## Josh Heintzelman Embodies the Spirit of Tenacity



A senior at Bartlett High and King Career Center, Josh strives to help better lives of people in the community. The list of community service projects and volunteer work that Josh has accumulated is both extensive and diverse. He has volunteered for the Special Olympics, Tae Kwon Do tournaments, cancer charity events, and refurbishes old computers for the Salvation Army and woman's shelters. Josh believes in making a difference in the world. He has overcome difficult odds from having an abusive background during his childhood, to moving repeatedly and changing schools multiple times in just a few short years. Being the man of the house seems a natural fit for Josh, as his demeanor is confident, strong and mature.

He has used these challenges in a positive light, giving back to the community and building a better future for those around him. He believes that by taking the opportunities to help volunteer it will not only "better the community, but better [him] as well".

Josh plans on attending University of Alaska, Anchorage to pursue higher education opportunities. With his busy schedule of volunteer work, his internship, and helping his mother and siblings, he still keeps a 3.5 grade point average. Josh has demonstrated that he is a powerful and selfless leader and will persevere over any obstacle that comes his way.

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