



## **JOSHUA APPARICIO**

*Compassion and kindness through education is power – maintain your power*

**People should choose to have me speak because I can captivate my audience with facts and information they can actually apply to their lives.**

### **3 Takeaways**



**Apply yourself to your studies to strengthen your future.**



**Do not be deterred from realizing their dreams.**



**Use hardships or negative experiences as fuel to apply your day and start a movement.**



## Bio

My Name is Joshua Apparicio, President of the *Be Strong Student State Representative Program*, a non-profit organization on the mission to eradicate bullying. I am 12 years old in the 8th Grade and on the Honor Roll with a GPA of 4.0. I am homeschooled, taking 9th Grade AG Algebra I and AG Literacy/Comprehension, testing at 12.8 grade level classes, pending early promotion. I have been a published poet ever since I was 7 years. The last poem I had published was, "Hello Earth, Eco-Friendly here I am-2017." I believe I have a very bright future ahead of me. I am a member of the National Junior Honor Society. As a leader, my integrity and honesty are key characteristics. I would like to continue working together with my peers, as we form a stronger bond than ever before, on creating an inclusive societal equilibrium. I've used negative experiences as tools to propel me in my studies. As an excellent leader for my generation, I don't believe I have to give up who I am. I will continue to invest in myself applying what I've been taught to date, to ensure a much brighter tomorrow. I have received a few awards and or recognition for my academic diligence: Certificate of Excellence Commendation, Recognition of Outstanding Achievement, The City of Inglewood Commendation, City Treasurer's Student Intern Program, Exceptional Education Achievement Award, National Junior Honor Society Member and Winner of the Martin Luther King Speech Contest, "We are Better Together: Realizing the Dream."

## References

Joshua has won numerous speech contests and awards for his academic achievements, but the biggest accomplishment that he has achieved in his short life, is his commitment to being a good person. He carries himself with grace and confidence. He has learned to overcome many challenges. He wants to make a difference in the world. He has taught me the importance of believing in yourself.

**Dr. Marzella Brown**  
Veteran Educator

Witnessing Joshua captivate an audience of 5,000+ of his peers was a moment I will never forget. Without prompting, the audience said "Good Morning, Joshua" after he welcomed the audience with "Good Morning." That made it clear to me, the room was with him and he was controlling it, at 11 yrs. old.

**Ashleigh E. Cromer**  
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