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Virtual Living Essay

For my virtual living project, I knew since the first day he mentioned the project that I was going to be a pediatrician. I’ve always wanted to be a pediatrician, I think it’s because I like helping other people, I’ve always been a person that’s nice, outgoing and kind for some reason. For this career a person has to graduate High School, some classes are required. A student who wants to be a pediatrician also has to get a bachelor’s degree from four year college or university. I’ve also learned that after you leave your four year college you have to go to med school. And lastly, any doctor has to go to a residency or an internship which if you finish you are a licensed doctor. Starting from freshmen year high school to an Internship takes about 16 years, so high school is 4 years, college or university is 4 years, med school is 4 years, and residency/Internship can take from 3 to 8 years depending on the specialty.

Before researching about a pediatrician, I’ve always had a feeling that doctors made a ton of money. Its true, pediatrician makes more than a hundred grand a year which is about 8 thousand dollars a month. Learning about this made me happy because I’ve always wanted to be a doctor that makes good money. And doing this project helped me experience it. Looking at the net pay and gross pay didn’t really surprise me too much, because I knew that taxes were a lot.

From all the choices I made I didn’t change much. One thing I did that I liked was to share a house with two other people because it made my rent and made gas and electricity and all my other utilities way more cheaply, and from the money I saved from the rent I used to get a better car. My car I got was a BMW 328i two door convertible which cost about 27000 dollars. One thing I had to have was an iPhone because I personally think it’s the best phone out there, but my phone bill will end up being around 70 bucks a month.

Since I spent a lot of money on expenses and savings I wasn’t sure if I had enough money left to go out to the movies or go out to eat in a nice restaurant over from my salary so I waited until the end to see what I had left. After I finished everything I ended up having about two thousand dollars left over a month, which will probably end up being used for my outings.

I invested about 10 percent for my savings so if I ever needed money than I would have some extra. I chose this amount because I think it’s the perfect amount of money to save.

Since I first heard of the project I was really excited because I learned on what I would like to be when I’m older and what it feels to pay taxes and to pay rent and stuff like that. I really enjoyed doing this project and I am looking forward to doing a more specific project that were are doing our senor year which I know I will enjoy. I really don’t think we should or Mr. Thompson should change anything because the project is awesome how it is. I learned a lot from not just my project but from everyone elses projects.

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