



1.If anything was possible, what would your dream job be, and why?

If anything was possible, I wanted to be a lawyer. One of the lawyers that I look up to the most told me “You may feel inadequate for this profession, but you should always keep in mind that your passion for helping and standing for what is right is more than enough to become a lawyer. Add it to your perseverance and you are halfway there”. I am in it not because it is a high-paying profession but rather because there are a lot of people who died and are suffering at the hands of injustice. It pains me that other people could take advantage of those who are below them. And with that feeling embedded in me, I wanted to be someone who would be there as they fight for justice. “Justice is only for those who have money and power” This is the quote I really hate the most, there is so much injustice that this quote is now normalized today. My dream is hard it may seem, but I believe that nothing is impossible if you put your heart into it. One small butterfly could create a hurricane unknowingly. Again, if anything was possible, I wanted to stand with lady justice and be a lawyer.

2. Have you ever experienced a stressful situation in your past workplace (college if fresh graduate), what was it and how did you overcome it?

Stress is inevitable, especially in the workplace. I had this experience which I find demanding in a way, there was this bullying issue in school that was supposedly minor, but the mom called DEPed and it worsened. The students have already resolved the issue within them because as they call it, it was “away bata” only. The mom had bypassed the school and went to DEPed. The DEPed legal team contacted us regarding the case and even held a conference. For me, it was very demanding because it was my first time facing that kind of task. We could easily have averted that issue if they had just listened and gone with the legal process the school was doing. After a few conferences, with the help of my colleagues and the Directress-Principal, the issue was then resolved and settled. I then went on a trip to unwind since that case really took my energy. I needed to de-stress for me to be able to disregard the vicarious trauma I had acquired throughout the case.



3. In your previous position, what task did you find most challenging and why? What task did you enjoy most and why?

In my previous position, the task that I found most challenging was when I was made to handle the Career Day all by myself. I need to invite different schools to have their campaign in our school, set the budget, request the venue and necessities, plan out the route of the parade, get judges, and create score sheets for the best attire, and other minor tasks that are time-bound. It was challenging since I was the only one doing the tasks at the same time. I also have time constraints since other tasks were given a few days before the event. On the other hand, I enjoyed all the tasks assigned to me. Even if they were challenging, I really enjoyed doing them because I learn while I work and that is the most important part. I was also sharpening my skill set for my next employer and I could give them an upgraded version of myself molded by St. Theresita's Academy. I opt to tell myself that every task should be done with enthusiasm so that I won't get stressed over it.

4. How would your previous managers/coworkers describe you?

I think my previous coworkers/managers would describe me as someone who would always say yes to tasks, reliable and someone who enjoys mingling with people. In any task, even those I don't know how to do, I would say yes. It's because I know I could do it and would exceed their expectations. I would love to go beyond what was asked of me, ask me to design you a backdrop. I would create a whole stage for you. I never backed down to any task given, that is always why they would describe me as someone who's reliable. You can always rely on me any day and at any time. I am naturally born talkative and loves people, that is why I love to mingle with them but of course I know when and where. And with me mingling with people, I created a strong bond and connection which I think is essential in a workplace.



5. What personal or professional accomplishments are you most proud of?

In my previous workplace, I oversaw students from kindergarten to senior high, I was tasked to have a session with them, just a small talk about their school life, academics, and family. An adviser went to me to refer her student because the student was always wearing a jacket even if it was scorching hot outside and because the adviser saw some wounds on her wrists. I called the student for her session; she was at first hesitant since she was not used to talking to other people about her feelings. As we were talking, she was slowly opening to me and telling me about her family matters which caused her to act that way. Since it was life-threatening, we referred her to a Guidance Counselor to be assessed and to be given an intervention. After a series of therapies, she started hanging out with her friends again, she would not wear a jacket, and she doesn't have new wounds on her wrists. She told me that she doesn't want to cut herself anymore because she found a new path in life. She added that she would follow my advice that instead of cutting her wrists, she should convey her feelings through art, which she was very good at. Seeing the change, I personally and professionally felt that for once in my life, I was able to contribute to someone's life being better. It may not be much for others but for me, seeing other people doing better because I helped is one of my goals in this lifetime.