

# Gator Gazette



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## ENMS ONLINE

### Annika Anderson

So far, my experience with online learning is that I don't really like it. I would rather be learning in person, in a classroom, with my classmates, but I do like that we are able to do things on our own time. Although I enjoy doing all my work on my own time, I don't really get things done. I procrastinate a lot and I'm not good with my time management, but it is something that I am working on. The best part about this whole online school thing is that I get to sleep in and not have to worry about being late to class.

During this quarantine there isn't a lot to do except watch Netflix and eat. I have watched at least three shows already and some had five seasons. I have also been taking this time to get in shape and also improve my basketball skills. Every day I work out and I go to training with my dad. We play basketball two times a week. My family and I have also been hanging out a lot more than we did before the quarantine; we've been playing games and have been having a family dinner mostly every night.

I am getting used to doing online school. This quarantine might be caused by a horrible thing, but it is giving us time to ourselves and to get away from society.



### Isabella Antunes

Due to the corona virus, I have been spending a lot of my time at home with no real social interaction. I have mostly filled my time on my phone using Snapchat and FaceTime to stay in contact with friends and family. I have also been helping my mom and dad with my little sister, due to them both being essential workers they are not home. This has come with extra cleaning and picking up around the house.

Online school has had me thinking about how much easier real life school is. It is so much easier to have more time to focus on school in school. There are less distractions and you are not occupied by everything around you. You only have to focus on work and participation. I found real school so much easier. You could get help easier too.

With all the free time, I have been putting it to good use. I have been running and exercising. I have been trying to eat better also. I have also been cooking and doing crafts with my little sister. I have put some time into teaching my sister to swim.



### Maddie Bell

My experience as an online learner has been hard and a little difficult to adjust to. While school and homework are pretty simple, online school is something we all have to get acclimated to. Not only is it hard to contact teachers and ask questions but some things are confusing and some students learn differently than others. Some students like learning by hearing, some prefer visuals, others prefer both, some even like hands-on where they can touch to learn, it just depends on the student and how they like to learn.

One issue is if students need extra help on their work in school there would be a teacher or administrator to assist the student, but with online school it's hard because it is easier to understand when someone is explaining to you in person.

Online school made me realize how much I miss school and how much easier school is, also in school you can do fun activities while online school it is a little challenging. Everyone is still adjusting to this change, but soon it will become a routine that we will be used to.

## Dayanna Avila

I honestly really miss going to school and seeing my friends. I never would have thought that all of that would just go away in the middle of this school year. Before leaving school for spring break I thought it is only going to be for about two weeks but then it went to four, then six, then so on and I wish everything could go back to how it was before Covid-19. Even though I get to stay up late and wake up at whatever time I want, it's not like I can go anywhere or see my friends, but at least I can be with my family and doggies.



My experience with being an online learner is okay but being in a public school like East Naples was just so much better for me. I get to do the work after my brother is done with his classwork and learn new things. Being an online learner is kind of easy but sometimes I'm like I will just do it tomorrow and then I have double the work for the next day. It was not like that in public schools for because in school I had a teacher in front of me and at my house, I have many other things that can entertain me other than online school. I basically learn better when there is an actual teacher teaching me in a classroom, then in my bed and a computer teaching me.

When I not being an online learner I usually just go on tic-tok, Netflix, or watch a movie on Disney+ with my dad and brother. The show I'm currently on Netflix is *The Flash* and I only need like four more episodes and it's a five season show, but I think they are making another season. *The Flash* is really good, and I would 100% recommend to anyone, I wasn't really a big fan about all those superhero movies, but I really think *The Flash* is a good show. I also sometimes watch YouTube when I get bored of Netflix and tic-tok. I wake up between 9-10 pm and sleep at 12-3am. I have a really bad sleeping schedule and when I go back to school, I'm going to have a hard time adjusting back into a normal sleeping schedule.

