# The Power of **ART** as Language

Learning from the Featured Student-Artists & Their Art



2023-2024



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Co-Prepared by cARTie's 2023 Student Intern, Arianna Martinez, and cARTie's Executive Director, Clare Murray



# ABOUT THE EXHIBITION:

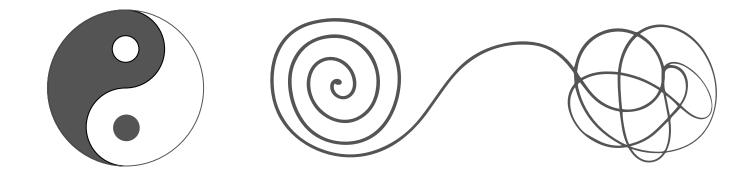
cARTie invited submissions from a diverse representation of secondary school students from across CT to thoughtfully interpret the theme of art as a universal language & complement works of art exchanged by secondary students at the American School for the Deaf in West

### Hartford & the Machakos School for the Deaf in Kenya.

The juried exhibition, 'The Power of Art as Language' stimulates thinking, dialogue, and action around disability awareness and activism by specifically engaging our youngest learners in important explorations and conversations that help them develop deep empathy and activism for the deaf and (dis)abled community. The exhibition is co-curated by students at the American School for the Deaf alongside cARTie's Executive Director and student interns and apprentices, Arianna Martinez, Claire Osiecki, and Nate Kolek.

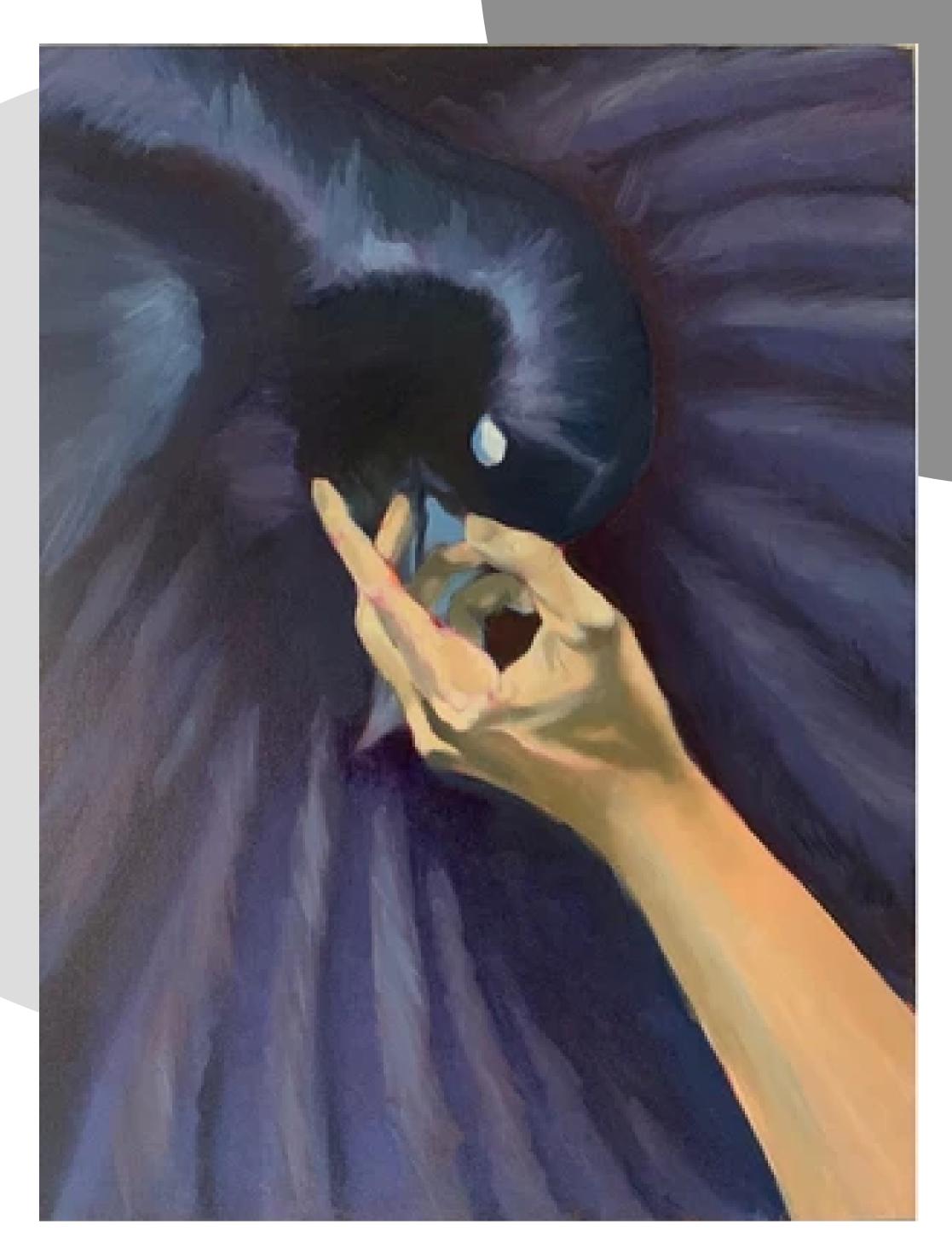
It is created in partnership with Creative Connections, the American School for the Deaf, the Machakos School for the Deaf, and cARTie's Student Advisory Board (cSAB), and it is made possible with the support of the National Endowment for the Arts, CT Humanities, the Connecticut Department of Economic and Community Development, the Connecticut Office of the Arts, and the Pincus Family Foundation.

### **A SPECIAL THANKS!**



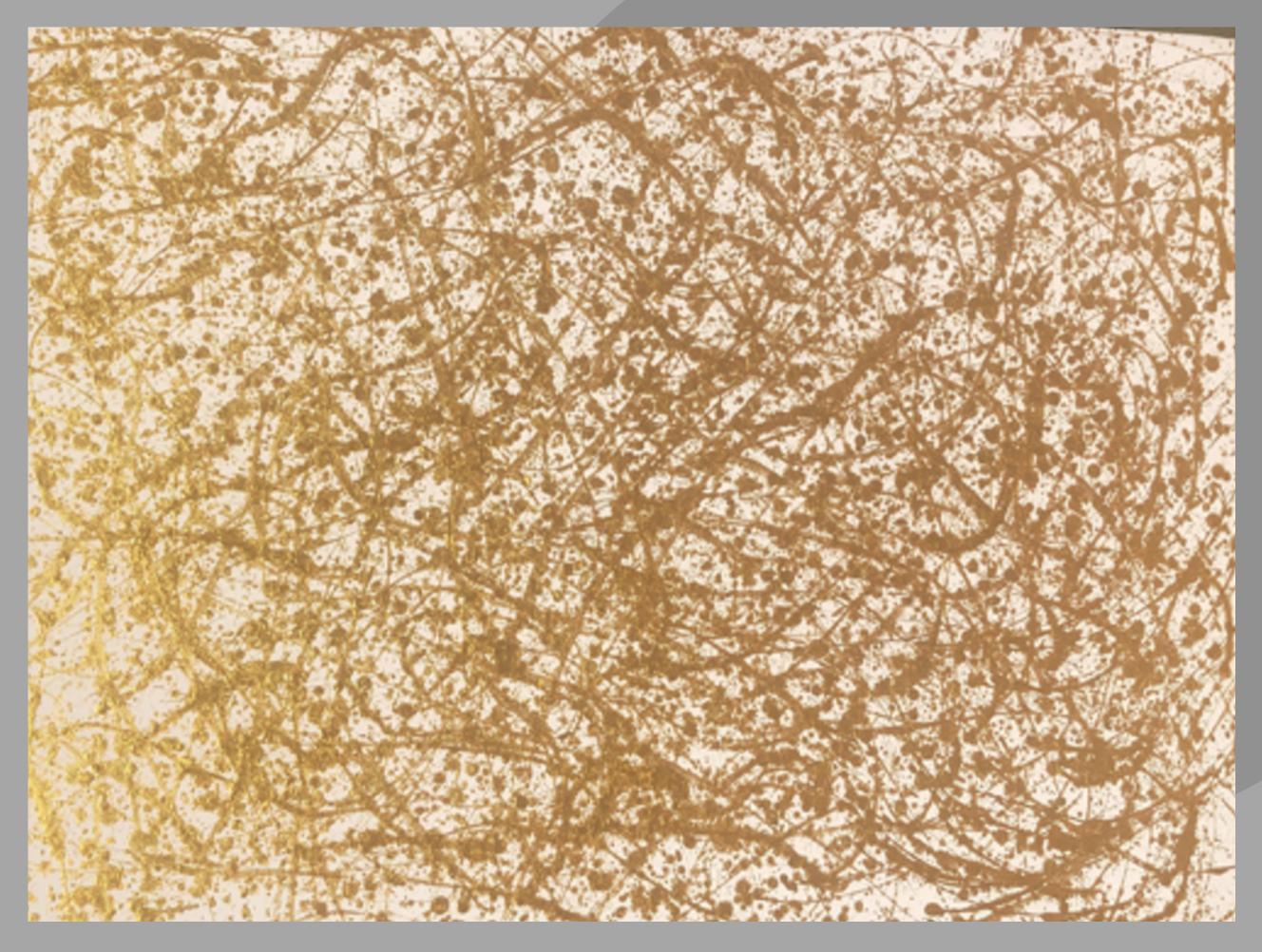






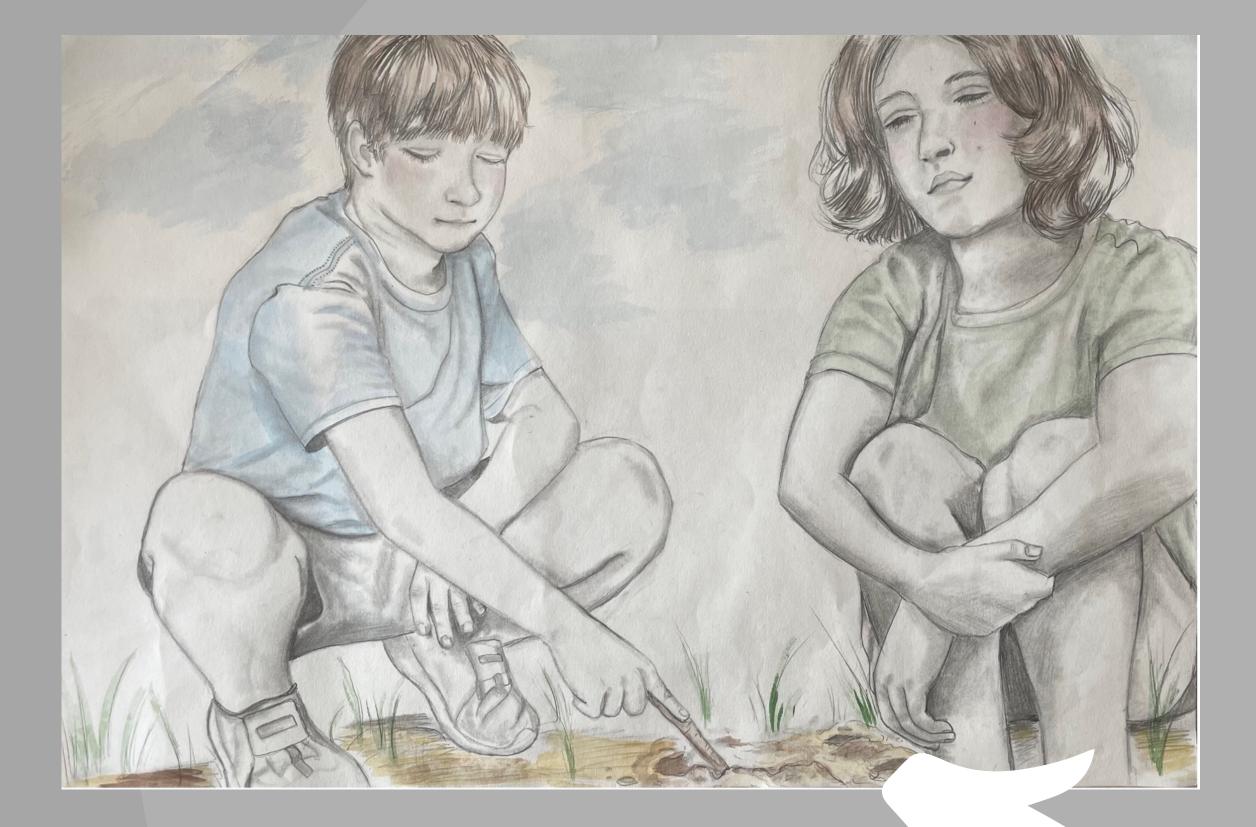
#### Yin & Yang - Hand of Order & Crow of Chaos Harmony by lan Chow

