# Gabriael Ankomah June 21, 2024 Personal Essay

My disability played a big part in my decision to pursue studies to become a child and youth worker. When I was in elementary school, I discovered that I have a mild intellectual disability, including dyslexia. Being in a classroom was very challenging but I recieved support and help from, the Special Education Department. When I entered high school I was introduced to a child and youth worker who had a very significant influence on my learning and life.

Because of the CYW, I built up my self-esteem and confidence. She supported me in the areas I felt challenged by and made me realize that anything is possible. I learned to read on my own and not rely on others. Our collaboration was life-changing for me. As high school continued, the CYW was also there for me supporting me with personal issues and dealing with stress. She was instrumental in making sure my disability did not prevent me from staying on track to achieve my goals. I remained determined and resilient, especially in the last two years of high school. It is important to create a safe and supportive environment for children and adults to express their concerns and work together to find solutions. By fostering open communication, building trust, and providing guidance, child and youth workers can help individuals navigate difficulties effectively and develop the necessary skills to overcome obstacles in the future. I feel that my CYW did this for me and I anticipate being able to do this for others.

When I began researching possible career paths, I knew right away that becoming a child and youth worker would be the direction I wanted to go in. In the same way that I was impacted by my high school CYW, I wanted to be the same influence for other youth. I believe my own experience and perseverance, despite my disability, will help me help others with their problems. I want to provide guidance and suppport to young people who may need some direction outside the classroom. Whether they have an intellectual disability like me, or another issue they are facing, I want to guide them through their challenges. Without a doubt, individuals with disabilities working in child and youth roles can serve as powerful role models for both children and adults. By demonstrating resilience, determination, and compassion in the face of adversity, they can inspire and empower others to overcome their own obstacles and thrive. I want to be that role model for these young people.

The CYW diploma at George Brown College interested me immediately. I am so proud of myself for applying and being accepted to the program. I am excited to pursue this

opportunity and fulfill this dream of mine. I know that it will not be easy attending college and receiving a post-secondary education, however it is a goal that I am determined to achieve. I know that with the influence and supports I received from my CYW, I will be able to find success despite my disability.



# Toronto Catholic District School Board Individual Education Plan 2023/2024

Dante Alighieri Academy Principal: Falzon, Caroline OEN Number: 620-470-898

Student Name: Ankomah, Gabriael

Student Number: Date of Birth: Gender: Grade: 812-496-222 2005/04/17 Male 12 Reason to Develop IEP:

Student Identified as exceptional by IPRC.

#### Student Profile

Exceptionality: Mild Intellectual Disability Date of Most Recent IPRC/Waiver: 2023/11/01

Regular Class with Withdrawal Assistance

IPRC Placement Decision:

#### Assessment Data

List relevant educational, medical/health (hearing, vision, physical, neurological), psychological, speech/language, occupational, physiotherapy, and behavioural assessments.

Information Source Date Summary of Results Medical Letter/Report 2019/12/ Student requires additional help as a result of his intellectual disability. 30 Psychology File Note (TCDSB) In light of Gabriel's significant difficulties with academic achievement, it 2017/09/ is essential that he continue to access assistive technology on a consistent basis in order to access the curriculum. Psychology File Note (TCDSB) Review of report indicates student meets criteria for Intellectual Disability in the Mild range. 2015/11/1 Psychological Assessm TDSB Psychology: Mild Intellectual Disability. Limited Processing Speed Skills a relative strength, significant difficulties with Verbal Comprehension, Perceptual Reasoning, Working Memory Skills, with reading, mathematics, writing and listening comprehension.

Student's Strengths and Needs

Areas of Strength	Areas of Need
- Social skills - Computer literacy - Self advocacy	- verbal and reading comprehension - working memory - perceptual reasoning - expressive language skills-writing - receptive language skills-listening - communication skills - functional and Mathematical reasoning skills - decoding - problem solving - fine motor skills - assistive technology(Read & Write)

