



PRINCIPAL CORNER for November 30th

Where I'm From

Last month I included two poems written by our middle school students based on the poem *Where I'm From* by George Ella Lyons. Mrs. Amy Lee-Despard shared the template created by Poet Lyons with her students as a guide for their own poems. Every one of our eighteen 7th/8th graders composed a beautiful poem that describes and celebrates faith, family and culture.

8th grader Jesus Mares wrote the poem below. He started with us in Pre-K and will graduate in June of 2020.

Where I Am From

I am from football, from Nike, and Under Armor.
I am from the yellow house, in the forest, with the trampoline.

I am from the green pine trees that smell like mint,
And the spiky thorn bushes that always poke me.

I am from Christmas parties with my family,
And good cooking from Blanca, Chuy, and Norma.

I am from politeness and the hard working taught by my parents and my family.

From the Easter Bunny always hiding eggs in the garden on Easter and the Tooth Fairy
bringing me money whenever I lost a tooth.

I am from attending Spanish Mass with my family, and also from praying the Rosary
with my family, whenever something happens to somebody in my family.

I am from Silverdale, Washington, and Mexico,
Tacos and mole.

From grandpa taking my dad to work every day when my dad was young,
From my dad's hard work to help my grandpa the most he can,
and from my dad taking me to work to help him, like he was by my grandpa.

I am from the pictures of my parents in their room, the family pictures in the living room,
and pictures of a lot of family members, some I didn't get to meet, but are still in the
living room.

With joy,
Susan Kilbane