

Highlights on Harborlight Alumni - December 2008

An Interview with Cameron Walker, Class of 2008



Cameron Walker
Harborlight '08
St. John's Prep '12
Hometown: Beverly, MA

Fondest Harborlight Memory: My fondest memories are of the many friends I made over the years and all of the great trips we took - from apple picking in pre-school to our class trip to New York City in 8th grade.

Cameron Walker, a freshman at St. John's Preparatory School, has already made his mark by earning academic honors for the first quarter of the 2008-2009 academic year. His course load includes Biology, Algebra I, English, World History I, Faith and the Hebrew Scriptures, as well as German. Cam hopes to travel to Deutschland at the end of his sophomore year. He enjoys all of his classes from lab work in Biology to learning a new language.

After 10 years at Harborlight, Cam adjusted to the Prep's big campus and changing classes, thanks in part to the school's very comprehensive orientation for freshmen. He was also able to memorize his locker combination and schedule quickly, key to making life a whole lot easier at the Prep. When asked how Harborlight prepared him for life at the Prep, Cam responded, "the rigors of the eighth grade year prepared me for my all-honors course load at the Prep. The amount of reading and creative writing we did each week prepared me for my English course."

Cam has joined the Aviation Club, the German Club and the Gourmet Club, and plans on trying out for the ski team. Already he has flown out of Beverly Airport with the Aviation Club, and has been learning how to use flight simulator software to fly planes. "This fall, I got to fly 'backseat.' Next year I'll get to actually fly a plane three times." There is no end to the opportunities made available to students at the Prep.

Cameron continues to study piano at Gordon College, and just received his high red belt at the US Tae Kwon Do Center in Beverly. He won a bronze medal at the recent statewide Tai Kwon Do competition in Lowell.

Even with a schedule packed with strenuous academics, sports and other extracurricular activities, Cam always manages to actively participate in community service projects. From helping out with the Beverly Bootstraps backpack drive over the summer to feeding hungry people through his church's Sunday Night Suppers program, Cam is an outstanding example of "character in action." As the 'face' of the North Shore United Way, we asked Cam if he felt there is a greater impact in giving locally considering today's economy. His response: "Giving is a good thing, whether locally or around the globe."

It is still too early to know where Cam's future lies, but it is evident that he will rise to the top in whatever field he chooses. For the near future, Cameron hopes to find a summer job and make some money. He also plans on taking geometry at the Prep over the summer so he can enroll in Algebra II and Trigonometry next year...always pressing forward!

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Along with Cam, Nick Kasarda, Zack Whitten and Gabe Fernandez also achieved academic honors at St. Johns.

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Three former Harborlight students and current Beverly High seniors received the State's John & Abigail Adams Scholarship for performing in the top 25% of their district on MCAS:
Haley Houseman, Hayley Oman and Evan Tawa.

Leanna DeMarco achieved Honors for the 1st quarter at Beverly High School.

Jesse Spause enlisted in the US Marine Corps and will begin basic training next summer.

Robyn Dion attends Danvers High School and, as of this fall, has her drivers permit

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