

As a graduating senior from Christopher Columbus High School, I have many things to be grateful for: amazing teachers, lifelong friends, and unforgettable moments. However, one aspect of high school that left such an impactful mark on my life was my involvement with CCNN Live. CCNN Live is our school's broadcasting network. I was honored to not only be one of the main members of the club's competition team, but also the President and Head of Sports. As the President of the club, I was responsible for holding everybody accountable of their work and journalistic integrity, making sure the underclassmen are receiving the knowledge myself and the teachers were imparting on them, and ultimately leading the team to victory amongst several conventions. Although our competition year was cut short due to complications with COVID-19, we had an immensely successful year. Furthermore, as the Head of Sports, I was tasked with making sure that every sporting event, home or away, was being live streamed and reported on. Whether I was holding a microphone on the sidelines or commentating the stream, I attended every single football and basketball game.

Although a lot of my time as a senior in the club was spent imparting knowledge on others and leading the team, I also learned a lot during my four years as a member. I learned several aspects of production, such as operating DSLRs, editing packages, and even color correcting. However, I feel as if the most important thing I learned was how to be a true journalist. I was taught in my early years to always report the truth, with no bias whatsoever. This is something that I hold dear to my heart, as I felt personally responsible with delivering the news to my fellow classmates every morning through our daily show. I also made sure to follow this golden rule when I was out reporting on major events such as protests and marches. For example, as a sophomore in CCNN Live, I was given the opportunity to create a documentary with students from Marjory Stoneman Douglas on the March for our Lives movement.

<https://youtu.be/6NQdFOK6b-U>

This package was created during the summer entering my senior year on the rising Farm to Table movement. I completely edited, shot, wrote, and anchored this piece. I earned several awards and recognition for this package, including a scholarship for college.

https://youtu.be/BY3galk_Z-4

This package was a sports profile on a multi-sport student-athlete that attended Christopher Columbus High School. Following a controversial play during a lacrosse game his junior season, Luther Johnson was suspended for the rest of his high school career, putting his Ivy League scholarships in danger. This piece specifically chronicles his journey to get back on the field.

<https://youtu.be/Scvp-QFC5PY>

This package was created during the State Championship football game in December. This piece was especially difficult to execute, as we rushed to get interviews at the end of the game from BOTH sides.

<https://youtu.be/Tq3qBr0Xnf8>

This is my senior year talent demo reel. This demo reels aims to capture my best on-air moments throughout the entirety of my senior year.

<https://youtu.be/HN9SzDEScxo>

This piece is definitely one of my favorite ones that I have created throughout my four years at CCNN Live. This piece is a profile on the “plane spotting” community that one of my best friends is a part of. My crew and I traveled to Atlanta, New York, and Orlando over the course of two month to film this package.