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Another Fixico Joins the Alumni Association

ALTUS, OK—Being a Lifetime Member of the Western Oklahoma State College Alumni Association has become tradition for the Fixico family. Justice Fixico tells us that his parents and his brother all attended Western and both of his parents joined the Alumni Association in 2012. Justice felt that, for him, becoming a lifetime alumni just made sense.

Justice took his first classes with Western while enrolled in Southwest Technology Center's Biomedical Program when he was a junior at Olustee High School. Justice says that he enjoyed being at the college so much that if one of the Bio Med classes were cancelled, he would still show up on our campus just to hang out.

After completing the Bio Medical Program and graduating from Olustee, Justice enrolled full-time here at Western. Justice was an above average student and says he truly loved the education he received while attending Western. He tells us that he had a great experience on campus and that he loved every class, especially computer. He embraced his time here by supporting his fellow Pioneers at all the different sporting events, shooting pool at the Point with friends and participating in a variety of campus activities. He recalls that some of his favorite memories were hanging out with his brother Jordan, who was a Western Ambassador. When asked if there was anyone who really had an impact on his journey here, Justice says that Maegan Martin, who served in the position of High School and College Relations, was a constant source of support and encouragement to him and he was grateful for her mentorship.

Justice was awarded an Associate in Science Degree in 2018 with his major area of study being biology. He then transferred to Oklahoma State University where he studied premed biology and received his Bachelor's Degree in 2020. Today, Justice is a pharmacy technician at Jackson County Memorial Hospital here in Altus. When asked if he had any advice for those considering college, Justice says, "I highly advise concurrent enrollment because it prepares you for college. If you're unsure about going to a bigger university, I would definitely recommend giving Western a try!"

Has Western left an impression on you? If so, please consider joining the Alumni Association today! Contact Debbie Valerio at 580-477-7784 or email at alumni@wosc.edu for more information.

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