### Art tells stories. What's this one's story?



#### Golden Splatter by Casey Lerner

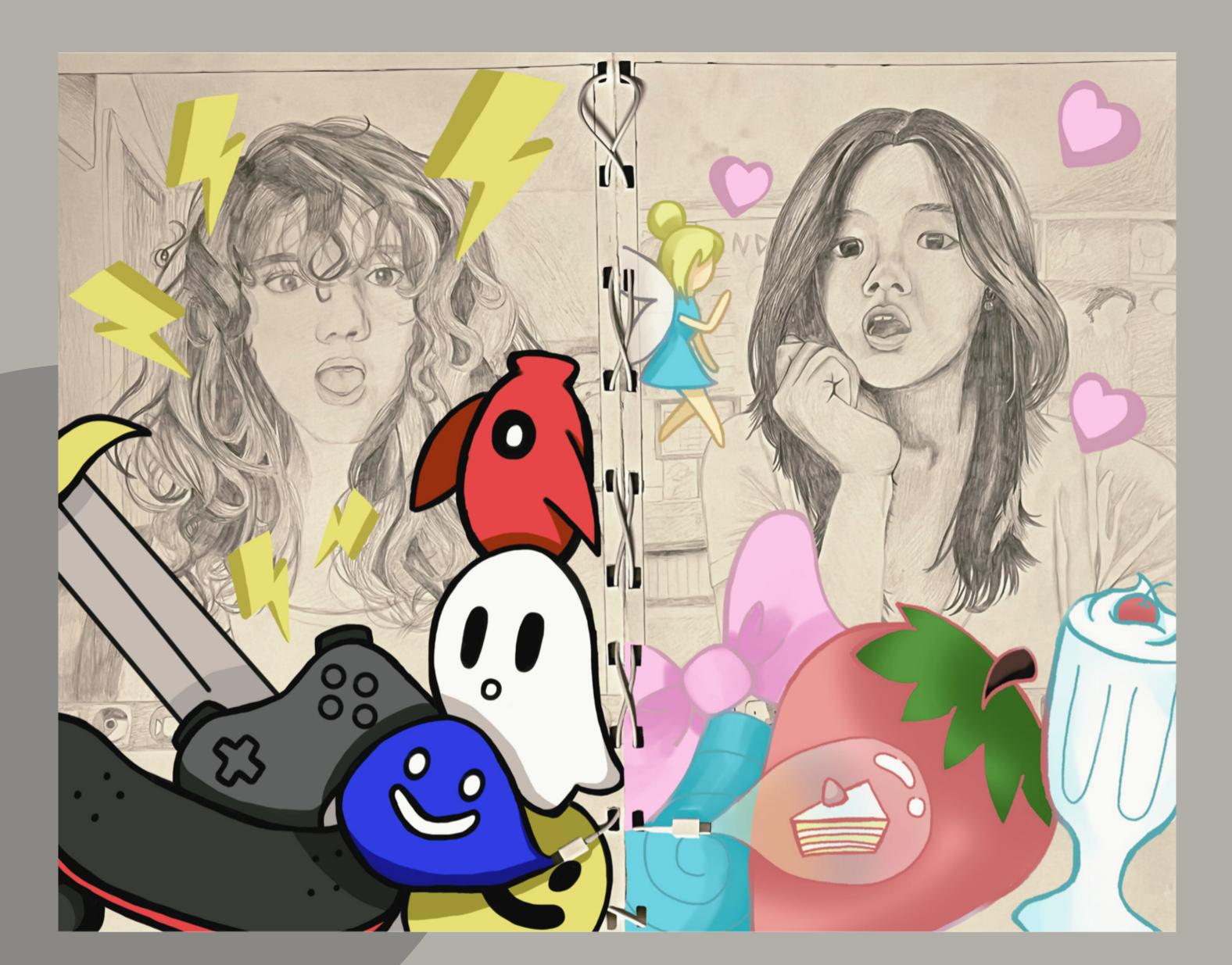
# How does this piece make you FEEL?



#### **A Smile in the Ground** by Hannah Gourad

### LOOK over here

Imagine you will draw a message in the ground too. What will you draw?



### Digital Connection by Emily Liu

### Compare these two people. What is going on between them?

Let's act it out...

### How many different ways can you express the word **"D-O-G"**?

## LOOK at this piece and it's smaller companion for ideas...





### Dog by Claire Osiecki

### What do you NOTICE about the COLORS here? What else?



### Different Worlds, Same Possibilities by Camille Bartus

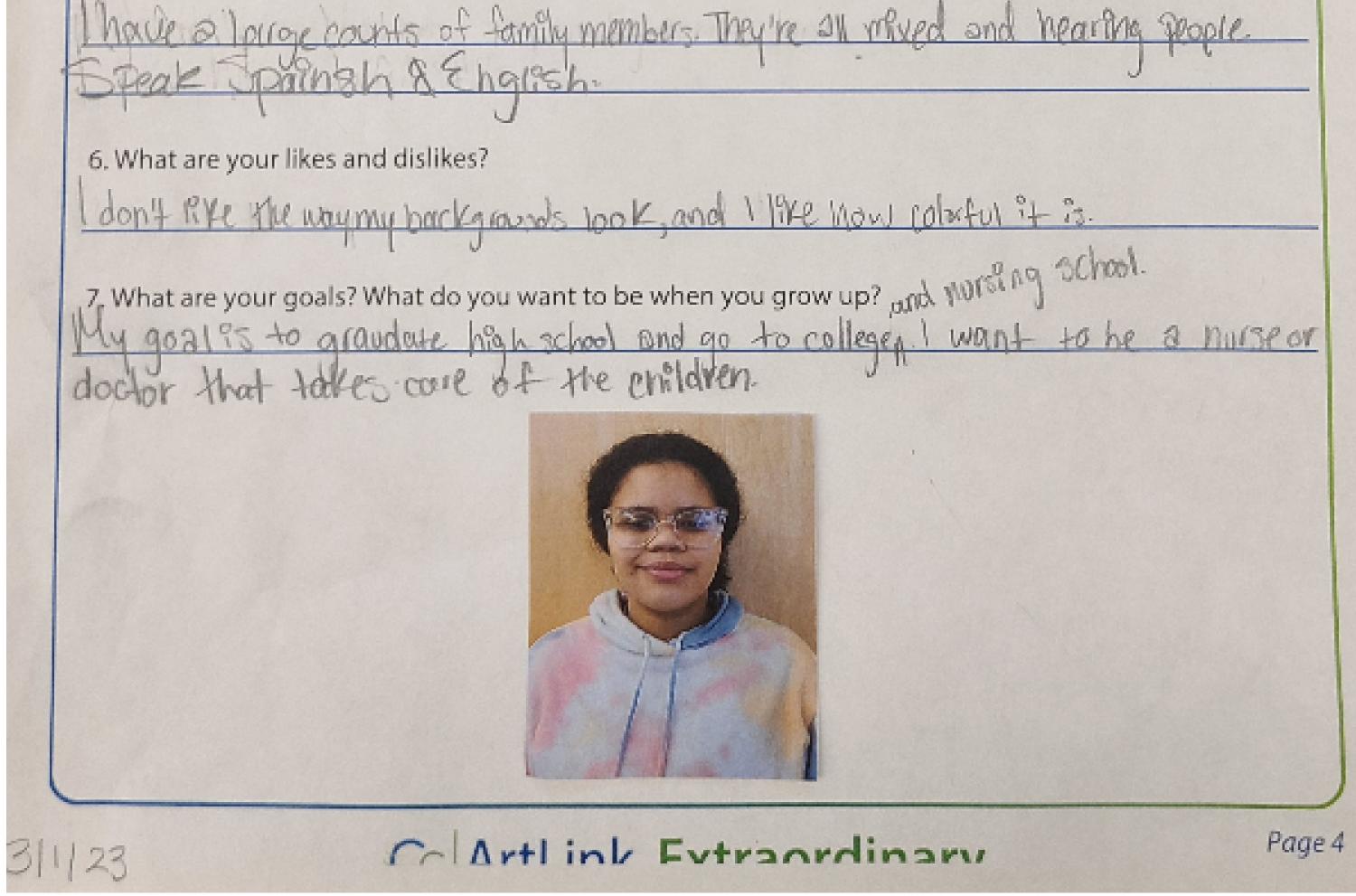
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# STUDENT-

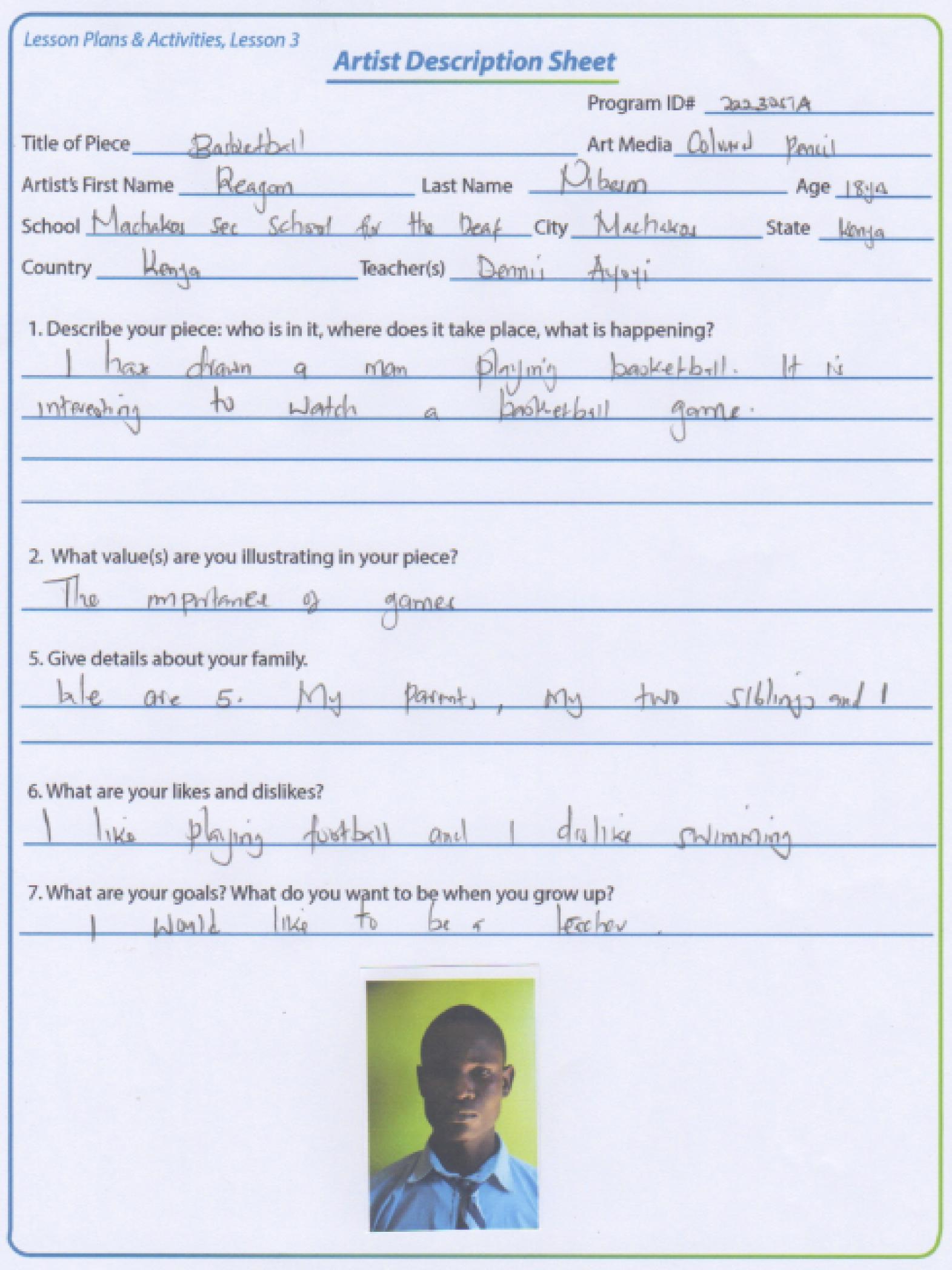
# ARTISTS

Lesson Plans & Activities, Lesson 3 Artist Description Sheet Program ID# 222305 Title of Piece A Hearing Rangly Deal with a Deaf Ehild Art Media Colored Ponolis, (104005-651-52506-ace) Last Name Fries Age 15 Artist's First Name Thompelin City West Martford State Connecticut School AMerican School for the deaf Teacher(s) Jennifer & Maron Country 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? Opte in my artworks are my family, Eagah, drid Kindergarden teachers. 1 barned San Juan Puerto Rico. I was also hearing comestrom a hearing family. became deat caused by a high fever. My family tew years later, not know what to do with me and decoded to move to America-for a better life. 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece? ramily, and friends 5. Give details about your family.



