

Ryan

Class of 2020

From: Manhattan

First Year at Horace Mann: The 3's

Favorite Classes: Ethics in School and Society and Physics

Why HM? The teachers at HM are always willing to meet with their students and have a passion for the work they do. HM has allowed me to pursue initiatives that interest me and the teachers and staff have supported me. In particular, I could not have created the Social Impact Investment Club without the HM faculty and administration helping me every step of the way.



Activities: Founder of the HM Social Impact Investment Club, Art Coordinator for the Service Learning Team, Co-President of the HM Business League, Upper Division Orientation (UDO) Leader, Student Ambassador Leader, HMO Peer Leader, Puzzle Contributor to The Record

Out-of-school activities: I created a company named Bronx Built whose mission is to fight poverty by empowering residents of the Bronx. We teach our members skills that provide income for their families. We buy the raw material, pay the participants for the products they produce, and sell the products on our website. Last year we even sold some in the HM Bookstore! The revenues from the sales of the products are reinvested into the company. I also wrote a children's book named *What Is Your Impact? Become a Social Entrepreneur*. The book introduces children to the world of entrepreneurship. The book is designed to expand a child's perspective of different career paths to include entrepreneurship with a special focus on social entrepreneurs committed to tackling some of society's most challenging issues.

Favorite spot on campus: My favorite spot on campus is the photography studio. I really enjoy developing film and enlarging my pictures there.