Tengo Senioritis

Each year many high schools face a peculiar situation. They are infected by a unique disease called “senioritis,” which only affects senior students. You can identify this disease by seeing the lack of interest of students in academic activities, in skipping classes and in lowering their GPA. In my case, I don’t believe that I am going to suffer from this disease due to my domineering parents, my upbringing and my desire to graduate with a strong GPA.

As I mentioned, my parents are domineering due to the fact that they love me and want the best for me, but sometimes I feel it’s too much. Even though I’m a senior and I recognize that I still need help with my workload, I feel sometimes that my parents are too controlling and want me to live my life the way that they think is best for me. But don’t get me wrong; they are good parents and have supported me in many ways.

Secondly, I was raised in a very structured and organized household. Since I was a kid, my parents always taught us that school was our main priority and that we always had to do our best. Plus my parents taught by example to always work hard for everything that we set our mind to. This has helped me establish a good foundation for my future career.

Furthermore, I really want to graduate with a good GPA because it will demonstrate that I had the potential to survive all the challenges that this great school UHS put in my path. It would also show everyone that didn’t believe that I couldn’t survive at UHS that I actually did! Also, this will help me get into college easier.

In conclusion, I don’t think I’m going to suffer from this disease. I have a very supportive and domineering family that encourages me. In my home, I was taught strong values as a child and as an adolescent. And finally, I am motivated to do my best academically and graduate with good grades. I believe that a senior can have fun during this last year at UHS, and not slack off in academics. It’s a matter of balancing your leisure and your time!
Be Careful, Senioritis is Around!

I have been worried about my friends and how they will react to the reality of finally being a senior. I think most seniors don’t treat this year as seriously as the previous ones. The problem is they don’t know that many colleges test a student’s capability and responsibility when they are in 12th grade. Examples of this are presented in an article called “I Have Senioritis,” by Estefanía Montañez. Since senioritis can occur in students our age, we should all be careful not to be one of them. Being lazy, cutting classes and not caring about grades are things we should avoid.

I would say that one of the worst symptoms of senioritis is laziness. I have many friends that are now too lazy to even do a couple of math problems they had no complains about a year ago. This is truly a serious problem and it should be treated with caution. We all get lazy sometimes, but it becomes a problem when you are consistently complaining about everything.

Cutting class is another terrible symptom of senioritis. I think this is the one that affects students the most since it makes the teacher know you don’t care about the class. I also know many seniors who prefer going to sleep on our class sofa instead of going to class. This can lead to getting bad grades and to worse consequences if the student is caught.

This brings me to my third point which is not caring about grades especially during the second semester. Sadly, some students think they won’t count for admission to a university. They are wrong and will have to face negative consequences for their attitudes. Some colleges actually use the second semester’s grades to see if a student is responsible and is doing his or her best. Seniors should be aware of this and care about every single grade.

I’m sure I will not catch this senioritis bug, although I am still worried about my friends’ situations. I hope the ones that are still on the right path can continue that way, and the ones that have symptoms of senioritis can make adjustments before their future is permanently damaged. Being responsible and caring about our studies is the key to being a model citizen and having a successful future.