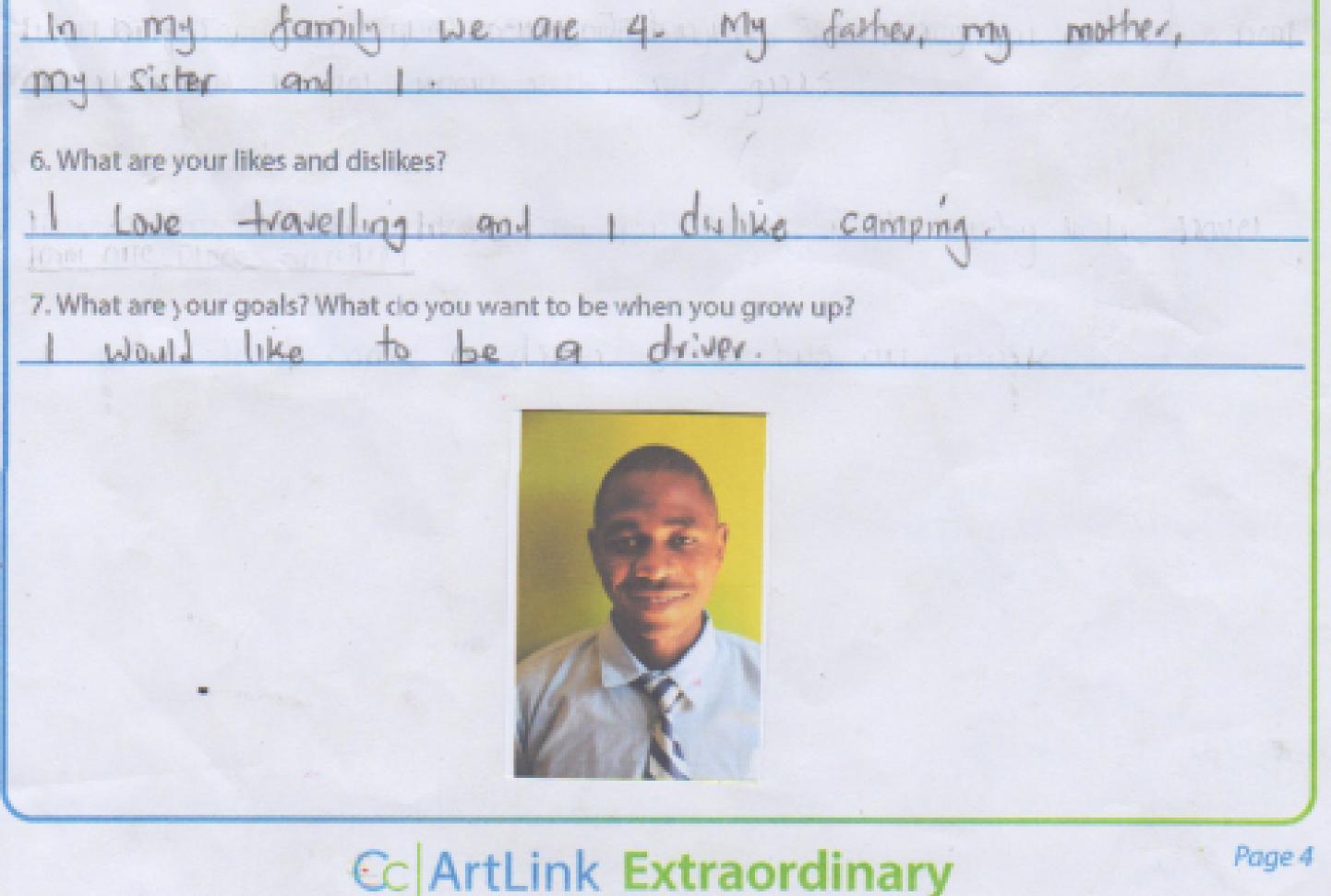
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3/2/23 Amanda Campos Lesson Plans & Activities, Lesson 3 **Artist Description Sheet** Program ID# 2223 Art Media paper color pencils Sherpe Title of Piece April Fool prank Artist's First Name Amanda Last Name Campos Age School American School for the Deat (ASD) City West Hartford State CT Country America Teacher(s) Sharon and Jenniter Hong 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? April Fool Prank OF a paper spider, Mrs. Bachel dassmates ! anged or and my 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece? and schape of paper showing as spider ASLIS handsign 5. Give details about your family. Me and my parents visit Brazil and Arizona visit pool and visit my aunt and undule for Thanksgiving 6. What are your likes and dislikes? Music drawing anime taces und Animes. My Dislikes What are your goals? What do you want to be when you grow up? I in the morning. want to be an engeering Scientis Page 4 C Artlink Extraordinary



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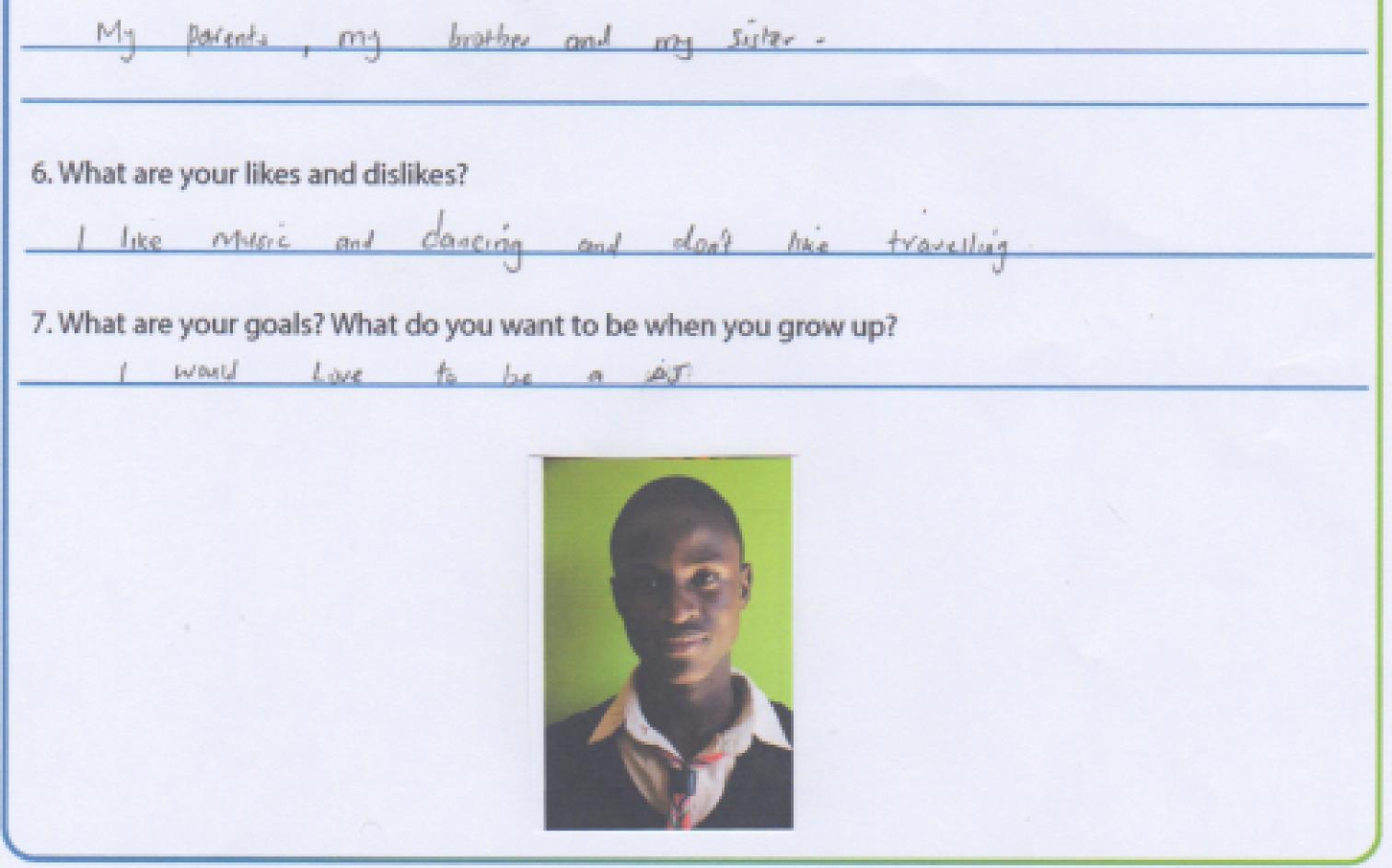
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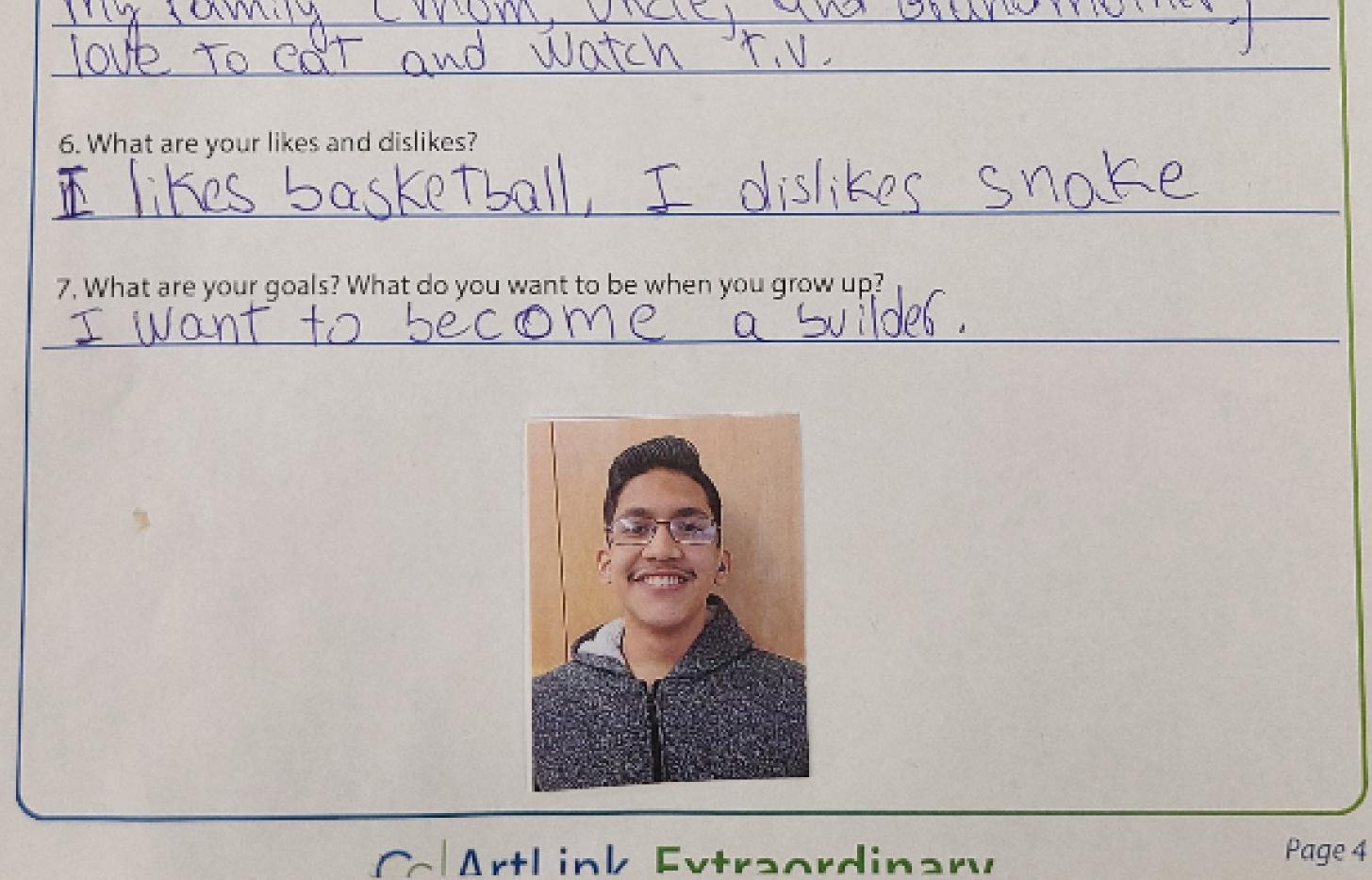
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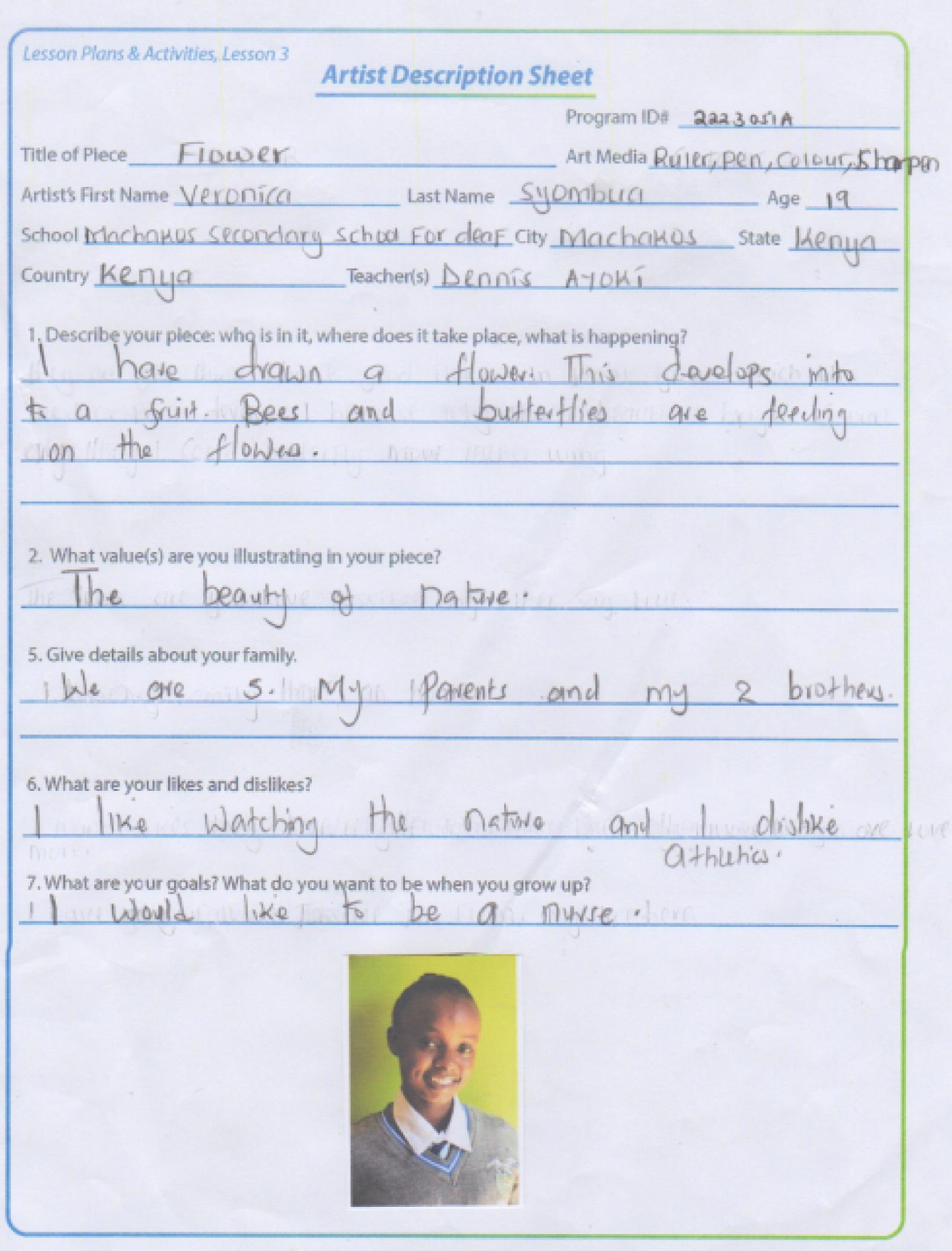
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| /                                     | Program ID# 222051 A                         |
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| Artist's First Name MEBHACK           | Last Name king Age 18                        |
| School Machakas Sec School to         | w the deaf City Machakas State               |
| Country Kenja                         | Teacher(s) Dennis Ayre                       |
| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, | where does it take place, what is happening? |
| I have drawn a                        | disk Jocker machine. I sand someone          |
| during christmas playing              | it.  |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating | g in your piece?                             |
| Music and tech                        | nology                                       |
| 5. Give details about your family.    |  |