## Hira Azhar

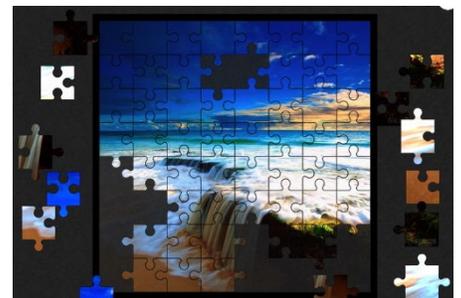
My experience as an online learner has been adequate. There have been times where I feel the need to be surrounded by people/friends. But then, there are other times where it feels nice to enjoy some alone time. Online school can sometimes be inconvenient and confusing but it also can save a lot of my time rather than to be stuck in school for eight long, painful hours. As an online school learner, it can be stressful sometimes because I may not understand an assignment and it can be hard to complete it. But I say, that the overall experience has been just fine! Although online school may sound great, it is not. It can be very confusing and stressful. A scenario I am afraid to face, is if my computer shuts down. If this happens and I'm not able to complete an assignment, I'll have to email a teacher for an extension. Which can lead to a very stressful week where I already have other assignments to complete as well. Also, when emailing a teacher, they may not be able to respond immediately. Which can lead to being stuck on an assignment for a while.

Online school does have some advantages. Online school can be more enjoyable than going to school because you can wake up at any time you want. Instead of waking up super early, I can wake up at my own time and have a peaceful fresh start to my day. And, not only that, instead of feeling obligated to go to school for eight hours, I'm able to start school at any time I'd enjoy. Which means I'm able to everything at a time that's best for me.

Since I'm able to wake up and do things in my own time, I have a lot more free-time on my hands. I'm able to now sit down and enjoy all the movies/shows I wanted to watch instead of working on homework or studying for a test a night before a tiring and early school day. I've been able to also spend more time with my family and also finally able to reorganize and declutter my room I've been telling myself to do for weeks!

This experience has made me reflect upon going to East Naples Middle School that I shouldn't take teachers for granted. I've now realized that teachers are helpful and we should learn to respect them more. Now that we aren't able to see them anymore, it's much harder to learn new things.

I have many things to do to keep me busy! Since most of us are at home with our families, we should do fun activities such as: board games, charades, watch a family movie or solving a puzzle. Another thing to do when you're bored is to find a new hobby like baking, skating, cooking, painting, or even reading! This can save you from major boredom and you'll get to try something new.



## Ava Bridenthal

At school there is always a teacher that you can ask questions at any time. With online school you have to email your teacher and it takes them a while to respond. I find Canvas hard to understand. One thing said to submit I would have to upload a file but my assignment was to watch a video.

An upside to online school is I can do it around my own schedule. I have the choice to do chores or schoolwork first. I can choose what time I wake up and go to sleep. I like getting a majority of my work done at once. I can do other days of work early and be done.

I have been watching Netflix in my free time. I watched both seasons of *All American*, it is based on a true story of a football player. Also, I stayed at friends houses a lot. During some of the days I have gone to my dad's house to play with my dogs and ride four-wheelers. We've gone on our boat a lot of the days and fished.

I would rather go to school than do online school because I find actual school easier. But you do have the freedom of doing anything and being anywhere with online school.



**Eshal Farhan**

My experience as an online learner has been a rollercoaster of emotions. The internet sometimes gets me upset and frustrated. Sometimes I just really need my friends. And there are moments where I enjoy the quiet. But most important, I've been able to spend quality time with my family.

Online school has many positives. One positive is that we can do our work at our own pace. That also means that we can start and end working whenever we want to. You can even try to complete all your assignments in two days! Another great pro about online school is that we can take breaks whenever we want. We can finally eat and go to the bathroom at any time! E-Learning also has many cons. One con is that you have to be on a device for a while. That leads to migraines and it's also bad for our eyesight. Another negative about online school is that the internet isn't always working well. A few days ago, my internet stopped working for two hours straight!

I have gotten to do many things I was saving to do over the summer. One was to declutter my whole room, which took me about three days to finish! And no, I did not procrastinate! Another thing was to watch most of the classical Disney movies on Disney Plus. I watched one movie every night for two weeks. I also used the paint I got on my birthday. Painting is very calming activity and I highly recommend you to do it! It's also very fun and you get to unleash your inner creativity.

## Monzerrat Cortes Loyola

Online learning has been a challenge and maybe a thrill. It has made most people appreciate being able to go to a public school. Having the freedom to see their friends. There are both pros and cons to this. Now everyone seems to be losing hope day by day and that really isn't what the world needs in a crisis like this.

On a daily basis I wake up around 8:30am and get ready to start my assignments. When I have free time, I watch movies most of the time with my family. Old movies that make us have conversations simply about life or about how we live in a world where times have drastically changed from years back. I've been able to grow closer with my family which I haven't been able to do in a while because every day after school I would do school work as soon as I got back home and now I complete everything earlier.

