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Why Worthington Is A Great Place to Live

As a new third grade student, I dreaded the idea of moving to a new neighborhood; I was terrified that I would lose all of my friends and never fit in again. However, moving to Worthington was one of the best decisions my family made, and after a short period of adjustment, I found Worthington easily restored my sense of home.

Looking back at my move to Worthington, I remember instantly being welcomed to the community around us. Our new neighbors invited us to block parties, Christmas parties, and several other get-togethers, and growing up, my neighbors provided my first job opportunities of mowing lawns, babysitting, and pet sitting. Additionally, I found the people at my new school to be warming and embracing, immediately trying to make me feel part of the class. One particular thing I am thankful for in the Worthington School system is how I grow up with my friends, and we do not have to be separated by switching schools in the transition between grade levels (something I noticed that happened with my friends in different districts). I made great friends that I have kept throughout high school, and I hope they remain lifelong friends. In addition to the great friends I found in Worthington, the Worthington School system has given me a quality education that I am very thankful for. Without the support and knowledge passed down to me throughout the years, I probably would not be aiming to become a doctor.

Another reason I believe Worthington is a great place to live is because I found Worthington to be a place for my family to experience a small town feel in a larger urban setting. Attending the lighting the Christmas tree followed by a treat at Graeters, holiday parades, and Fourth of July fireworks are all traditions that have made me feel a part of this tightly-knit community. Even more, this town is full of rich history since it was founded in 1803. I remember

learning about the history of Worthington during our bicentennial, and going on field trips to historical buildings such as the Orange Johnson House. I think Worthington takes great pride in their historical significance, which makes me proud to say I am from this town.

Over the years, I have grown to think of Worthington as my home, and I am thankful for the opportunity to have lived in a place with so much pride and strength in the community setting. This is why Worthington is such a great place to live.