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| Program ID# 2223051  |
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| Artist's First Name Jack Sowaypn Opicia Last Name Stranger Garris Age 16           |
| School ASD City UEST Hailtondstate   |
| Country USA Teacher(s) HONG HOISCheid  |
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| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? |
| My family i from Ecuador.  |
| This is Echador Flag.  |
| - in the reading ing.  |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece?                               |
| Family   |
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| 5. Give details about your family.   |
| my family (mom, uncle, and brandmother)  |





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| Artist Description Sheet Program ID# 2223051 "Heart Surgery"  |
| Title of Piece Program ID#Art Media   |
| Artist's First Name Sacah Last Name Bohoh Age B   |
| School 190<br>City West state<br>Country WSPA Teacher(s) Ob and Jennifer Hong                       |
| - Sharon Haischeid and som  |
| <ol> <li>Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening?</li> </ol> |
| This piece represents my heart surgery at age 9.  |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece? I value my sister Katie helping me.            |
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| 5. Give details about your family.<br>I love my family. They help and support me.                   |

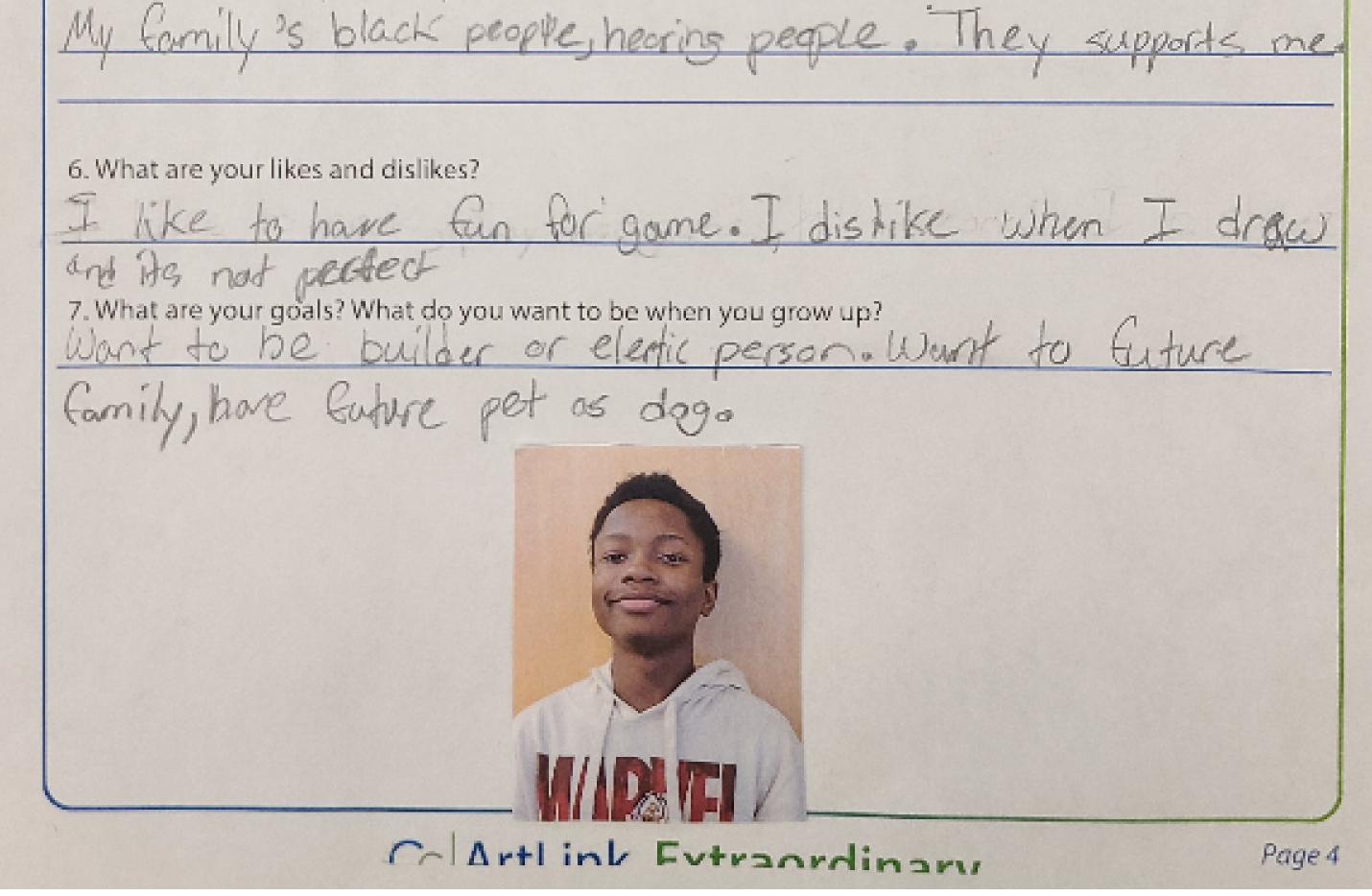
6. What are your likes and dislikes?

I like to eat at restaurants and eat ice cream. I don't like vegetables.

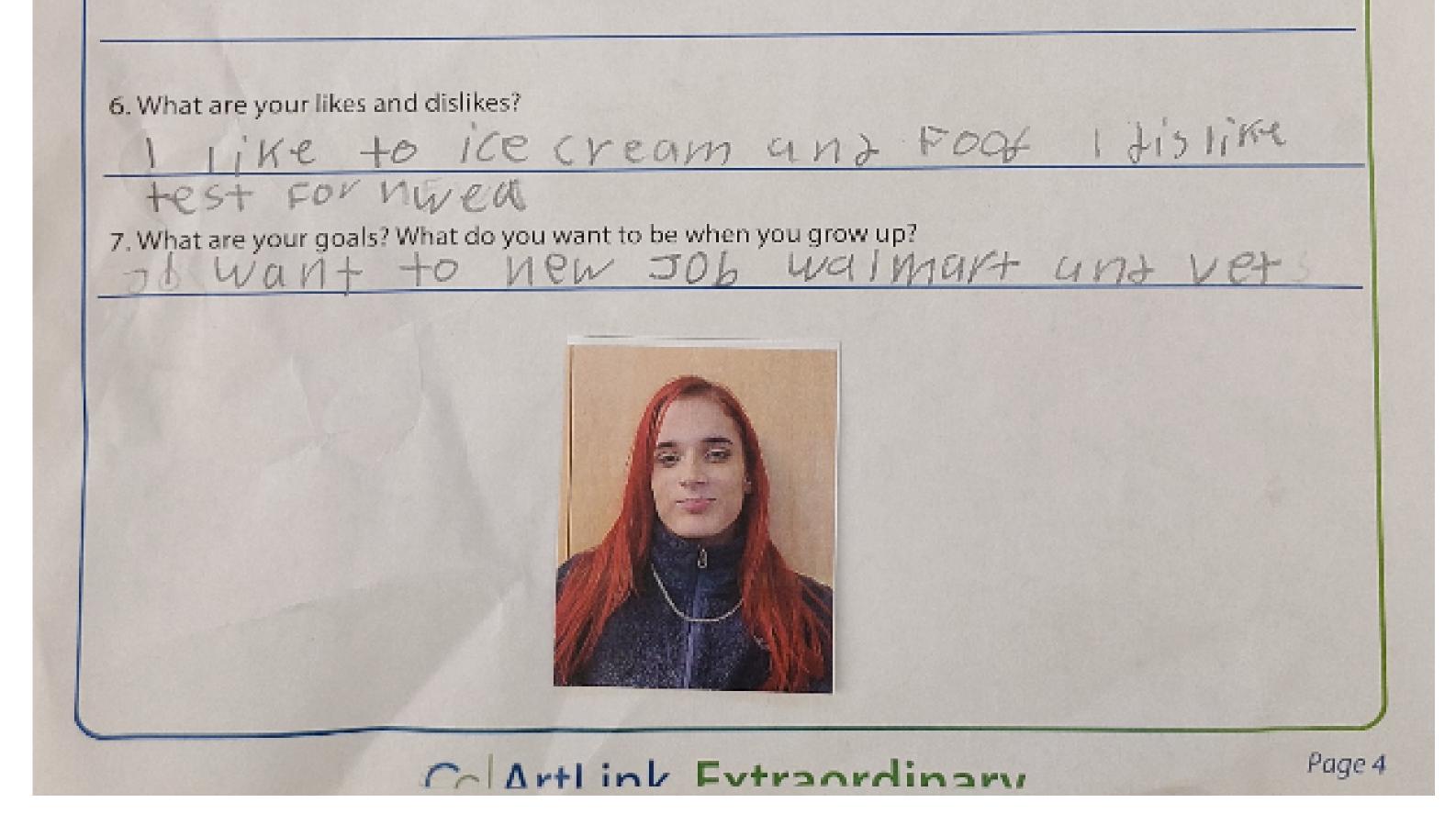
7. What are your goals? What do you want to be when you grow up?



