

Elijah - Age 15

COVID-19 Journal Entry

The COVID-19 pandemic has been a shock to me and my family. The past 3-4 weeks in quarantine have been strange, but normalized. I love my family, and the pandemic has definitely strengthened my relationships with my siblings and parents. Normally, I would have had soccer or basketball practice 3-4 nights every week, and now that is all gone. Being stuck in my house has forced me to teach myself how to better workout from home. As most highschool kids do, I miss my friends and teachers. I want to joke around with my buddies, and learn in the classroom. This pandemic has taught me to appreciate all of the great people in my life, and to take nothing for granted. One thing that I've enjoyed is going on social-distanced walks through Beverly Hills with my grandparents. It is very strange to walk down Rodeo Drive with all the stores boarded up and no people or cars on the street. Although I am somewhat enjoying staying at home, I would like for the COVID-19 pandemic to die out, and my life to become regular again.