywhere
 - Never felt a sense of not belonging because everyone is always there for everyone else
- Zmuda has had biggest impact on her (advisor)
 - Always believes in her

- Always in a good mood and there to talk
- Very positive
- Always keeping her in check with grades
- Likes him the most
- Great advisory to have
- Never had him as a teacher
- Love having him as a mentor
- Severn Values
 - Community
 - Character
 - Scholarship
 - Conduct
 - Severn emphasizing on that you don't have to be the best just do your best
 - She tries to be the best and knows that's not possible but helpful to have teachers like ot, who says that if you try your best and give it your all and still don't get good grades, that's ok, he's got it, you will end the semester with a grade that reflects how much you know
 - How teachers respect students' lives and understand if they may not be the best test taker or can't do homework one night because of a family thing
 - Considerate
 - Understand
 - Helps us trust our teachers and bring us all together
- Core values
 - Always try her best and put in as much work as possible
 - Challenge herself
 - Go above and beyond
 - In homework, writing a little but more to get good practice
 - Not giving up
 - Anytime she does it doesn't get her anywhere
 - Working hard
- Swimming and sailing has been something she wouldn't have done without Severn
 - Always wanted to try it when younger but heard it was a big commitment and had other things to do
 - Didn't know if she would like it
 - Didn't think about it freshman year
 - Tried it sophomore year "why not"
 - Ever since she's tried it it's been one of her favorite things at Severn
 - Thinks about it everyday during school
 - so exciting to hang out with friends and swim
 - Love the team and meets
 - Love the opportunity given
- Severn one word
 - Honesty
 - Above and beyond

- “Anytime I compares Severn to any other community I’ve been apart of it doesn’t even compare”
- Everything at Severn goes above and beyond
- Teachers, students
- She likes to go above and beyond and Severn gives her the opportunity to do so