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ZOE HAYNES '17

is confident

with who she is as an individual because of Saint Mary's School. "Saint Mary's meets a girl where she is and helps her become who she wants to be," Zoe explains.



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"I'm a very different girl today than I was when I set foot in the Grove four years ago, thanks to the opportunities I was given to become involved, develop leadership skills, and gain experience," Zoe explains. "I never danced before I came to Saint Mary's. The first time I was here, the dance teacher met me and told my mother, 'Your daughter should be dancing.' So, I did; I took every dance class I could during the semester and in the summer. Later, I became Orchesis president. I also choreographed and performed a senior solo last spring called, 'Rise Up,' so the audience could understand who I am and how important social justice is to me."

As co-president of Saint Mary's Human Rights Alliance, Zoe also became deeply involved in global equity. Last year, she and other club members celebrated International Women's Day (IWD) by raising awareness on campus. "As an all-girls school, we decided we wanted to do something to promote the day. We raised funds, which benefitted the United Nation's Girl Up Foundation."

Zoe believes Saint Mary's girls give back to the community — no matter what the cause — because each young woman is grateful for what she has.

"We want others to feel supported the way we've been supported by Saint Mary's," she says. "It would be selfish to only do those things that would advance our own lives when we see others struggling."

Further introspection reveals Zoe's life inspiration, Luke 12:48: 'For unto whomsoever much is given, of him shall be much required.'

"I feel I've been given a lot, so if I'm not doing something to help others, I don't feel right in myself."

The Saint Mary's community is as excited as Zoe is about what's next in her journey. She was recently named a Teaching Education Fellow at UNC-Greensboro. "Their program develops teachers as servant leaders. I'll dual major in elementary and special education with a concentration in English as a Second Language. My goal is to become a global teacher and role model for other young women."

As a Saint Mary's graduate, we know one thing for certain: Zoe Haynes '17 has been prepared for college and life, and we can't wait to see what she does with all she's learned.



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thank YOU

