

# CHRISTIAN BARNARD

Class of 2020



## FAIL FORWARD

The first time I heard this saying was from the wonderful Mrs. Crim. To me Failing Forward is how I would describe SLCSE's unique teaching style. We were never not learning until the last day of school. One of the teachers in my mind that really showed this aspect of SLCSE was Mrs. Crim herself. Mrs. Crim was always experimenting with new and fun ways to teach math. She didn't criticize mistakes but instead used them to guide students to a stronger and deeper understanding.

## MY PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

I plan on attending Utah State University in Logan to pursue a degree in Mechanical Engineering. I hope to also get an internship at an engineering company here in Utah and further expand my knowledge.

## One of My Favorite SLCSE Experiences

The most recent camping trip I went on was the Rio Mesa trip with Mrs. Moretz. It was going to be a nice three days full of hiking, science, and fun. Having been twice before, I knew what to expect while I was there. The morning that we went on the trip was the same day as the AP Psychology Test, so I made sure to leave my stuff with Mrs. Moretz and the rest of the gear heading up on the trip. I planned on going up later that day with Mrs. Wickelson after the AP test was finished. As soon as the test finished, we left on our four-and-a-half-hour drive to join the rest of the class. When we arrived, it was dark, so I wanted to gather my gear and get my bed set up to sleep. Except... my gear wasn't there. It was still in the classroom ready to go. I had to borrow a pillow and sleeping bag from Connor, a water bottle from Mrs. Moretz, and got a brand-new toothbrush that Mr. Smith had in his camper. Even though my gear was forgotten at school, I still had a fun time with friends, and I don't regret going on that trip. It's always been something I look back on and laugh about.

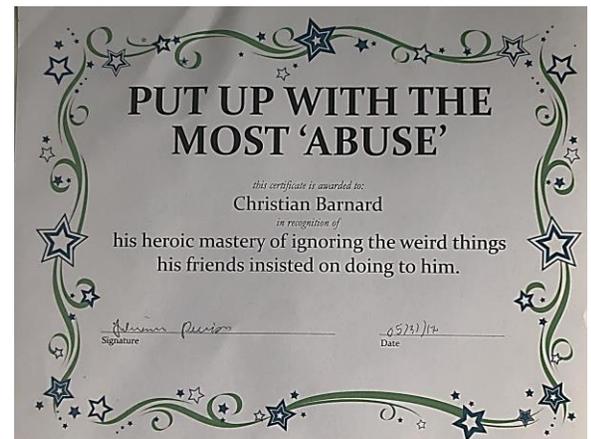
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*"Don't tell me the sky is the limit when there are footprints on the moon."*

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## IMPACT STATEMENT: MRS. PIERSON

Mrs. Pierson was one of my favorite teachers I have had at SLCSE. She brought a fun and exciting learning atmosphere to class every day. From observing waves with fire to letting us safely use an air compressor to shoot a marble at an egg, there were no boring days in her class. Besides being an amazing teacher, she connected with her students well. At the end of the year, she made unique awards for each of us based on our personality, habits, and inside jokes from our time with her. To me, she has become a mentor and a friend.



My Personal Award