	Personal Support Required: OYes	@ I40	
revalent Medical Conditions			
□ <sub>Anaphylaxis</sub> □ <sub>Asthma</sub> □ <sub>Diabetes</sub> □ <sub>E</sub>	Epilepsy and/or Seizure General Stud	ent Plan of Ca	are for Other Medical
Conditions Not Applicable	Book Affabilities Acceptance		
Subjects, Courses, or Alternative F	Programs to which the IEP appli	es:	
Identify each as Modified (MOD), Accommodated only (	AC) , or Alternative (ALT).		
ENG4CS English - 2 credit co-op			Accommodated
GLC2OW Career Studies - 1 credit co-op			Accommodated
GPP3O1 Leadership and Peer Support			Accommodated
HPC3O1 Raising Healthy Children	Accommodated		
PPL4OW Healthy Active Living Education - 1	Accommodated		
O Yes (Provide educational rationale)  No			
Secondary School Compulsory Course Sui OYes (Provide educational rationale) No Student is Currently Working towards Ontario Secondary School Diploma Onta	attainment of the: (Complete for secondary students only )	tificate of Acc	omplishment
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Individualized	Equipment:	Yes (List below)	No

SEA	Name	Make	Model	Serial #
	Laptop Computer Dell Con	BM2QPO2		
	Charger			CN-0VT148L0C00

Provincial Assessment							
This is a provincial assessn	nent year No	Yes Type of asse	ssment:				
Exemption of Ontario Secondary School Literacy Test (OSSLT) with Rationale No Yes (list below)							
Deferral of Ontario Seconda	ary School Literacy	Test (OSSLT) wi	th Rationale No Ye	es (list below)			
Permitted Accommodations	No Yes						
ndividual Education Plan for Ga	briael Ankomah 6/21	1/2024 Page 2 of 4 Dante Alighieri					
Human Resources (teac	hing / non-teach						
Position	Type of Service	Initiation Date F	requency / Intensity	Location	of service		
Special Education Teacher	Consultation 2023	/09/05 As schedu	led/as needed	All school-rela settings/location			
Child and Youth Worker	Consultation	2023/10/03	As scheduled/as needed	Guidance Room			
Evaluation and Reportin 2023/11/15 2024/02/07 2024/0 Transition PlanYes The st	4/23 2024/06/26 Alte	rnative Report Ca	ard	Provincial Repo	ort Card		
Transition Goal(s):							
Secondary to Post-Secondary	/ School						
Gabriael would like to pursue He eventually hopes to become Transition Action(s):			through the Ontario Yout	h Apprenticeship	Program.		
	Seconda	ary to Post-Seco	ndary School				
Actio	n Required		Name of Person(s) Responsible for Actions		Timeline		
Counsel/confer with Gabriael this year.	Counsel/confer with Gabriael regarding his course selection for			Special Education			
Facilitate Gabriael thinking ab	out post secondary	career options.	Teacher/Student Special  Education Teacher/Student		Fall and Winter		
Encourage Gabriael to visit po explore programs or options			Special Education Teach	er/Student	Fall		

IEP Developed By:

Staff Member	Position				
Ms. F. Franceschetti	Special Education Teacher (SET)				

Mr. M. Di Leo		Special Education Teacher (SET)
Sources Consulted	in the Development of the IEP	
Information Provide	d by Student	Ontario Student Record (OSR)
Previous IEP		
Date of Placeme	ent in Special Education Program:	(select appropriate option and provide date)
_	ance in new special education program	
First day of the nestudent's enrollment in	w school year or semester in which the stu	ident is continuing in a placement First day of the begin in mid-year or mid-semester as a result of a change
in placement  Date of Placement:	2023/09/05 Completion Date of IEP:	2023/10/12
Log of Parent / 9	Student Consultation and Staff Re	eview and Updating
Date	Activity (indicate Parent/student consultation or staff review)	Outcome
2023/09/13	Letter	IEP Parent letter sent home.
2023/09/18	Letter	IEP Parent letter signed and returned to school.
2024/03/20	E-mail	IEP updated for semester 2.
Individual Education P	lan for Gabriael Ankomah 6/21/2024 Page Toronto Catholic I	3 of 4 District School Board
<b>A</b>	Individual E	ducation Plan 2023/2024
<b>A</b>	Da	ante Alighieri Academy Principal: Falzon, Caroline
Str	udent Name: Ankomah, Gabriael	
Student Number: 8	812-498-222 Date of Birth: 2005/04/17 Ge	ender: Male Grade: 12
	gally required to ensure that the IEP is p	
1		ards and appropriately addresses the student's strengths udent's achievement evaluated at least once every
Princi	ipal's Signature	Pote:
		Date:
Involvement of Pare	ent/Guardian and Student (if student is 1	l6 or older)
I was consulted in the	e development of this IEP Student Parent/0	Guardian
I declined the opportu	unity to be consulted in the development of	
		Parent/Guardian Student

