



## Kiwanis Honors Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center Students Giovanni Rowan Girgis and Jacob Torres January 19, 2021



The Kiwanis Club of Temple City recognized two outstanding students from the Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center. During this time of pandemic our club recognized these great students at a virtual Zoom meeting.

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**Giovanni** is 16 years old and in the 11<sup>th</sup> grade. He is in Mr. Reggie Rios' class. He has a younger brother and enjoys playing football, basketball, driving a lot, working out, and chilling. Giovanni said, "The best things about the Learning Center are the helpful teachers, the support you get from everyone, and the communication." The best thing that ever happened was getting a car, helping his mother pay the bills, and taking responsibility.

If he could change one thing, it would be to not associate with fake and two-faced people. If Giovanni could build one thing, it would be a machine to see the loved ones that he has lost. Personal goals are to finish school, start his own business, and work out more.



**Jacob** is 17 years old and in the 12<sup>th</sup> grade. He is in Mr. Reggie Rios' class. He has four brothers and sisters and enjoys football and all sports, playing video games, and helping others. Jacob said, "The best things about the Learning Center are the teachers, the support you get from everyone, and the students." The best thing that ever happened was being born and getting to grow up to do things and live life.

If he could change one thing, it would be to get rid of Covid. If Jacob could build one thing, it would be more hospitals and new technology to help people. Personal goals he is striving for are to find a good job, save money for a car, and help his family more.

Each month the Temple City Kiwanis Club is pleased to recognize outstanding students and their teachers from La Rosa, Cloverly, Emperor, Longden, Oak Avenue, Dr. Doug Sears Learning Center, and Temple City High School. Students receive a certificate, a letter for their parents, and a bumper sticker. Their photo and story will be posted on the Temple City Unified School District website and on their Facebook page.

Temple City Kiwanis has been serving our community since 1939. Members are dedicated men and women who desire to make a difference in the quality of life for the youth of Temple City. Kiwanis normally meets at 12:00 noon each Tuesday at North Wood's Inn Restaurant. To find out more about Kiwanis, please contact Jerry Jambazian at (626) 643-9460. You can also visit their website at [www.templecitykiwanis.org](http://www.templecitykiwanis.org).