



It is a great pleasure to recognize Itzxul Moreno from the Class of 2013, as our April Alum of the Month. Itzxul attended Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic School in Glendale from 5th-8th grade before attending Bourgade Catholic High School. During her time as a Golden Eagle, she was heavily involved in extracurriculars. Itzxul held roles in Student Council and as a Eucharistic minister; she also was a four-year participant on the Annual Mission Trip and a member of the yearbook staff. One of her most notable roles was Editor-in-Chief for the 50th Anniversary yearbook. In the classroom, Itzxul obviously took a liking to her yearbook class but also her World History class with Mr. Klupchak (a fellow ACE teacher).

Following her time at BCHS, Itzxul went on to attend Saint Mary's College in South Bend, IN where she will be graduating from in May. She has been fortunate enough to travel during her studies living in Rome her sophomore year and Uganda for a summer prior to her senior year.. In Uganda, Itzxul served as a teacher at a rural primary school.

She has since been accepted into the ACE Teaching Fellows Program (Alliance for Catholic Education) and will be teaching 4th grade at St. Philip Neri in Indianapolis while she pursues her Masters in Education at the University of Notre Dame.

Itzxul credits Bourgade Catholic with teaching her a great deal of accountability. She explained that having been so committed to extracurriculars, she learned the importance of completing tasks and fulfilling responsibilities. When asked if she had any advice for the current students of BCHS, Itzxul responded,

*"If there is one thing I have learned over these past years it is the importance of showing up and saying yes to opportunities as they arise. Countless times I have pushed myself to engage in a new experience or reach out to an unknown person and it has always paid itself back in dividends someday. Sure, it can be uncomfortable and challenging to step out of your comfort zone or take on a new challenge, but I have always found it to be greatly rewarding."*

We wish Itzxul nothing but the best in her future endeavors and are very proud of her accomplishments. Congratulations on being named our April Alum of the Month.