Pare	nts / Guardian And Student Comments:	
	Parent/ Guardian Signature Date:	
	r areni Odardian Ogriature Date.	
	Student Signature(If 16 years or older) Date:	

### Ankomah, Gabriael

### STUDENT GRADUATION SUMMARY

## Dante Alighieri Academy

Student Legal Name Ankomah, Gabriael Student # 812-496-222 OEN 620-470-898 Homeroom GLC2OW-01

 Cohort
 2019-2020
 Birthdate
 2005-04-17 00:
 Gender M
 Grade
 12

 IEP Y
 Mature Student N
 SHSM N
 Counsellor

Diploma Requirement	Required	Earned	Status
Diploma Type	OSSD (1999)	Feb 6, 2023	Met
Total Compulsory	18.00 Credits	18.00 Credits	Met
Total Optional	12.00 Credits	18.00 Credits	Met
Community Involvement	40.00 Hours	50.00 Hours	Met
Literacy Requirement	Eligible	OLC/CCL	Met
Online Learning	0.00 Credits	0.00 Credits	N/A

Area	Comp. Course	Date	Mark	Earned	Part	Notes	Optional Cours
Arts	AMI1O1	2020 01	54	1.00			AVI2O1
Canadian Geography	CGC1P1	2020 06	65	1.00			DCO3O2
Canadian History	CHC2L1	2021 02	75	1.00			ENG2P1
Career Studies	GLC2O3	2021 03	78	0.50			GLE101
Civics	CHV2O3	2021 04	66	0.50			GLE2O1
English 09	ENG1L1	2020 01	77	1.00			GLE4O1
English 10	ENG2L1	2020 11	75	1.00			GPP3O1
English 11	NBE3E1	2022 06	85	1.00			HPC3O1
English 12	ENG4C1	2023 06	78	1.00			HRE101
French	PAL4OE	2023 02	80	1.00		Х	HRE2O1
Group 1	HIF1O1	2019 07	62	1.00			HRF3O1
Group 2	PPL10U	2021 06	65	1.00		@	MFM2P1
Group 3	HRE4O1	2023 02	71	1.00		Х	NBE3C1
Mathematics	MAT1L1	2020 01	65	1.00			OLC401
Mathematics	MAT2L1	2020 11	63	1.00			PAL2OE
Mathematics Sr.	MEL3E1	2022 01	77	1.00			PAL3OE
Physical Education	PAL10E	2020 06	90	1.00			PPL4OU
Science	SNC1L1	2020 01	75	1.00			Total Optional
Science	SNC2L1	2021 06	75	1.00			Additional Cour
Total Comp				18.00			- Additional oodi

7	Optional Course	Date	Mark	Earned	Part	Notes
1	AVI2O1	2022 01	70	1.00		
7	DCO3O2	2023 06	68	2.00		С
7	ENG2P1	2022 07	85	1.00		
1	GLE101	2020 06	66	1.00		
7	GLE2O1	2021 04	75	1.00		
1	GLE4O1	2023 02	65	1.00		
1	GPP3O1	2024 01	80	1.00		
1	HPC3O1	2024 01	85	1.00		
1	HRE101	2020 06	76	1.00		
1	HRE2O1	2021 02	75	1.00		
1	HRF3O1	2022 06	70	1.00		
1	MFM2P1	2023 07	50	1.00		
1	NBE3C1	2023 02	70	1.00		
1	OLC401	2023 01	52	1.00		
1	PAL2OE	2022 01	90	1.00		
1	PAL3OE	2022 06	90	1.00		
1	PPL4OU	2022 06	85	1.00		
]	Total Optional			18.00		
1	Additional Course	Date	Mark	Earned	Part	Notes

