

Who is your Role Model and Why?

When most people think of role models they immediately think of someone older than them. That older person is living your definition of a successful life and you want to model your life after theirs. I have thoughts like this, but according to The McGraw Hill dictionary: a role model is a person whose actions set an example or are copied by others. This being said I often find it hard to relate with elders past experiences considering how much times have changed. That is why my role model is only a couple of years older than me. He is living through the same time period as I am and going through many of the same difficulties I will. My role model is Nicholas Bruewer.

Being a couple years older than me, Nick went through and is currently going through many of the same events that I will be going through. Since the age difference is not huge, relating to these experiences is easy because they are modern day. For example: popularity is achieved differently now in schools then it was twenty years ago. Different clothes are in and so are different actions or activities. Well coming into high school without a role model you might believe that you have to spend a hundred bucks on a shirt and smoke a joint after school in order to be cool, but none of this is true. Nick showed me that the best thing to do is to be yourself. He showed me that crack is whack and it is okay to go to Khol's to do your clothing shopping.

Along with going through these experiences Nick also showed me how to face the challenges in life. First he showed me that no matter what you are going through always try to enjoy life to the fullest. If you are having a bad day, focus on one good thing to help you through. Next he showed me to accept the challenges and try to enjoy conquering them. Do not fight them because they will fight back and cause progression through the challenge to become more difficult. Third he showed that kindness goes a long way. When you go out of your way to be kind to someone they could come back later in life to

help you when you fall and are facing challenges in your life. Finally he showed me that you should always strive to be a leader. You want to be that role model for people, you want to help them. Not because it is cool or popular but because it is the right thing to do.

Because he is going through modern day challenges and faces challenges optimistically Nick Bruewer is my role model. He reminds me a lot of a tour guide walking me down the paths of life. He shows me which paths are dangerous to walk on and hard to get off and other paths that I will enjoy. Although many of the paths he himself has not yet toured, he has still gone down a few in his recent years that I have learned to navigate by watching him. God has a role model picked out for all of us and I am glad that he picked the one he did for me.