

Before My Eyes | A Poem of Hopes and Dreams for Your Future

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Before my eyes, I see a generation of
Curious innovators, gentle affirmers, and knowledgeable scholars
Who one day will impact this world in profound ways,
Exceeding everyone's expectations,
Blazing trails as leaders, inspiring people to not be followers.

While you are still young, your future
May not be something you can envision clearly as of yet
However, you can dream about succeeding in your field of choice,
Changing the world one decision at a time,
Starting with some sage advice to maintain a phenomenal mindset:

When people need someone, hopefully *you'll* be that person.
Sometimes, people really need words of kindness to move onward,
So hopefully you will be cognizant of when they are most needed.

Remember that you *will* make mistakes... we all have.
But hopefully you will resolve to embrace your failures,
Using every lesson as "fuel" to launch you down the path of success.

Understand your education will make you knowledgeable and wise,
Learn about the individuals in history whose decisions impact the way we live
today,
Open your mind to discussions about theories and debates.

There will be individuals who will come along and tell you that you cannot
achieve something.
They may berate, judge, and label you without a second thought.
But you need to prove that you are the author of your story, *not* them.

Don't change just because people don't accept some aspect of you.
Yet in the same respect, upgrade yourself to the best version you can possibly become,
With a genuine smile and wit, unparalleled charm and astounding talent.

Don't talk behind peoples' backs, because you wouldn't like it if they talked behind yours.
If you are critical, you may be viewed critically as well.
Focus on positive aspects about every person you meet and you will very much be admired.

Work beyond measure, even when it is not your favorite subject,
Respect the efforts of every teacher and understand each has a philosophy to drive you to succeed,
Your optimism and open-mindedness will get you very, very far.

This world is vast, so embrace creativity and individuality,
Setting aside times for you to envision the possibilities and innovate,
Thinking without boundaries, not worrying about the status quo, not expecting approval or applause.

Always resolve to follow your hopes and dreams,
Give every day your all, striving to be genuine, strong, and wise.
Seek your value, persevere relentlessly, and make a profound difference in this world.