

Winston, first off, congratulations on graduating middle school and moving on to high school. This will be a new, exciting chapter in your life - one that I cannot wait to see.

In this new chapter, there are going to be so many opportunities for fun, for growth, for new experiences that will help shape the man that you will be. Don't rush through these years and don't take these experiences for granted. Every new experience is an opportunity for growth. Learn lessons from the challenges of life and enjoy the good times, there will be many.

As your "Funcle", I have no doubt that everything I said above is merely a reminder of things that you are already likely to do. You are an impressive, intelligent, and caring young man that has an amazing future ahead.

Lastly, I would like to share that there is no one "right" way to succeed in life. You will be presented with many paths towards your goals, Consider your options, focus, work hard, and never give up. You WILL succeed! Just choose your path, continue to be the person you already are, and all the remaining chapters of your life will be rewarding.

Can't wait to see what you accomplish! Take the leap.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Arik" followed by a stylized flourish.

Love, Uncle Arik