I've also gotten back into gymnastics and I normally do it at night which relieves my mind from earlier worries. A few things that can help keep people healthy both physically and mentally is listening to music as you work. Music is a peaceful thing that settles down your nerves and help you focus. Baking or cooking at home is also a fun idea to keep yourself busy and to make it better call a friend and do it with them virtually! In the morning move around and do stretches, start off the day slow by giving yourself time for self-care. Although you may feel bored out of your mind and the last thing you want to do is read a book I highly suggest doing so or at least listening to an audio book. Painting something can help someone become engaged into what they may be doing, and one of the greatest feelings as a painter is being so very happy with the final result. Keep in mind now is the time to learn what you enjoy and find out what your hidden talent is. Do something you've always wanted to do and add things onto a bucket list for the future to keep positive thoughts.

## Sophie Scherer

Elearning has been a new experience for all of us. I work best on schedules so I have developed my own schedule. I wake up at 7 am and go for a run or do yoga until 7:45. I then shower and get dressed for the day until 8:30, clean my room and eat breakfast and start school at 9. I usually take my break at 11 for lunch and work until 4 or 5 pm depending on the day, recently I can't focus so I've been working till 10 or 11 pm. I don't like online school, but I've been trying to make the best of it. It is not too much work but it takes a very long time. I like the online classes with my teachers, but I find it's not as fast paced as I usually work, it's nice to have social interaction. I feel I can't produce the same quality work as fast. I'm grateful testing is cancelled because I would have bombed them. I'm glad we have such a supportive ENMS family.

I miss my friends and school. I never liked school but now I am very grateful because I know many kids don't have the privilege, I have to receive such a good education. I miss my teachers and now I realized I work so much better with teachers.

Online school has been really hard for me, some days I lose motivation really easily. It's really stressful, it's been a wake-up call about how easy real school is and how I should work harder. I miss all my teachers and couldn't imagine the stress they are under. I hope everyone stays safe.

## Erica McMillan

Being an online learner has taught me many things and changed the way I feel about going to school. I personally enjoy working in an online space, whereas the benefits are helpful for my learning. Some of the benefits are free access to the internet. This can help with research and questions that you need to have answered. It also allows you to bend your classes in your own schedule and teaches you responsibility. Although there are many benefits, I have seen many cons to online learning as well. For example, online learning does allow you to bend your classes to your schedule, which can also lead to procrastination. Due to the fact that no one is there to supervise you and ensure that you are doing your work. I do enjoy online classes, but I personally prefer face-to-face learning better. I am a visual learner, and I like the company of others. It also prevents me from procrastinating during classes. I've had a lot of free time. Lately, I've been making calls with friends where we talk and play video games. We play games such as Minecraft, Roblox, and more. When we get bored of this, we watch movies together on Netflix. On Netflix I love the drama-romance shows like Grey's Anatomy. I usually do not watch anything but drama-romance but I changed it up a bit during quarantine. I decided to start watching anime again. I haven't watched any for a while, which made it seem new. Some animes I am watching are Haikyū! (about volleyball), Kuroko no Basket (about basketball), and Banana fish (about fighting). I also like to study in my free time. When I grow up, I want to become a Neuro or cardio thoracic surgeon, so I tend to look up diseases and study them like acute delirium, Alzheimer's, Jakob-Creutzfeldt syndrome, and more. I also studied how to do a vertical mattress stitch on my suture kit. I would like to pursue this dream and work in the OR and be one of the best surgeons in the world.

While those are my own personal hobbies, you may have your own way of doing things. When bored you can do try new things you have never done before. Some things you can do are draw, write, listen to music, sleep, sing, dance, go for a run, exercise, clean and more. You can always find something to do!

## Sommer Oleski

Online school has definitely not been an easy thing to do at home. Most of my teachers are giving out more work than they normally would in school, I think they assume that since we are quarantined, we should do more work. We don't have enough energy or motivation to do all this work, school work is so much easier in school when you're around friends and teachers that help you. Your whole day is also already planned out technically, all your periods, lunch, and when you get home you do some home work and then time to yourself.

There has been work that I haven't completed or turned in late. It's just so much to worry about and so much to do and have on your plate, having your teachers face to face to help you and talk to is so much more enjoyable. Students have never done this before

and we are not in the mood to do work considering we can't see our friends.

Personally, I have been watching shows on Netflix and I've downloaded many games on my phone to help pass the time. Also, since soccer is closed for me, I want to start running to keep in shape and not be so bored, but I just don't know where any good running places are. In general, I'm still pretty bored without my friends, but at least some school work isn't too harsh and gives me something to do, but I still don't enjoy it.

