

## **KEEP YOUR DREAMS**

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HI MY NAME IS ELLE AND THIS IS THE STORY ABOUT THE TIME OF ME HAVING BIG DREAMS.SO,I'M LIKE EVERY OTHER KID,I HAD A DREAM.MY DREAM WAS TO BECOME A HOLLYWOOD ACTRESS AND APPEAR IN MOVIES THAT PEOPLE WILL LOVE.I BELIEVED THAT I COULD ACHIEVE THAT GOAL.WITH HARD WORK AND DEDICATION IN SCHOOL,I BELIEVED THAT I COULD DO IT.AT ONE POINT,PEOPLE TOLD ME TO JUST GIVE UP YOU'LL NEVER MAKE IT,THAT I'M NOT PRETTY ENOUGH FOR HOLLYWOOD.PEOPLE WHO SAID ALL OF THOSE MEAN THINGS ACTUALLY MODIVATED ME TO DO BETTER AND I JUST IGNORED THOSE PEOPLE.MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS ARE MY BIGGEST SUPPORTERS.MY PARENTS DO EVERYTHING THEY CAN TO HELP ME.MY FRIENDS GIVE ME ADVICE ON HOW TO MAKE MY PERFORMANCES BETTER.I TAKE THIER ADVICE BECAUSE I KNOW THEY ARE TRYING TO HELP ME.ONE NIGHT ALL OF A SUDDEN I JUST PASS OUT ON THE FLOOR.MY MOM RUSHES UPSTAIRS TO CHECK ON ME.SHE CHECKS MY PULSE AND CALLS 9-1-1 RIGHT AWAY.THAT NIGHT I WAS RUSHED TO THE HOSPITAL AND THAT'S WHEN I FOUND OUT I HAD A TUMOR IN MY BRAIN.I WAS VERY DEVASTATED TO FIND THAT OUT AND MY PARENTS STARTED SOBBING VERY HARD.MY BEST FRIEND WAS WITH ME IN THE ROOM TO COMFORT ME TELLING ME "ITS GOING TO BE OK"AND I SHOOK MY HEAD YES.THE DOCTOR CAME INTO THE ROOM AND SAID I NEED TO HAVE SURGERY TO REMOVE THE TUMOR.MY PARENTS AGREED AND THE DOCTOR SAID IT NEEDED TO TAKE PLACE TOMMOROW.THE NEXT DAY ROLLED AROUND AND I HAD MY SURGERY SCHEDULED AT SIX IN THE MORNING.TWO HOURS LATER,THE DOCTOR TOLD MY PARENTS THAT THE SURGERY WAS A SUCCESS AND THAT I WILL BE RELEASED IN A WEEK.MY PARENTS WERE ECSTATIC AND SO WAS I.ONE WEEK ROLLED AROUND QUICKLY AND I WAS RELEASED AND RIGHT AWAY I STARTED PRACTICING THE THING I LOVED THE MOST,ACTING.THE DOCTOR TOLD ME I SHOULDN'T OVER EXERT MYSELF AND THAT MY HEAD STILL NEEDS TO RECOVER.SO I JUST SAT AND READ MY FAVORITE BOOK AND WENT TO MY WEEKLY CHECK-UPS.UNTIL THE DAY OF MY FINAL CHECK UP THE DOCTOR FINALLY SAID THAT I CAN GO BACK TO MY NORMAL LIFE.I WAS CRYING WITH JOY I WAS SO HAPPY.I STARTED TO TEXT MY FRIEND SAM AND SHE TEXTED ME THIS"FROM SAM:DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE SCHOOL PLAY AUDITIONS ARE HAPPENING TOMMOROW"AND I TEXTED HER BACK THIS"FROM ELLE:OMG NO WAY WHY DIDN'T YOU TELL ME THIS SOONER I HAVE ONLY FIVE OURS TO PREPARE"THE TOLD ME TO CALM DOWN SO I DID SHE TOLD ME"FROM SAM:ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SING HAPPY BIRTHDAY"AND I DON'T KNOW WHAT I WAS SO WORRIED ABOUT IF THAT'S ALL I HAD TO DO.THE NEXT MORNING AUDITIONS ROLLED AROUND AND I STARTED TO GET NERVOUS BUT I KEPT THINKING I GOT THIS ALL IN THE BAG.IT WAS FINALLY MY TURN TO AUDITION FOR THE LEAD AND I DID WHAT EVER GOOD ACTRESS WOULD DO SLATE AND GIVE A WONDERFUL PERFORMANCE TO THEIR AUDIENCE.THE DIRECTOR OF THE SHOW SAID"THANK YOU EVERYONE THE

CAST WILL BE POSTED NEXT WEEK”AND I WAS EXCITED AND EVERYDAY I WAS GOING TO PRAY THAT I GET THE LEAD.THEN ONE WEEK PASSED JUST LIKE THAT AND I RAN FULL SPEED TOWARD THE FINE ARTS HALL AND I SHOOK OFF MY NERVES THEN I CHECKED THE LIST.I WAS LOOKING AND LOOKING THROUGH THE LIST UNTIL I FOUND MY NAME AND I DID AND GUESS WHERE IT WAS NEXT TO...THE LEAD I GOT THE MAIN ROLE IN THE SHOW.I WAS VERY HAPPY AND I HAD THIS SENSE OF ACCOMPLISHMENT LIKE I JUMPED A BIG HURDLE.THE PLAY WAS HAPPENING IN EIGHT WEEKS SO I HAD A LOT OF TIME TO PERFECT EVERYTHING.WITH EIGHT WEEKS WORTH OF HARD WORK HAD FINALLY PAID OF THE DAY OF THE PERFORMANCE.I MEMORIZED EVERY MOVE,LINE, AND SONG CUE I WAS UNSTOPPABLE.I FELT LIKE I WAS GOING TO BE THE NEXT MOVIE STAR.NOW FAST FORWARD THREE YEARS LATER MY DREAM HAD BECOME A REALITY FOR ME.I BECAME THE MOVIE STAR THAT I HAVE ALWAYS WANTED TO BE EVER SINCE I WAS A LITTLE KID.ALL THAT HARD WORK PAID OFF ESPECIALLY DURING THE HARDEST TIME OF MY LIFE WHEN I HAD A BRAIN TUMOR.MY LESSON TO YOU IS NEVER STOP BELIVING IN WHAT YOU WANT IN LIFE ALL YOUR HARD WORK WILL PAY OFF IN THE END AND LAST OF ALL BLOCK OUT ALL THOSE NEGATIVE PEOPLE..JUST KNOW THEY HATING BECAUSE THEY WANT YOUR LIFE ALWAYS KEEP THAT IN MIND.IM SIGNING OUT I HAVE A MOVIE TO SHOOT NOW.GOODBYE.