Lesson Plans & Activities, Lesson 3 **Artist Description Sheet** Program ID# Art Media Title of Piece Last Name Age Artist's First Name school American school for the deal city Thest Har = WH state (on a Teacher(s) Sharon, Jennite Country\_\_\_\_ 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? friend I was playing gone and called hipe and seeker. had to find people who hide under something -n my ble's home behind 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece? value to two time with friend 5. Give details about your family.

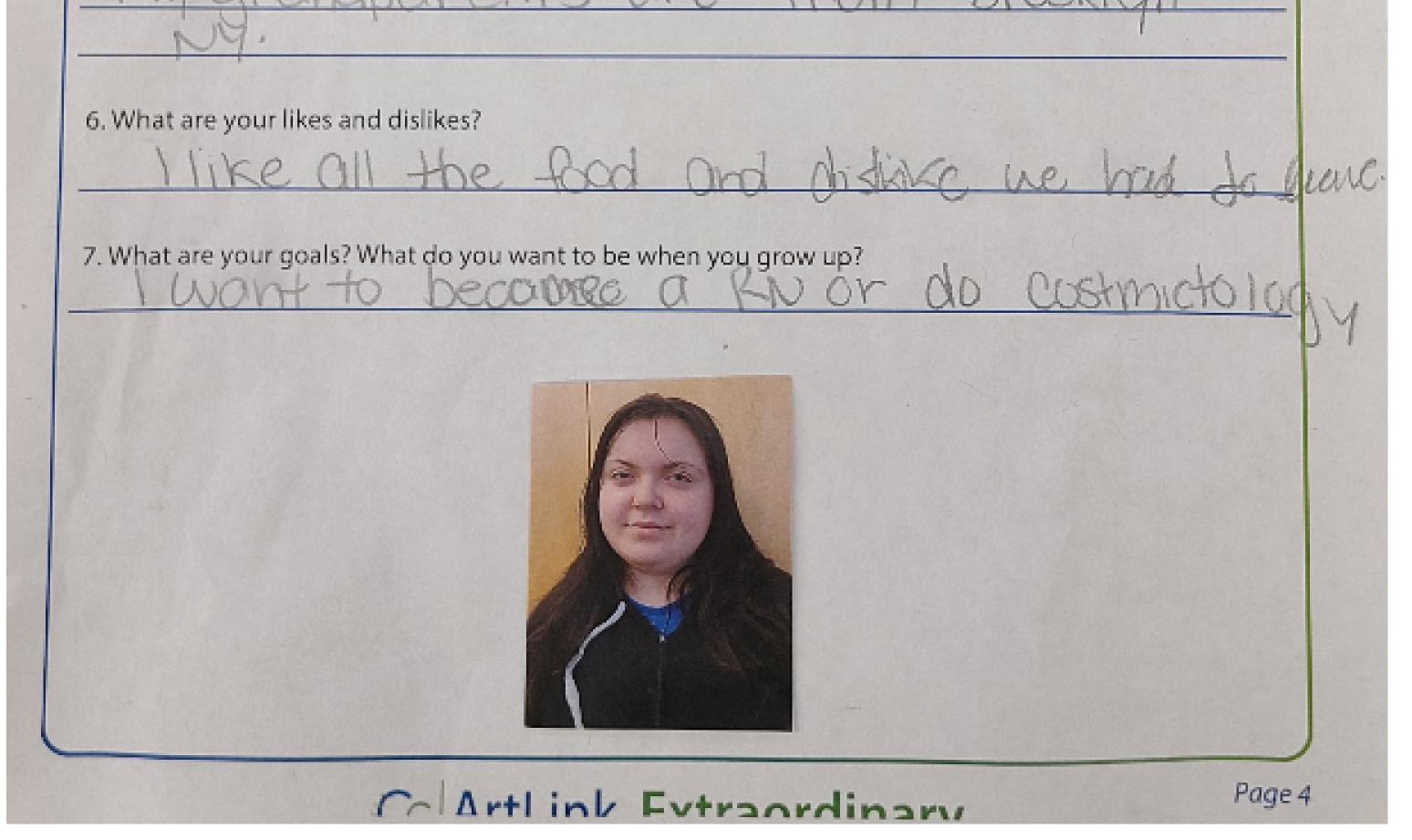


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| Artist's First Name Shanel                               | Lea Last Name SIMPSOVI Age 18  |
| School amerilan School                                   | 1 For the Jearcity west hartor state   |
| Country american   | Teacher(s) hal scheid/hong   |
| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it,<br>My exiror Jingm | where does it take place, what is happening?<br>MEMORY is soing to Friendly<br>FOV ICE CREAM |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating<br>FUMINT TIME W   | gin your piece?<br>Ity Jelicous FOOD   |
| 5. Give details about your family.<br>SUST WITH MT       | MOM  |



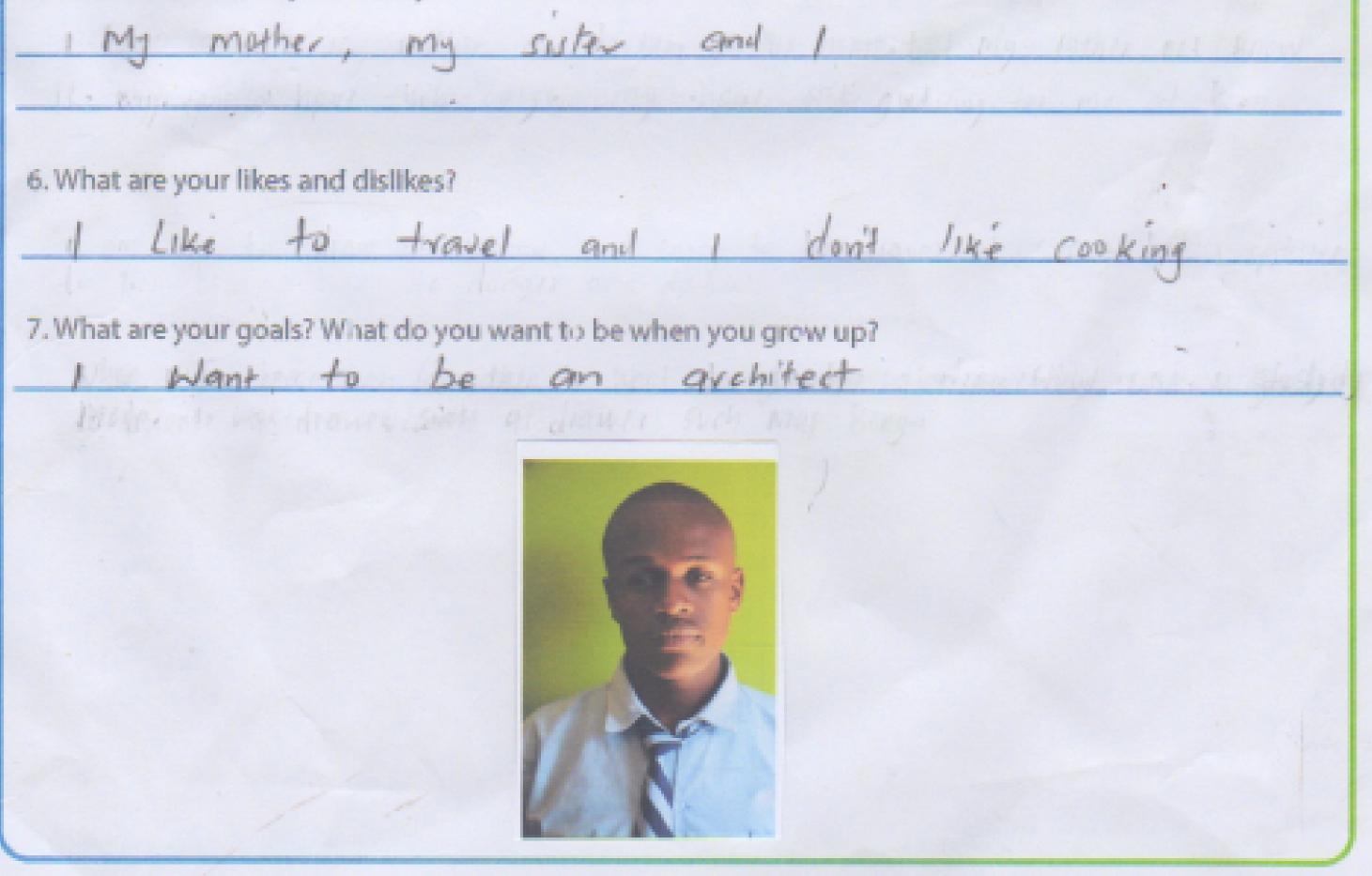
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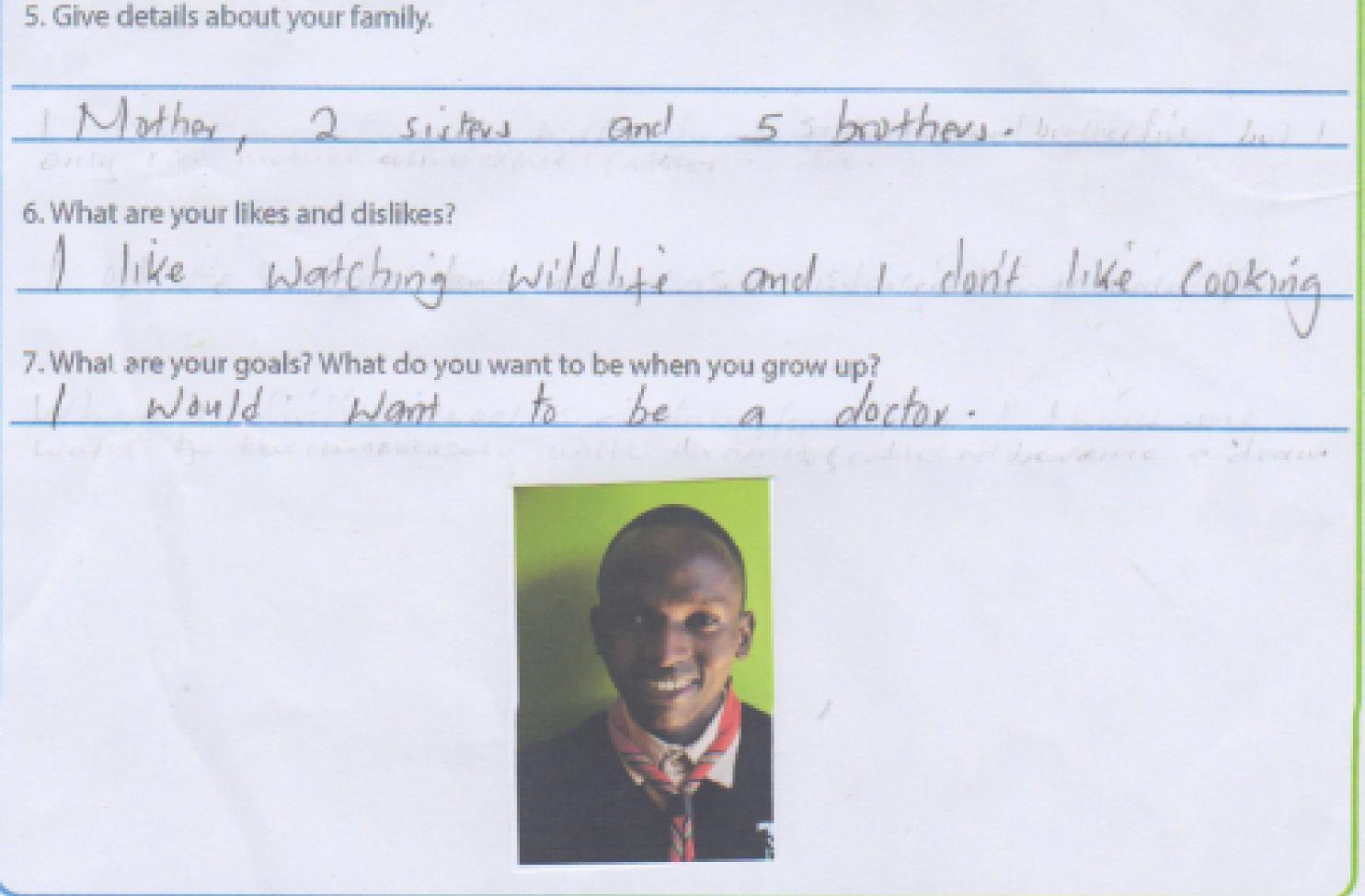
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| Title of Piece   | KENYAN                          | MAP                          | Art Media Colos   | r, pencil, sulli, Auber |
|  |                                 |                              |                   | Age 19                  |
| School MACHAKOS  | SECONDARY SU                    | LOOL FOR DEAF                | City MACHAKOS     | State KENYA             |
| Country KENYA  | T                               | eacher(s) Deni               | is Ayoki          |                         |
| I have<br>showing the<br>indicated<br>2. What value(s) are | drawn the<br>major<br>the neigh | Map 9<br>towns and<br>bours. | I municiparte pro | Country<br>have: also   |
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5. Give details about your family.