## Christopher Ortiz-Bautista

My experience as an online learner has been great so far. It is easy because you know when to submit an assignment. It is also very easy to do homework online. I like it because it is like a real classroom, you can ask teachers questions when you don't understand something. I think online classes are better than real classes because you can make your own schedule. Instead of doing 7 hours of work at one time, with online classes you can wake up in the morning and do 2 hours of work, then go eat, you can watch TV after that, maybe take a nap, and then you can finish the rest of your work.



During my free time, I do many things like play *Call of Duty* or *Minecraft* on my computer. Playing video games kills time and next thing you know; 3 hours have gone by. If I don't feel like playing video games then I usually go on YouTube or watch a show. I recently finished a show called *The Rain*. I liked it because it is really entertaining and full of so many mysteries waiting to be discovered. The show is in Danish and I learned 2 Danish words by watching the show. I learned Undskyld which means excuse me and Farvel which means goodbye. I finished the show so far and I'm waiting for the next season. If I don't feel like doing anything then I just go to sleep. I wake up and go back to work, if I don't feel lazy.

There are many things you can do to keep yourself occupied. One of the things you can do is clean. If you are bored, then you might as well clean your room and house. If you don't want to do that then you can play video games, read a book, exercise, DIY projects, watch TV, do your homework earlier so you don't have to do things later on in the weekend, or just sleep.

## Josue Quiros

Online school for me so far has been pretty difficult, as I have barely been able to keep track of my assignments, I do my assignments and try to keep others in mind but I end up forgetting them. I do like that lunch time can be any time while doing work. But sometimes the teachers are a little bit difficult and confusing. The hardest class for me has been Journalism because I keep forgetting it exists when I do my online classes and I need to get used to this. Right now, I am writing this on April 7th, 2020 and finishing it the same day because I know I will forget about it as soon as I exit out of it. That just reminded me, I never turned in the penguin article which I am going to do right after this if I don't forget or get lazy! US History is another difficult class because Mrs. Abalos tells us what to do and expects us to know how to do the assignment, and to be honest I still do not know how to do it so I know that is going to be a big problem for me.

In my free time, what I have been doing is just playing video games and watching Netflix, I also have not gone outside in over a month and have not gotten any sunlight, I am starting to miss the daylight, maybe I'll have to write a diary so if this becomes a huge event in history, my



diary gets published all around the world and remembered through the future so kids can then learn how 2020 was a great year. I have been playing just a few video games this break, just *Minecraft*, and *Fortnite*.

As for my family during quarantine, my parents still go to work and, occasionally I get to go outside when they come back at night and help bring the bags of groceries in. My grandparents also moved in with us during these hard times and we have been making sure to wash our hands and keep ourselves clean because of COVID-19. I'd say due to the causes of COVID-19, my life has been, let's say...changed, and negatively, it has just gone downhill and I am just stuck in my house and there is barely anything to do and it is the same thing every day, I want to say that I wish COVID-19 never existed.



## Pedro Ramirez

Generally, I did not expect to be kept indoors for so long. Online school has been a new experience, nor is it hard work. I'm glad we have online school to continue learning, it has caused many changes to my life like my parents being more aware of my grades, but my school district allowed online school, so I am lucky to continue my education. Online school has been easy, but since I am home it makes me feel like I should just slack off. Online school is harder to bring your grade up, but I have learned that you have a whole week to do your work.



Being indoors really makes me one think, I have done things I have never done previously and it's all out of boredom. I feel you should know how to cook before you turn on the stove, but I just went for it and now think I could compete in a Gordon Ramsey show! Although I might have just a few dozen burn marks. On the bright side of the situation I do get to spend more time with my family rather than them being at work. I also helped out my brother in his online



school learning and we played some Jenga, and you already know, I won! I went through some of my old stuff in my room which I recommend doing and found some board games, so I played them because I was bored. I played "Throw Throw Burrito" and some "Monopoly". Overall, my free time is me doing things I have not done in a while or have never done.

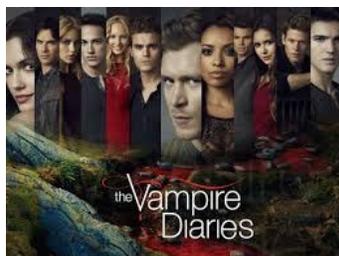
I do not like watching tv, nor do I like playing video games, I have almost completely distanced myself from technology and tried to focus on other things. I have done some DIY's and tried to get back into my old habits. I tried teaching my mom how to draw and she drew her first minion! I also tried learning a new language that apparently my whole family knows, for right now I am saying words, but I'm getting there. I recommend challenging yourself, currently I am trying to practice drawing more and working on creating my own language. Spend more time with your family if you can because this is the most time I have spent with my family.

