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Study in the American School: Interview with a student "Global Dialogue"

We have a big reason for pride

Our student Anastasia I liked this summer with the American School of Northfield Mount Hermon School (USA) and entered the university in the States! In September, Nastya began classes in the university, it is waiting for a saturated academic program and a lot of work on himself. And now, while she has a vacation, we managed to talk with her about studying and life in the United States. Nastya told how the learning process in Russia and states is distinguished, what is it

It is possible to be in the new learning environment and what a friendship is capable when you are so far from home.

Q: Nastya, where did you study in Russia before going to the American school and where did you get the desire to learn abroad?

A: To the American school, I studied at the usual secondary school number 54 in Chelyabinsk. To the idea of learning abroad, I was pushed by family friends who live in America for more than 10 years. They simply told about the advantages of life and study in America.

Q: Have you been to the States before?

A: We are in America with parents from a long time. Therefore, I was purposefully thought about studies there.

The first time I visited the states when I was 8 years old. I then professionally engaged in large tennis, and Dad decided to bring me to the famous tennis academy in Florida, which is called IMG. Since then, we have become flying to America every year for a couple of months in the summer. At first, the purpose of the trips were my workouts in this Academy, and later, when I have already stopped doing tennis professionally, we went to the same city, but just relax.

Q: You graduated from the American NMH school. Why it is

How did you choose an educational institution?

A: I applied initially in seven different schools. And entered everything! And then he chose NMH. In general, before submitting documents to schools, we traveled many of them.

And NMH liked the most. This school has a very beautiful campus, it is academically strong, there is a strong section of tennis, and there are many foreign students in it.

Q: How did you cope with the organization with such a responsible trip?

A: I was very worried, it was scary

For the first time I went to learn alone on such a long time. I have already had a similar experience when I drove to improve the knowledge of English in the language center in San Francisco for 4 months. However, then I lived in an American family and studied with the same foreigners as me. And this time I went to school, where the majority of students are Americans and lived in a hostel. It was necessary to collect a huge number of different documents, references, etc. To the wiping added also, the need not to miss important parts in the preparation. Here, the global dialogue helped me a lot, who throughout the receipt was with us in a continuous connection and helped with any organizational issues.

Q: What was at first to be in a new learning environment? How did you feel, was it quick to adapt?

A: Parents really helped me to talk to a new school. To do this, they went to America with me. I was mastered very quickly

Almost immediately joined the learning environment. In addition to me, NMH had several more Russian-speaking students, so we adapted to the new situation together and our friendship really helped us. At first, of course, I wanted back home, but when friends appeared, addictive to the new place of life and study was easier and rapidly.

Q: Tell me how different studies are different from the Russian school?

A: It is very different. From the style of teaching to a set of subjects studied. In addition, America is very easy to find contact with teachers and even become friends. We have always been called teachers by name and addressed them on any issue. Right in the dining room often we sat together with them and in a friendly atmosphere talked, laughed and discussed on different topics. And in America, the practical direction of learning is very noticeable.

Q: So learn was easier in such an environment or vice versa?

A: When you study in America, you feel more pressure and competitive spirit from classmates. Pupils seek to get a good assessment and enroll in the best university. In America and I myself treated learning very responsibly, so learn, of course, it was much more difficult than in the Russian school.

Q: You went to school in the USA just at the time of preparation for enrollment in the university. What program did you prepare for admission, how were the lessons, what are the exams?

A: Upon admission to an American university, it was necessary to pass SAT or ACT. I chose the second and was preparing for the textbooks that I bought myself. A consultant for universities helped me at school, which is appointed by every student of the school. His task

During both years of preparation

11 and 12 classes

Help with the choice and admission to the university.

Q: Now the school is behind, and in September you start studying in the US university. How are you now, after time, feel yourself in the US in comparison with your first arrival?

A: Yes, I entered the specialty of the nutritionist. And now I have to learn for another 4 years plus boarding school or two. When I came to school after the holidays, the excitement was already at all, I felt in my plate. But now, when the school is over and I have to go to the university, there is also the same excitement as in my first visit to school. You do not know what to expect whether you will enjoy there, you will find good friends.

A lot of new friends appeared at school. But unfortunately, at the end of study, everyone went and will learn in different states, and some

And at all in other countries. With many I continue to communicate and confident that someday I will ever see.

Q: Do you still have often in Russia? Surely you have friends here.

A: In Russia, I am three times a year: on the winter holidays (2 weeks), spring (2 weeks), and summer (3 months). With friends from Russia, I still in very good relationship, constantly calling out or rewriting and always seeing with them when I come home. Although Russian words are sometimes forgotten and it's hard for me to say something. But constant communication with parents and Russian-speaking friends in America does not allow to try to speak in their native language.

Nastya, thank you for paying us time and agreed to this interview! We are proud of your achievements, congratulate you on a successful enrollment in the university and wish you easily conquer even big vertices on the way to your goals!

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