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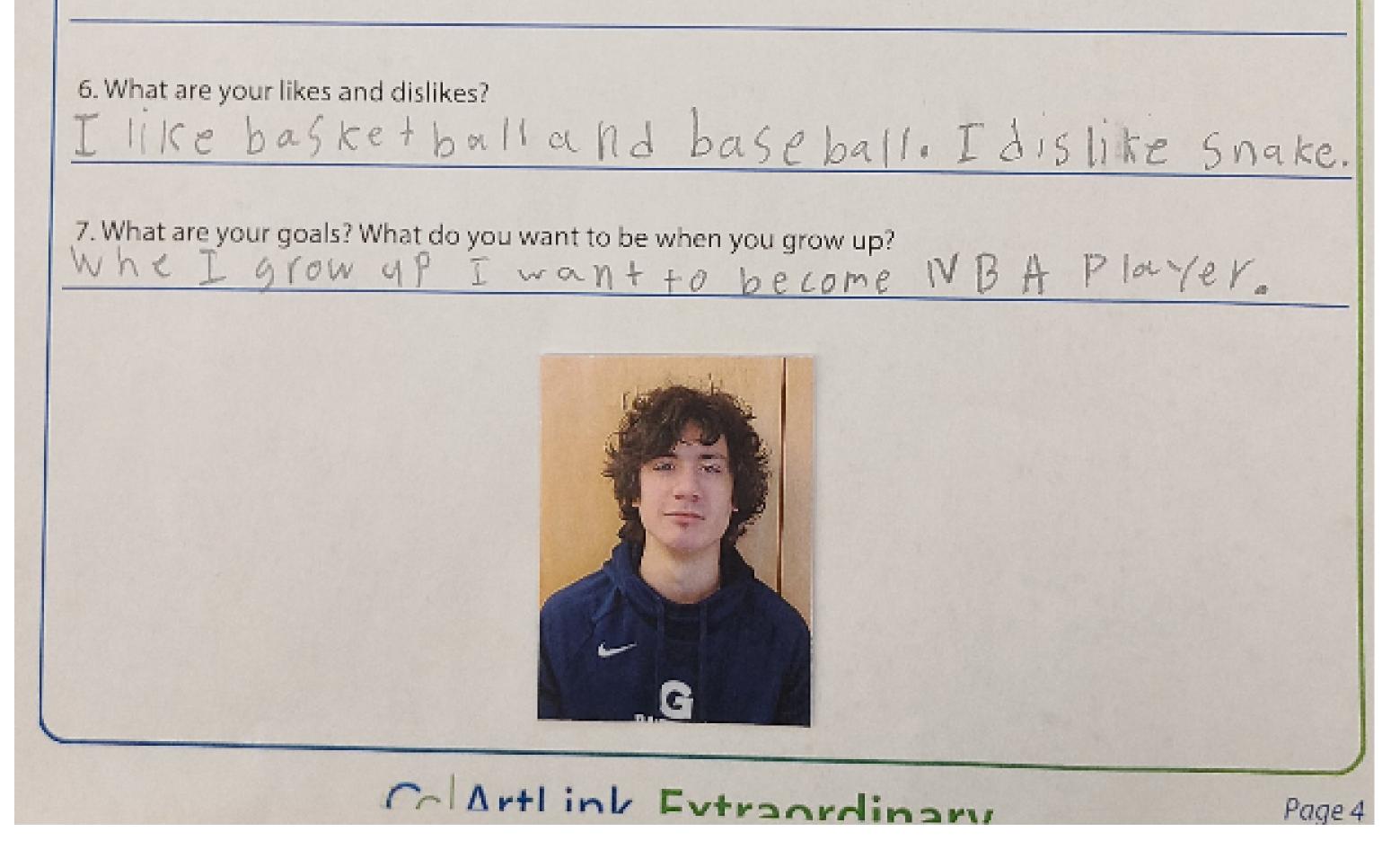
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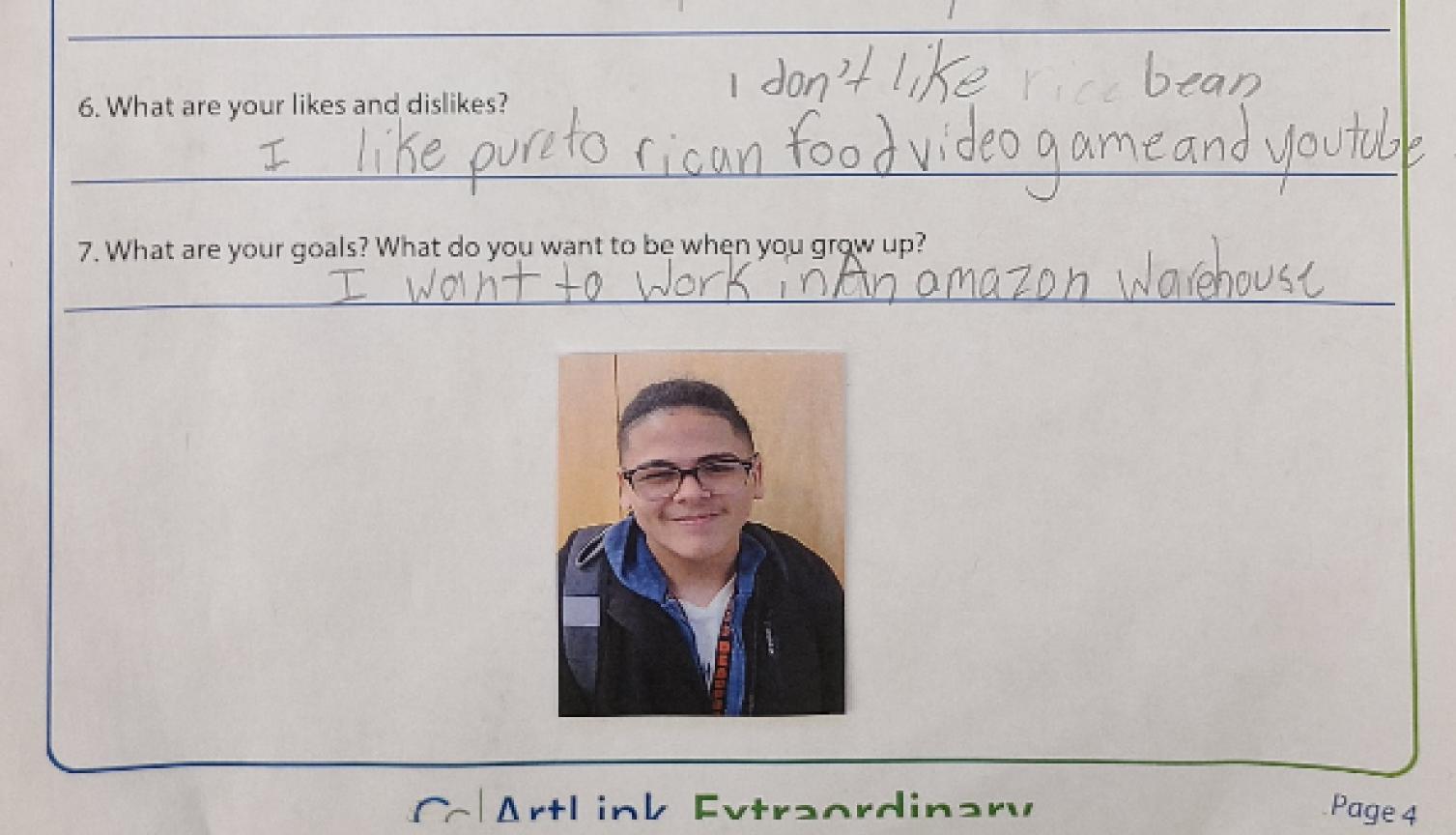
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| Lesson Plans & Activities, Lesson 3<br>Artist Description Sheet                    |
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| Program ID# 1223051  |
| Title of Piece New York Yankees Art Media Colored Pencils                          |
| Artist's First Name John Last Name M Age 17  |
| School ASD City West Hartford CT CT  |
| Country USA Teacher(s) HONY/HOKCherd   |
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| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? |
| Me and my dad, my older brother went to New  |
| York Vankees when I was 6 Vearold. I felt<br>Surprised, Itisa huge Place.          |
| Surprised, Itisa huge Place.   |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece?                               |
| I value probaseball and family time.   |
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| 5. Give details about your family.   |
| My family likes to go on valation.   |
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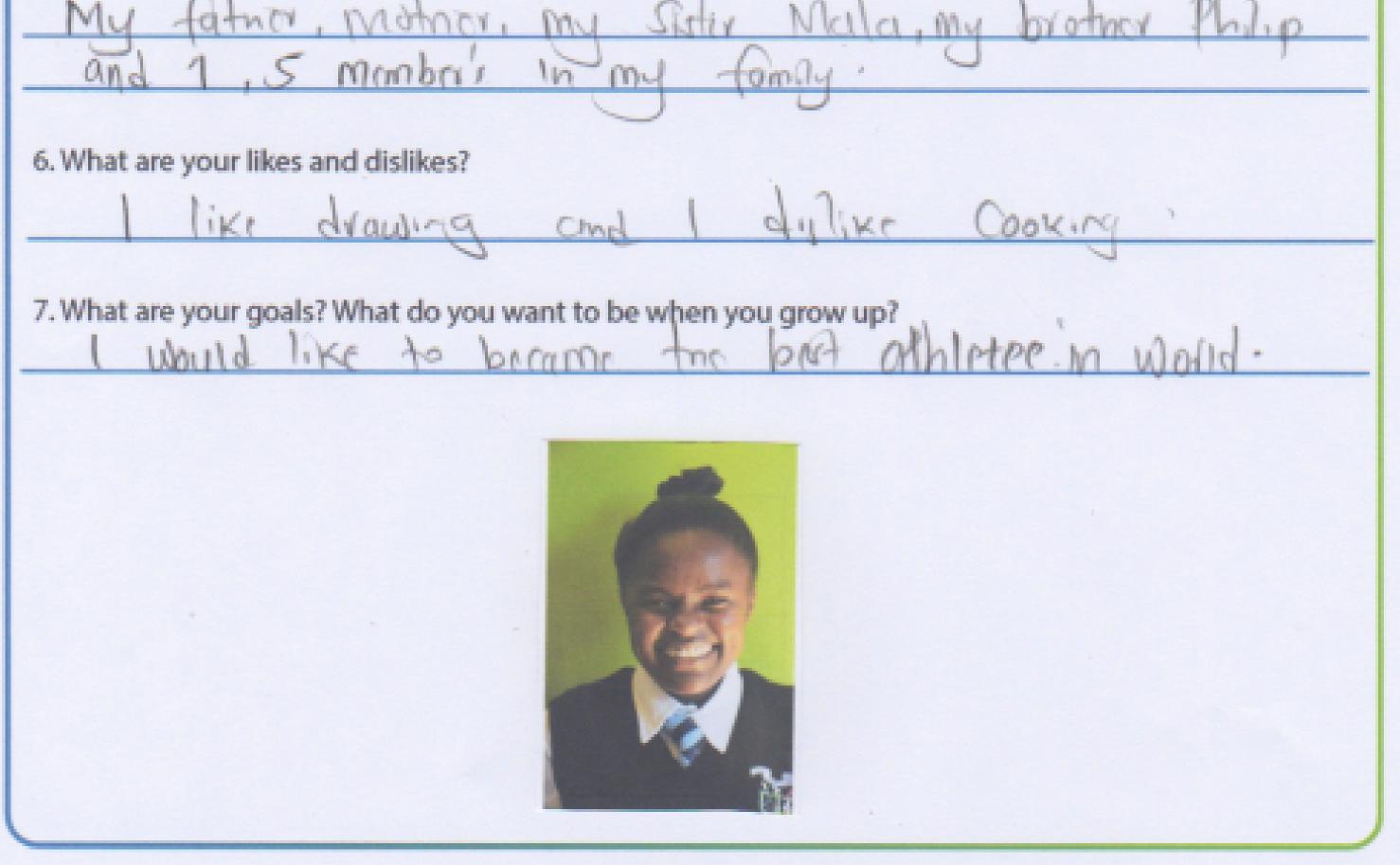
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| Program ID# 2223051  |
| Title of Piece Pizza with Dad Art Media  |
| Artist's First Name <u>Faul</u> Last Name <u>Garcia</u> Age <u>21</u>              |
| school American School for the Deaf city West Hartforestate CT                     |
| country USA Teacher(s) Jennifer Hong and Sharon Halscheid                          |
| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? |
| The art shows me and my badat a pizza  |
| restaraunt. We are having pizza on a Saturday                                      |
| night.   |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece?                               |
| family tradition   |
|  |
| 5. Give details about your family.   |
| I live with my Dan and grandfather.  |

