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I still remember the day when my father dropped me off at a new school for my sophomore year. The last thing he said to me was “Enjoy it. These are the best years of your life”. I still remember his words but unfortunately I find it really hard to adjust in a completely different environment and culture. JOINING A NEW SCHOOL DURING SOPHOMORE YEAR TURNED OUT TO BE A BIG DISAPPOINTMENT FOR ME, BUT I STILL LEARNED A LOT FROM SUCH EXPERIENCE.

Although I still remember the words of my father, but unfortunately, I failed to enjoy good moments at a new school. Based on my experience, I learned that words and actions have totally different meanings. The words of my father were based on a hope that a person enjoys the most during his school years, but at the same time it is important to remember that a sudden change in environment brings a serious setback to one’s “enjoyment”.

As a matter of fact, I gave outstanding performance at my old school. I always scored “A” grade throughout the academic year. The main reason behind the good performance was the cooperative behaviour of my classmates and teachers. My old classmates always helped me out in solving different academic and personal life problems. Such cooperative culture had left a positive impact on my overall academic performance at old school.

But as I joined new school during sophomore year, I felt that all students were already working in the form of groups. Due to lack of proper guidance and support, I was unable to adjust myself in the new environment. My father again advised me to “Stay confident. Nothing is difficult to

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achieve in this world". Based on his statement, I once again gathered all of my courage to show up my abilities and skills to the world.

Apart from adjusting myself to the new environment, I find it really hard to give the best academic performance like before. Although I put a lot of struggle in showing good academic grades, but I failed to do so. I got failed in a total of three subjects. It was one of the most embarrassing moment of my life.

Apparently, I thought to shine as an intelligent and outstanding student, but unfortunately I failed to prove my abilities and skills at a new place. Moreover, due to my extrovert personality, I always tend to perform best when I get due support from my classmates and teachers. At new school, I remained deprived of all such support and care, as a result of which my academic performance was adversely affected.

It was 10th September 2016, when I got the result for one of my major subject. I scored the lowest marks among all students. The journey of failure continued and I continually got failed in other subjects as well. It was one of the biggest disappointment in my academic life. I felt that new enrolment during sophomore year was one of the biggest mistakes of my life.

Even though I was highly disappointed with my academic grades at new school, but still I did not lose hope. On 24th March 2017, I went to take the result of my final semester. I was shocked to see that I got failed in two of the major subjects. Again one of old friend said, "Keep on trying and you will gain success one day". It boosted m confidence level to an elevated level.

Apart of getting failed in compulsory subjects, I did not enjoy learning anything in elective courses. Rather than studying these subjects, I might have preferred to do something creative like artistic

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work. But unfortunately, I had to move along with the same subjects because I was in sophomore year and I had to complete my degree at any cost.

At new school, my failure was not particularly limited to the academic results, rather it was extended to the extracurricular activities. Initially, I thought that I would shine as a new girl on handball team but there were a lot of other students who gave a better performance than me. Moreover, I did not enjoy running for longer hours during the game. Once again, I felt that I was a loser.

According to my point of view, the main reason behind my failure was the lack of interaction with my classmates. Even if I got absent due to some reason, no one was ready to give me his notes on next day of the school. All students were intelligent, but they never had a sense of positivity in them. All students were busy in doing their own work. They show little or no concern towards the new comers.

As I was highly disappointed, one of my old friend said “Don’t lose hope. We all are here to support you. Be confident and put all of your efforts to do your best”.

Even though I was completely lost, but I trusted the words of my old friends. They all proved to be really helpful in difficult times of my life.

With the continuous support of my old friends, I was able to show up good grades in all of the failed subjects. It was one of the happiest moment of my life. It ended up with a humbling experience, even though I will always remember all of the difficult moments that I spend during sophomore year.

It was one of the biggest mistake to get myself enrolled in a new school during sophomore year, but it completely changed my personality. After four years, I came out as a better person, but I was

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obviously disappointed in how the entire experience did not liv up to my unrealistic expectations. The entire experience has become a lesson for my whole life. It enabled me to learn that one should strive hard to achieve his goals. Relying on others or expecting something from others is one of the biggest mistakes that completely ruins your life.

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