### **Sarah Ramos**

My experience as an online learner has been very hard and I didn't realize how easy it is to get behind. All of the work is the same except it seems as if everything is more difficult. Even though I thought that it would be easy and a nice change I've noticed that I miss going to school and being able to focus. Every day is a struggle to get out of bed and get started on work especially since we didn't have this much work in school. Not to mention my sleep schedule is totally messed up and the days just fly by especially since we can't go outside and do anything. Staying home has been very unhealthy since I can't play volleyball and get enough exercise. This month I was supposed to get my scuba diving license and do some volleyball tournaments and now it looks like it is never going to happen. It is scary to think that we are not going to step foot in middle school again and this could even cancel our summer plans.

My days consist of waking up around one and getting to work around two then I would work until five or six and take a break. Though I always have remaining work after dinner I never get to it. I usually procrastinate for a couple of hours and look at the time and see that it is five in the morning.

Even when I try to go to sleep I can't because I'm usually up all night watching *Vampire Diaries* a new series that I am almost done with. Watching Netflix is the only thing I've been doing in my free time and this show is messing me



up. I think I've cried five times already and I don't know what I am going to do with myself when it ends. So much so that I've thought about not watching the ending because I don't think I'll be able to handle it. Right when a problem is resolved a bigger one appears and I hope this quarantine ends before I finish the show.

Even though this whole situation is terrible it comforts me to know that everyone is going through the same thing and there is nothing we can do about it. I have to look at this as a great opportunity to spend time at home and make plans for when this is over. Personally, I was such a

homebody but now I know the importance in spending every day to the fullest and the importance of getting out of the house. Now I regret staying home then doing things so a great lesson can come out of this. Not to mention homework will seem a lot easier to finish after this is all over which was something that I struggled with. In the end, we are all going to come out as better people with knowledge that we wouldn't have if this hadn't happened.

### **Devyn Waite**

My experience as an online learner has been interesting, to say the least. I'd say I prefer regular school, though, mostly because I've realized I'm awful at time management. I usually wake up at about noon, shower, have lunch, and start working at about 1:30pm. I'm always distracted by my phone or the TV, so I much prefer going to school early in the morning and working without distractions. Canvas is really difficult to use. It doesn't help that my computer is super slow.

In my free time, I've been doing as much as I can while not leaving my house. I sleep a lot. I listen to a lot of music and usually have Spotify on until my earbuds run out of battery. I'm watching a lot of TV shows. I binged the entirety of *The Office*, again, which is always a fun show. Then I started watching *Community* and *Tiger King*. *Community* is really, really funny (and somehow better than *The Office*), and *Tiger King* is interesting so far, the first episode doesn't show much (it just shows Joe Exotic and his life as a zookeeper) but it supposedly gets a lot crazier. I also watched a ton of movies during quarantine, my favorite probably being *Joker* so far (even though I've seen it three times now).

I kind of want this quarantine to be over, though. The only place I'm going to is Publix. I'm really introverted so I assumed that this quarantine would be fun, but it's just lame and boring and I want to go back to having a normal life. I hope this is over before summer starts but I doubt it will. The thing is, usually I stay indoors for the whole summer while my parents are at work, but it wasn't ever as unbearable since I had the option to leave, and I could have fun on the weekends and stuff. I can't do that during the quarantine. It was fun for the first two weeks, and now the most fun thing that happens is going to Publix!

### **Aidan Zamora**

So pretty much one day, I'm enjoying myself in school, then the next day, I'm in quarantine because of a national pandemic. Well, usually what I do in my free time is either play games with my friends, for example Minecraft and many other more games. Another thing I do in my free time is to watch videos on YouTube because many Content Creators on YouTube are posting way more often because of the pandemic we're in and they have nothing other better to do. Or if I just feel lazy, I sleep during the whole day or stay up the whole night and ruin my sleep schedule. Before school starts, I'm going to try to fix my sleep schedule!

So, after talking about me, it's time to talk about how you can stay safe from the Coronavirus and stay safe from the pandemic. First things first, keep up your basic hygiene: daily washing your hands, clean your room, take a shower at least once every day and that's it. Also, to stay safe from the Coronavirus, please do not go outside, and please DO NOT go buy toilet

paper. One day, the Coronavirus will be gone, and you'll be sitting in your house with enough toilet paper to pass it on to the next generation. With basic hygiene and staying inside, you should have a very low chance of catching COVID-19.