Lesson Plans & Activities, Lesson 3 **Artist Description Sheet** Program ID# 2223051 Title of Piece Puertorico Vacation Art Media Color penci Artist's First Name ISqiah Vega Last Name Vega Age 15 school American school for the deatcity West hartfordstate C-Teacher(s) Jennifer hong and sharon halso Country USA 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening? my mother and sigter went on vacation with me to puerto rico we slept over night we wento to get We visted avaint and une 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece? family time 5. Give details about your family. I live with mymom, and mydad, older sister



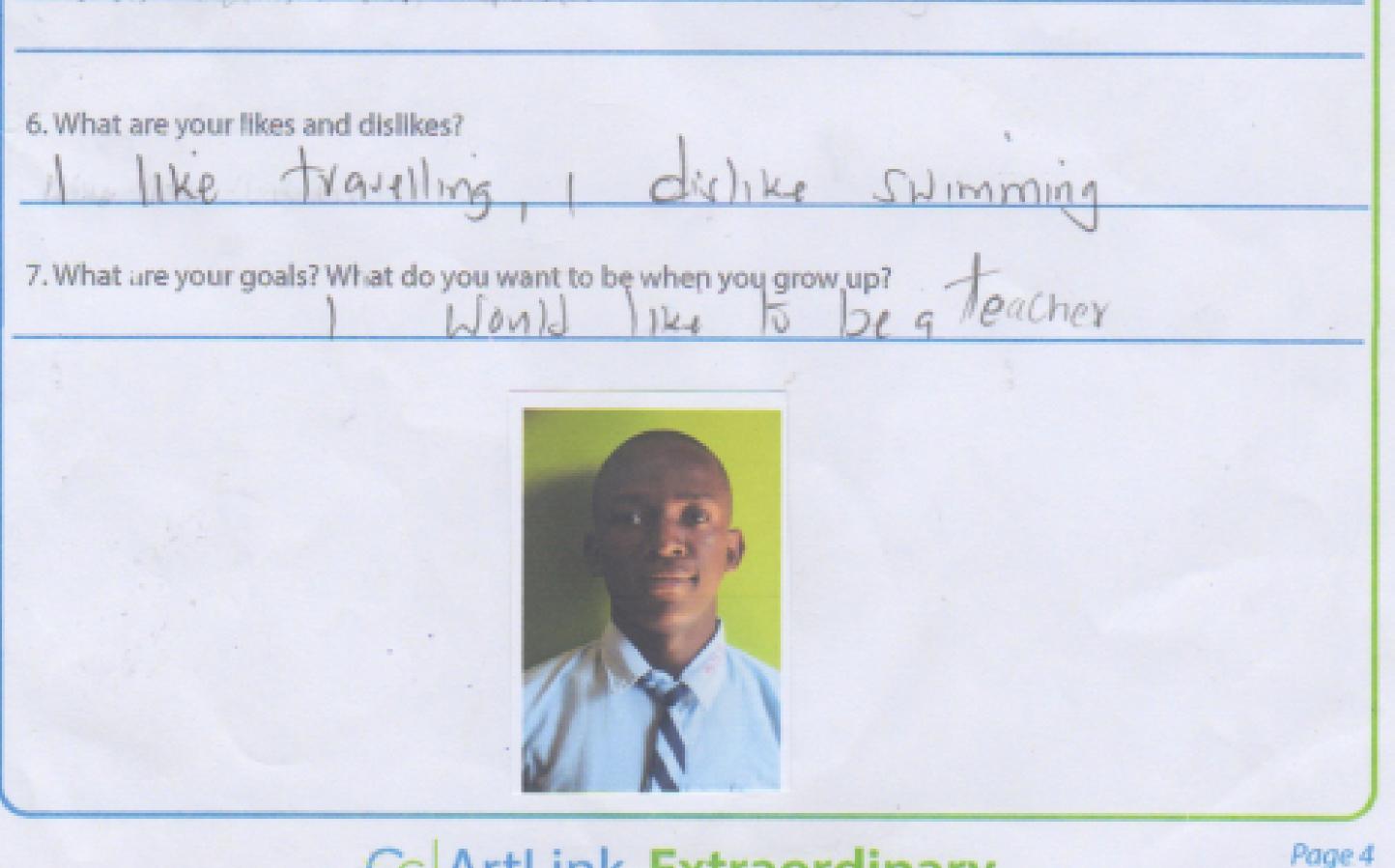
211, and 22 and by brother who is to. 6. What are your likes and dislikes? I like soccer and track. I dislike spiders. 7. What are your goals? What do you want to be when you grow up? My future goal is to go to college at RITINITED to major in technology and computer business. Co Artlink Extraordinary Page 4

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| Program ID# 2223051 A  |
| Title of Piece Running Art Media Cyrons & Procils.   |
| Artist's First Name Joy Last Name Mutio Age 18   |
| school Machakar School for the deaf city Machakar state Kenya  |
| Country Knowa Teacher(s) Denpir Arer   |
| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening?<br>I my piece I have drawn myself practicing for<br>end of term atmilete's where I populifiette in<br>100 M Mare. |
| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece?   |
| Importance of Pathipating In games.  |
| 5. Give details about your family.   |



