

## My Vision of 2030:

Pondering on the future is one of those bittersweet feelings — one that has excitement and fear tied along with it. Most of us are naturally inclined to view it negatively — global warming, overuse of technology and increasing stress levels of the youth. However, to someday live a visionary and ideal future, it is vital to know what it looks like for us as a society. When I think about a secured future, the first thing that pops up in my mind is an environment we can proudly call “home.” Our surroundings shape us in various ways, and it is of utmost importance for us to live in a healthy ecosystem. Shades of lush green all around, decreased levels of pollution and clear flowing water are all things to aim for. Going forward, technology is only going to get smarter and smarter. We have to recognize our boundaries with these tools and integrate them into our lives without killing our creativity and problem-solving skills. Quality education for all, regardless of socio-economic background, is non-negotiable. The future generations should be open-minded and accepting of novel ideas. We should aspire to be a society that creates a supportive atmosphere for individuals. Lastly, if we dare to envision a better world, we must also dare to create it — with intention, empathy, and action.

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