

***Essay Question: What is the most important lesson you learned while working at the theatre that you think will help you throughout your life?***

I have learned several important lessons from my time being around, and working at the Theatres. My mother has been working for Allen Theatres for the past 32 years now. She met my father there and he worked with her at the Theatres for 6 years. Both my brother and I grew up being around the Theatres so it was only natural that they had me start working there when I was old enough at 15. The Theatre business has been very good to both me and my family and I have learned so many things like how to be reliable, how to be responsible, and how to be hard working.

Being reliable is very important because if people are unable to rely on you, especially business owners, you will end up not having a job or having your hours cut substantially. Being reliable in this setting means that you show up to work on time and you fulfill all of your daily duties on any given shift that you work. This will really help me throughout my life because being reliable is necessary for making connections and working your way through promotions in a job. You can not make it very far in any job if you are an unreliable person.

It is very hard to be reliable if you are not responsible. It is important to be responsible because no one wants to babysit adults. If you are told to do something, whether it be from a manager at work or from a friend or family member, you should be expected to do it and do it correctly the first time so no one has to re-do the job. Not being responsible will most likely lead to the same consequences as not being reliable, losing your job.

Being hard working is probably one of the most important things I have learned from my time working at the Theatres. Being reliable or responsible means nothing if you are not hard working when it comes to your job. Anybody can just show up to work lazy and not put in any effort to what they are doing. Being hard working means you put in all your effort into everything you do in your daily life like work, school, and even household chores. I have had several co-workers who expect to get paid just because they show up. I would never want to be one of those people.

I am grateful for the opportunities that working at Allen Theatres has created for me. Life long lessons that I will take with me on any future job once I graduate.