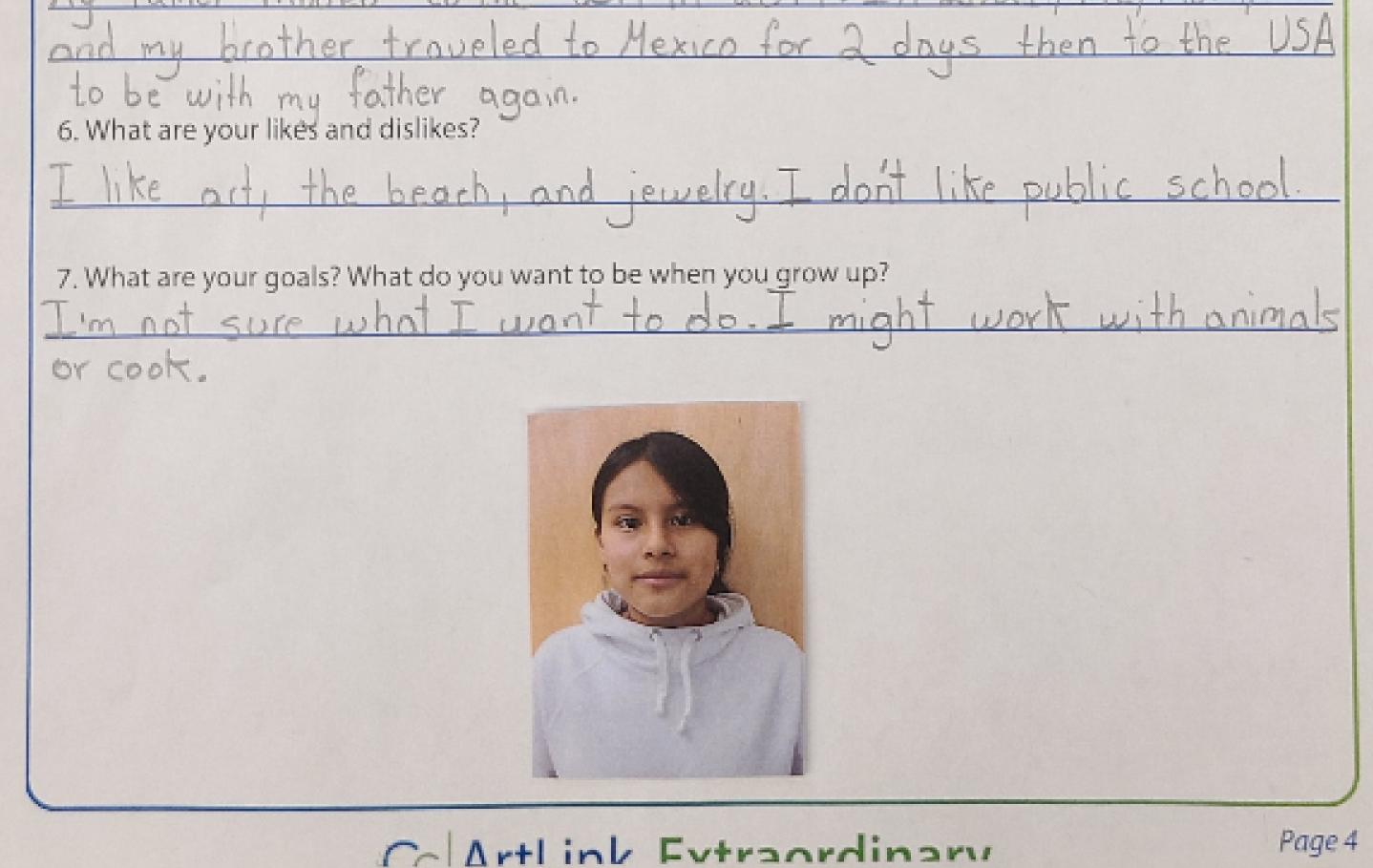
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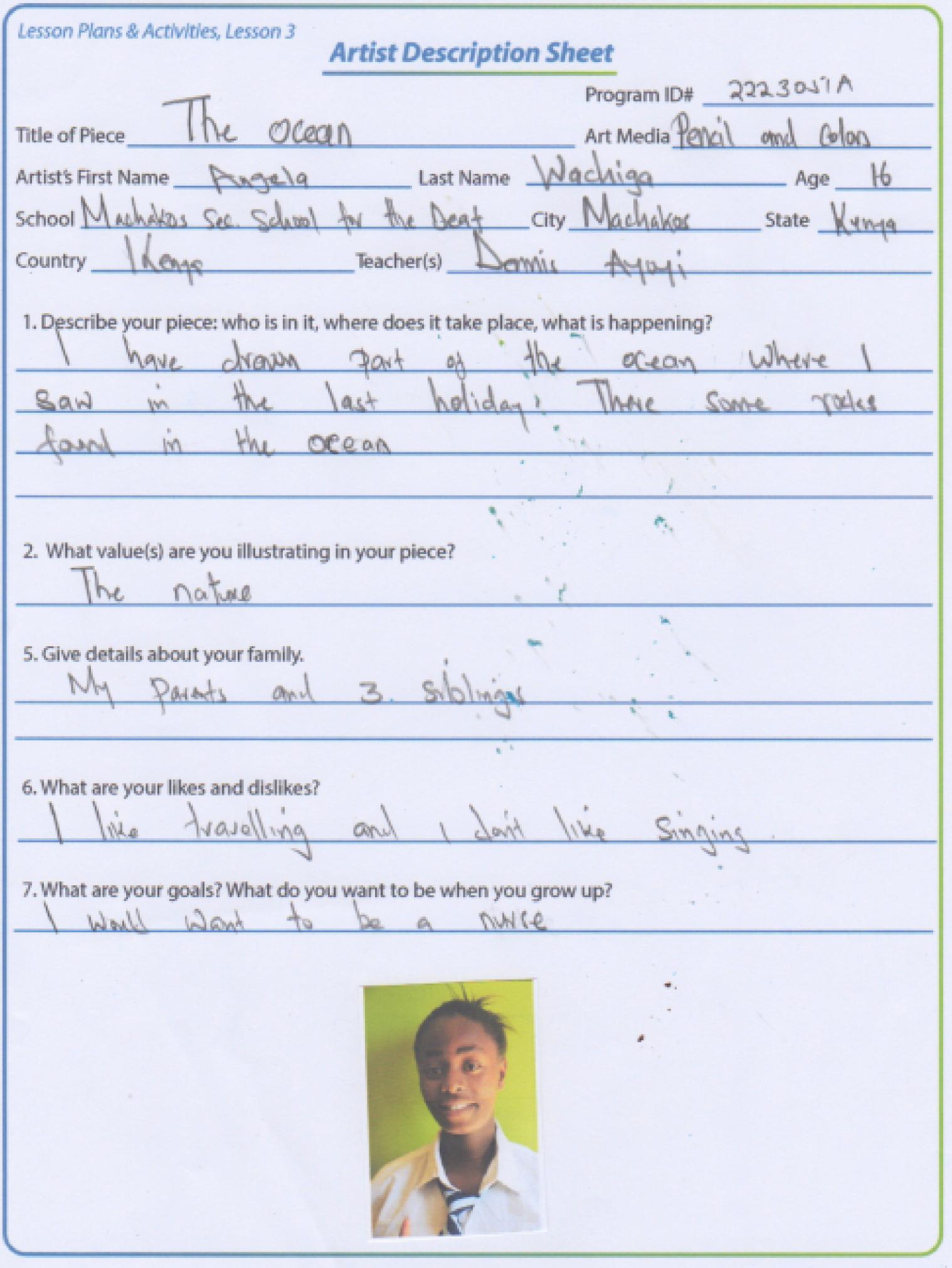
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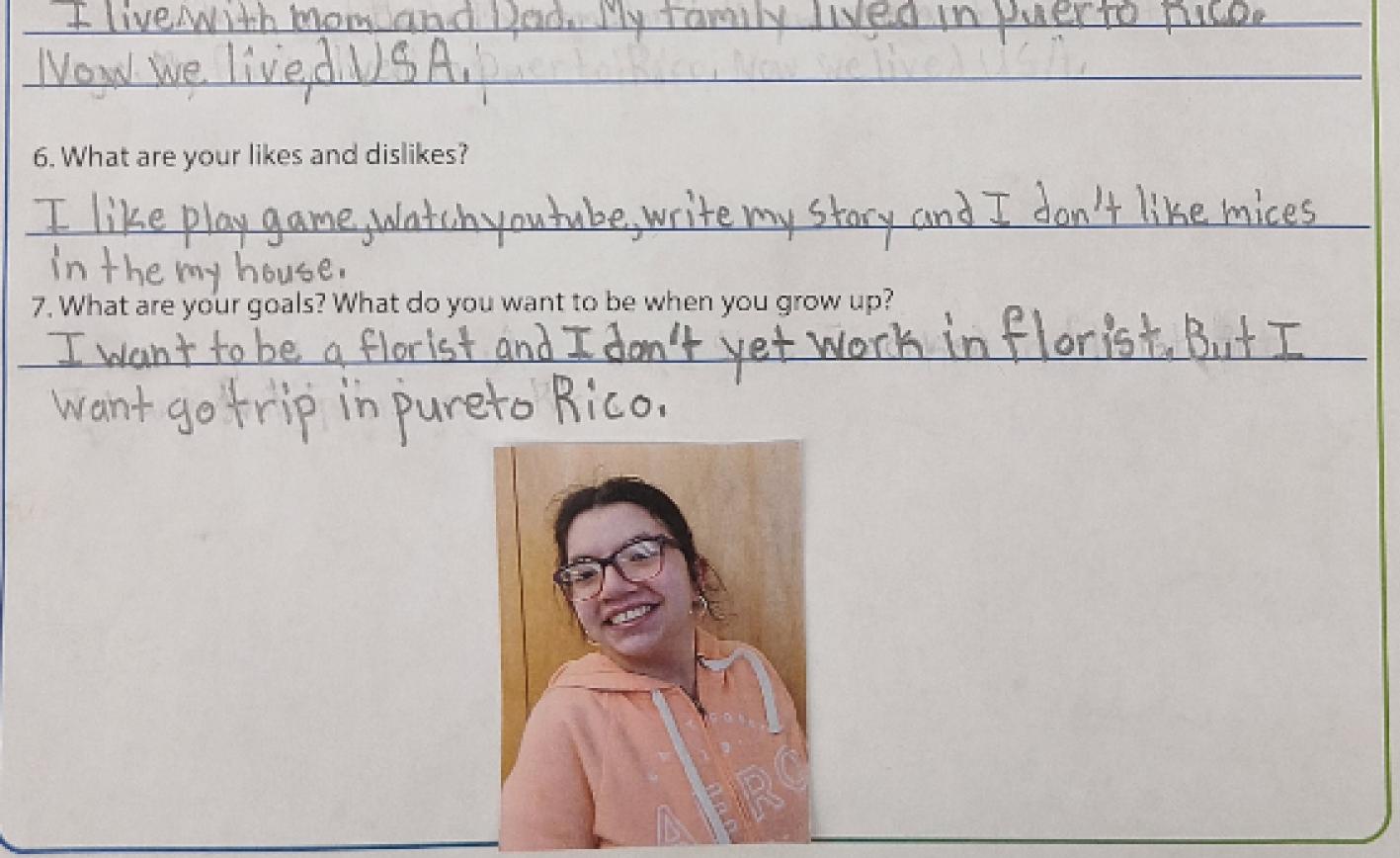
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| Program ID# 222305  |
| Title of Piece The story of my life Art Media   |
| Artist's First Name Carol Last Name Maza Age 14   |
| School ASD City west Hartfardstate Ct   |
| Country USA Teacher(s) Jennifer Hong and Sharon Halschei  |
| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening?<br>My ort tells the story of my life . T was horn in Ecuador, traveled<br>to Mexico, then moved to the USA. In Ecuador I went to public<br>school. In the USA Ingo American School for the Deaf. |
| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece?  |
| Family and communication.   |
| 5. Give details about your family.  |
| My father moved to the USA in 2014. In 2021, mermorian  |





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| Lesson Plans & Activities, Lesson 3 Artist Description Sheet Program ID# <u>222551</u>  |
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| Title of Piece Vacation Duerto Rico Art Media Markers   |
| Artist's First Name Micolle Last Name Badillo Age 18  |
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| School American School for the Deaf City West Hartford State CT   |
| Country USA Teacher(s) Jennifer Hong and Sharon Halscheid   |
| 1. Describe your piece: who is in it, where does it take place, what is happening?<br>My art work is beach with my family house. My family lives there. Me<br>Dad and mom Stay Puerto Rico in lor 2 weeks for the Vacation. |
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| 2. What value(s) are you illustrating in your piece?  |
| My Value is beach with my family house.   |
| 5. Give details about your family.  |
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### **Different Worlds, Same Possibilities**

- "This work represents the different lives and backgrounds people have. The two figures represent the same person, but with different life experiences. Their backgrounds may be different but they can still be alike. They could still connect with each other some day, even if where they come from or how they speak is different."
- Camille Bartus

### A Smile in the Ground

"The smiley face is a symbol that is understood

across the globe. Being such a universal symbol, It was probably the first thing most of us learned to draw. I wanted to portray something as simple as a smiley face in a way that emphasizes its importance. My piece shows two children playing in the dirt with nothing but a stick. At first glance that is all that happening. But when you take a closer look, you can see that what's being drawn in the ground is a smiley face."

- Hannah Gourad

### Yin & Yang -Hand of Order & Crow of Chaos - Harmony

"The abstractness of a dream state pushes and pulls our inner selves in a way that dreams influence the development of our real-life experiences and identities, and they end up becoming our realities"

- Ian Chow

### Dog

"In my mind the prompt of art as a universal

language can mean many things. In this piece, I drew something that everyone can recognize. A dog! Underneath the drawing is the spelling, hand signs, and a braille used to signify that the drawing is a dog. Anyone from anywhere, no matter the language you speak, can at least identify what the drawing is. It is made with a regular school pencil to show that art can be made with just paper and pencil"

- Claire Osiecki

### **Digital Connection**

"Language" means communication, and art is a form of communication for artists to convey their ideas, thoughts, and opinions. We now live in a digital age where people can express their thoughts and feelings quicker and easier, making communication the forefront of people's lives. This also makes it easier for artists to share their ideas with an audience, and allows for them to find an audience. Two people can learn so much about each other through their work alone, which is a way that artists

can communicate using art, and what I tried to

communicate with this piece.

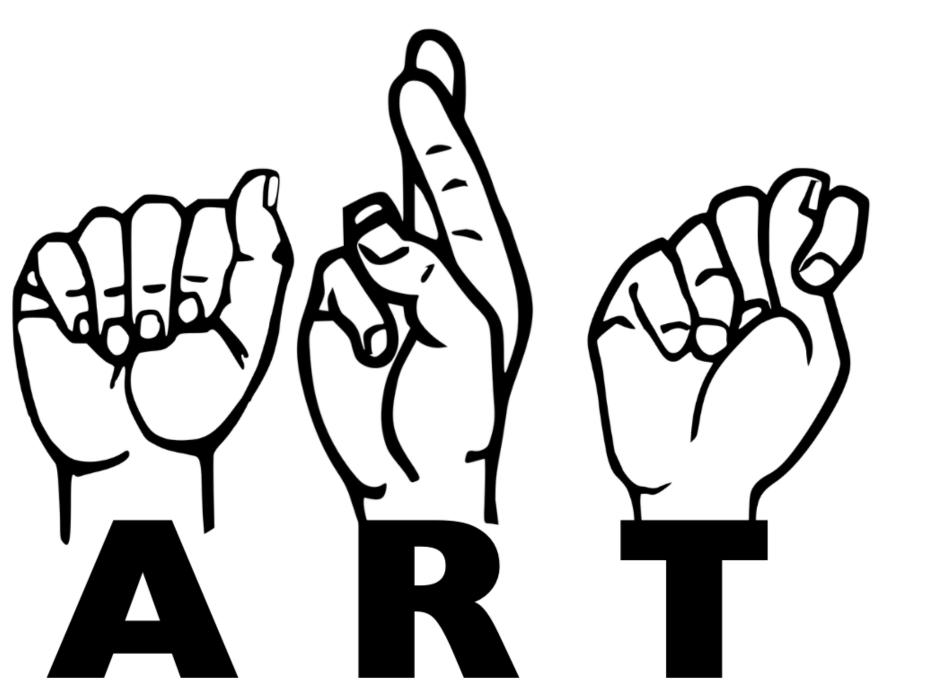
- Emily Liu

### **Golden Splatter**

"Created with Black Paint base and Gold Paint moving down base paint creating the Waterfall-type design."

- Casey Lerner

### CALL FOR ART OPEN TO ALL CT MIDDLE & HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS



### as universal language

#### cARTie invites visual art submissions from all CT middle and high school students that thoughtfully interpret the theme of art as universal language.

All submissions will be included in cARTie's Virtual Gallery and selected works of art will be featured in cARTie's 2023-2024 Juried Art Exhibition. The Exhibition celebrates the power of art as language and grows out of an exchange of art facilitated by Creative Connections between students at the American School for the Deaf in West Hartford, CT and the Machakos School for the Deaf in Township, Kenya. 5 student-artists will be randomly selected to win a \$50 gift certificate to Jerry's Artarama.



