



Debbie Cabrera started in our Virtual Program at the beginning of the second semester. The first semester of her 10th grade year found Debbie cutting classes, skipping school, making poor decisions and disappointing her family. She had lost the trust and respect of her mom and those close to her warned of the consequences if her behavior did not change. Debbie's behavior did not change and she was suspended from school and sent to our virtual program as an alternative. Debbie began working on 10th Grade NovaNet courses and in a short period of time found herself motivated to make something of herself. "By going to Nova-Net I realize the mess that I was in and it motivated me to reach my full potential and I still believe that I've yet to reach" "My mother became proud of me and I started to gain her trust back again which lead to her giving me more freedom".

The personalization NovaNet provides and the support of a classroom teacher was all Debbie needed to get back on track. She was able to work at her pace, get remediation as needed and celebrate the successes of finishing modules and courses faster than possible during a regular school year. Debbie has transformed from a follower into a self-motivated learner that will positively shape her life for years to come.

The Essay Debbie submitted for the NovaNet "Off the Hook" Essay contest was the Grand Prize winner out of over 300 essays submitted nationwide. She received a new HP Laptop, mouse and software, as well as, a gift certificate to celebrate dinner with her family.