## CURRENT COURSES

Course	Date	Attempt	Dont	Bort Att.		Notes	SEM 1		SEM 2	
	Date	Attempt	Part	Α	L	Notes	T1	T2	T1	T2
GLC2OW-01	2024 02	1.00		10	0	С			60	
ENG4CS-03	2024 02	2.00		24	0	С			60	
PPL4OW-01	2024 02	1.00		5	0	С			60	
TOE4Y1- CENT-01	2024 02	2.00		0	0				NM	

**CURRENT COURSES - OTHER SCHOOLS** 

Course	Date	Attempt	Part	Att.		Notes	SEM 1		SEM 2		School
				Α	L	Notes	T1	T2	T1	T2	School

### COURSE REQUESTS



Gabraiel Ankomah 10-390 Driftwood Ave North York, ON Canada, M3N 2P8

Program Name: Child and Youth Care Program Start Date: September 3, 2024

Program Code: C133 Semester/Term 1 - Fall 2024 Campus: St. James ID Number: 101540212

Dear Gabraiel,

Congratulations and thank you for accepting your offer to C133 - Child and Youth Care for Fall 2024 at George Brown College!

We are confident that you will make your career goals come true through innovative learning and real-world experience, in the heart of **downtown Toronto**: <a href="https://www.georgebrown.ca/campuses.">https://www.georgebrown.ca/campuses.</a> You'll find a class of your own and be part of a vibrant community, just steps from **top employers**: <a href="https://www.georgebrown.ca/why-george-brown/connected-to-employers">https://www.georgebrown.ca/why-george-brown/connected-to-employers</a>, and easily accessible by public transit.

## Next Steps:

You will be receiving a Registration Letter & Invoice by email. The Registration Letter & Invoice will be issued starting early May and ongoing after that.

- ✓ Please check this Registration Letter & Invoice and make note of the due date. Please ensure you pay your nonrefundable deposit of \$500 by the stated deadline.
- ✓ To keep your seat in the program, please pay on time.

For more information regarding the tuition deposit and payment, visit www.georgebrown.ca/registernow



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To ensure maximum security, in addition to your username and password, you will be required to have a secondary means of authentication using the Microsoft Authenticator app on your mobile device (phone/tablet). This extra layer of security will significantly reduce the risk of unauthorized access and protect your sensitive information from cyber threats. Follow the steps on this page to set up MFA: www.georgebrown.ca/mfa. If you have any questions please refer to our FAQs www.georgebrown.ca/mfa#faq or email mfa@georgebrown.ca.

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April 10, 2024

## Your Payment Options:

#### 1. Online through STU-VIEW

Your George Brown College Student ID and Password will let you make an online credit card payment on **STU-VIEW**: <a href="http://stuview.georgebrown.ca">http://stuview.georgebrown.ca</a>

#### 2. Online banking

Pay using Internet online banking\*. Please select "GEORGE BROWN COL.-CUR.YR.-TUITION" as the payee; your student ID is your account number.

#### 3. Other

In person at a Financial Institution

For more information about paying your fees and registering, please visit the FAQ page at: <a href="https://www.georgebrown.ca/registernow/faq.aspx">www.georgebrown.ca/registernow/faq.aspx</a> and the Step-By-Step Guide to Paying for College at: <a href="https://www.georgebrown.ca/financialaid/a\_step-by-step\_guide\_to\_paying\_for\_college.aspx">www.georgebrown.ca/financialaid/a\_step-by-step\_guide\_to\_paying\_for\_college.aspx</a>

Students may also be eligible for **financial aid:** <a href="www.georgebrown.ca/financialaid">www.georgebrown.ca/financialaid</a> or awards and scholarships: <a href="www.georgebrown.ca/financialaid/awards">www.georgebrown.ca/financialaid/awards</a> through STU-VIEW.

\*Please note that Internet banking may take 3-4 days to reach George Brown College. You must ensure that George Brown receives your payment by the due date stated on your invoice.

### Placement Test

Please check the Application Summary Page on STU-VIEW to see your status regarding the Placement Test. If you have not completed the test, please book to reserve your spot to ensure that you are placed in the correct English course. For information on how to book your test, please visit: <a href="https://www.georgebrown.ca/assessment/admipost">www.georgebrown.ca/assessment/admipost</a>. Please note that placement testing is taking place online at this time.

We look forward to welcoming you!

Sincerely,