Time to talk about my experience as an online learner. First thing about being an online learner is that you can do a certain assignment anytime you want as long you finish it by the due date. But, the bad thing about that is that it encourages procrastination which can become a habit and when school starts, more people will continue procrastinating. Another cool thing about being an online learner is that if you really love technology then online school is fun because you can be on your computer the whole day doing not only **not** educational stuff but also **real** educational stuff. But, if you're a person that can't type that fast and you don't know your way around technology, then online school is probably going to be a pain.



Gabby Valespino

My online school experience has been quite challenging. I don't really do much since we are stuck in quarantine during a pandemic. I have re-watched some of my favorite shows on Netflix. I am starting to create my school schedule. I really enjoy going on my phone and doing workouts and running around my neighborhood. I'm trying not to be a little coach potato so I have been trying to be motivated and focused.

My mom has kittens and I love going over to my mom's and playing with them and swimming in the pool. This is now the perfect time to go outside and get a nice tan.

My best friends live in the neighborhood so we go biking and swimming. One lives right across the street from me, so we stick notes in each others mailbox like an exciting movie. I really enjoy doing my makeup and getting ready. There isn't an apparent reason why I do this... just to kill the time...

Adraina Dotres

Although at first school being cancelled, fun places closing, and having to stay inside, was really difficult, I'm beginning to adapt to it more and more each day. Overall, I've gotten to get closer with family members, taken more time to read, and have realized to never take simple things, like hanging out with friends and school being open for granted. Staying inside has been hard, but I'm enjoying the time with my family and doing my best to stay productive. To other students who are bored, I would say to try watching a new show, or do something that you typically wouldn't have time for during the school year like starting a journal or cleaning your closet.



Doing online school at first was really difficult. On the first day I felt very overwhelmed at all of my assignments and didn't know what to do first. Once I sat down and looked at everything that I had to do, I realized that as long as I worked hard and managed my time, I would get it done. Around the end of the first week of online school, I started to finish up my assignments for the week and realized that I was finally getting the hang of things. Right now, I definitely do have a lot of work, but I know how to manage my time. I like to wake up around seven to eight and get a good start on my work. I like doing this because it helps me get my work done earlier so I can relax the rest of the day.

Besides doing school, I've been keeping busy with a number of things. Right now, I'm reading a really good book called American Royals. It's a story about what life would be like in America if George Washington had become king instead of president. It follows his descendants, the royal family, as the future queen, Beatrice, prepares to step into her role. I'm really interested in the books because I like to learn about England's royal family, and this book is a fantasy version of that, but based off of a royal family in America. Another thing that I really like about American Royals, is that it's set in four different perspectives; Beatrice, the future queen of America, Samantha, Beatrice's younger sister, Nina, Samantha's best friend, and Daphne, a former friend of the Royal Family. After I finish American Royals, I'll probably read another fantasy novel.

Other than reading, I've been watching the Office with my dad. I really enjoy watching the Office because it's a show that's really funny and I always laugh watching it. It has a simple plot line; a group of workers in an office, but it's a lot much more than that. All the characters are really funny and my favorite would have to be Dwight. This is because he takes a lot of things that don't need to be taken seriously, seriously, and I find that really funny. Right now, me and my dad are on season five, and I'm really excited to keep watching it.

Even though many places are closed, I've found it nice to go outside a lot. My little brother and I have started to bike ride around the neighborhood. I really like to ride because I'm able to get some fresh air, have fun, and get good exercise. My mom has also taken me and my two brothers out to our neighborhoods basketball court to play basketball. It is really fun because I get to spend time with my brothers and move around. It's been hard being stuck inside, so whenever I get the chance to go out, I do. Recently, me, my dad and my older brother have started to go outside after dinner and throw around a frisbee. I have fun doing this because it's really nice outside and the suns just setting. When I'm not playing frisbee I like to skateboard up and down the parking lot. I'm really



happy that I've started skateboarding again because I used to do it after school last year, but then just stopped. To me, skateboarding is scary right when I get on, but once my feet start moving, I'm fine. After going outside, me, my dad and my brother will go back inside and usually play a game. We've recently started playing Texas Holdem -poker- and I really enjoy it. One time I had a really bad set of cards, but because I bluffed and placed my bid higher, I was able to win the game! I feel like staying inside more has made me, my dad and my brother become even closer.

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