



Senior Spotlight- Sofia

I was born in Grand Cayman, but my dad was born in Australia and my mom was born in Costa Rica. However, a lot of my dad's family is from Jamaica and Cayman. I have two younger brothers, Curtis who is in 9th grade and Noah who is in 1st grade they both attend CIS. I have only ever lived on Grand Cayman for all 17 years of my life. CIS is the first school I ever attended, however during hurricane Ivan I moved to Grace with a couple of other CIS students for a couple of months then I moved back to CIS. I have been at CIS since I was 4 years old so around 14 years. I like to think I am a very adventures, sporty person, and an adrenaline junkie. I play four sports soccer, volleyball, basketball, and tennis as well as playing the guitar. One of my best personality traits is that I am a very outgoing person who is willing to try anything life throws at me, like if my friends asked me to go skydiving or bungee jumping I would be down in a heartbeat. I recently did a 250 foot swing, which is probably the craziest thing I have done but super fun. My worst personality trait would be my pickiness, I am very picky when it comes to food as all my friends know. I am such an open book but something that people might not know about me is that when I was little I wanted to become a pediatrician because I love kids and I wanted to make a difference in some way. However, coming into high school and really looking into becoming a doctor, reality hit me and that would not be the best profession for me.

- **What is your taste in music? Favorite song of all time, favorite at the moment? Why?**

- My favorite song at the moment would be “Moments” by Bliss n Eso (feat. Gavin James). My Australian cousin Kaylum introduced me to this song while he was down on island visiting. This song I find has such a powerful message and really does reflect on my life today as I am senior heading off to college soon. “Moments” reflects on the precious moments that everyone has had while growing up before your life becomes complicated such as your first kiss, memories in the first house you lived in, first time in love, etc. It is really about remembering and appreciating those moments that shaped who you have become today. My favorite lyrics in the song are, “They say time is precious and there is no going back. If I could only unfreeze this photograph and dive in the windows of my eyes to feel how I felt. Inside right in that moment in time I’d bring it all back to life”. Most of the lyrics in the song I find so powerful and it really evokes sadness and happiness everytime I listen to this song because it reminds me of the happy times I have had such as spending time with my best friend who lives in Miami, playing in sports tournaments, and spending time with my family. It really does remind me to live in the moment and not take anything for granted as time goes fast and you will not be able to travel back in time to that moment. That



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is why I am going to take advantage of every single day of senior year before I go off to college because I will never be able to come back to this time.

- **What activities do you enjoy outside of school?**
 - There are a number of activities that I enjoy outside of school like playing sports such as volleyball, soccer, or basketball with either my brother or a club. I also enjoy spending time with friends and going out, learning new songs on my guitar and ukulele, reading, skateboarding, as well as doing water sports and boating.

- **You're about to walk the green mile, what do you have as your last meal?**
 - A burger with fries and a passion fruit from MacDonaldis, do not associate this with Mcdonald's they are both totally different. They have the best burgers and I totally recommend going if you have not.

- **If you could have any superpower, what would it be? Why?**
 - To teleport to different places and different times in my life. I have lots of family around the world as my dad's Australian and my mom's Costa Rican, I have never been to Australia and have not been to Costa Rica since I was really little so I don't really remember it. I also have a lot of friends around the world, mostly meeting them at sports tournaments. So being able to travel around the world to see my family and friends would be a really cool ability. Also, I would like to teleport to a different time in my life to relive moments that I would never get to relive again.

- **What are your plans after you graduate from CIS?**
 - After I graduate from CIS, I plan on going to university somewhere in Florida and majoring in International Business Management with a minor in Hospitality. I don't really know what career I want to pursue but I really want to end up working with kids in the future. I plan on still playing volleyball or soccer, either varsity or intramural depending on the college. I will always come back to Cayman after I graduate from CIS as my whole family still lives here and both my brothers still attend this school. My littlest brother is in first grade, so I will be visiting CIS a lot as he still has a long way to go!