

# CLAIM YOUR YOUTH



Best. Date. Ever.

Your Top 10 inside!

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"Who knew owning a car would take more than gas money.

Gettin' a scooter instead!" -Houston

# Back Pocket

Winter 2013 Newsletter

Sam Baca  
**Model**  
for Success



Grade: Junior

School: K-12 online student

Social: Very

Moved: From Pennsylvania in April

Current city: Dallas, Texas

## On the runway to a dream career

**Claim Your Youth:** What's your plan for after high school?

**Sam:** Ever since I was little I wanted to be a model. I was in pageants when I was a kid.

**Claim Your Youth:** Did you go to school for modeling and acting?

**Sam:** Yup. Graduated in December of last year. Learned a lot about how to take care of my face and body, how to act, walk, talk, and more. I'm going to use all of that knowledge for a Discovery cruise I'm going on. I'll get a chance to talk to agency scouts

there and really show off my modeling and acting.

**Claim Your Youth:** Congrats. So, sounds like you're planning for success. What's next?

**Sam:** I want to be a runway model for Victoria's Secret. Plus, I want to design my own clothes. I'm always drawing pictures of dresses that I imagine. It's fun to find those designs out in the real world. Just the other day I bought a new dress that was in my head days before.

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# Sam Baca Model for Success

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**ClaimYourYouth:** Must be a great dress.

**Sam:** Yeah. It's a strapless, short, black and silver Adrianna Papell. I've already worn it for a photo shoot. We went to the Fort Worth Stockyards and took pictures all around it. They look amazing. We took like 700 photos. They are for my portfolio and headshots.

**ClaimYourYouth:** What does success mean to you?

**Sam:** I guess being rich. And that means having enough money and stuff so you don't have to worry.

**ClaimYourYouth:** Where do you save your money?

**Sam:** In the past I put my money in a water jug. Now I have an account. I put my money there so I don't spend it.

**ClaimYourYouth:** Do you have a Plan B, if modeling doesn't work out?

**Sam:** If I can't be in front of the camera I want to be behind it. Or go to college for a totally different thing. I used to like forensic science, so maybe go for that.

**ClaimYourYouth:** Got any role models?

**Sam:** When I was little my mom was my role model. She was the one who got me interested in it. But now that I'm grown up, Tyra Banks is one of my idols that I want to be like. I also look at other models' poses and see what I can do in my shoots.

**ClaimYourYouth:** What about the rest of your friends?

**Sam:** My friends support me by saying "you're pretty," "you'll do it," and always reassuring me. My family supports me with the expenses. My grandparents, who I live with, help with everything. Isaac is more of a friend. He talks to me about the industry and how he thinks I can make it. Photographers tell me I can make it too. And that's nice to hear.

**ClaimYourYouth:** What do you do for fun?

**Sam:** I love to go hip-hop dancing. I don't know if I'm any good at it, but really who is?

## Top 10 Best. Dates. Ever.





# Invest in You

"A good friend becomes a best friend when you learn that you can trust the person to be there for you."

—Cassidy

by: Justine Green



Know that \$300 jacket you've been eyeing? Or that trip to Italy you want but costs \$3,500? Feel hopeless? There's a way to get what you want. All you have to do is invest in "you." First, pick something you're good at to start your new business. Maybe you can knit or make jewelry, take care of dogs or work on cars.

Next, invest a little money into yourself. As the old saying goes, "You've got to spend money to make money." And it's totally true. If you need to buy materials for your business, get software, or take a class, then do it. Just stay in your set budget and start working toward your goal.

## You're worth more than that

Before you can sell your merchandise, services or talents, you're going to need to set a price and stick to it. Don't forget to add up all your costs and then mark it up so you make a profit. For example, let's say you want to make and sell bracelets.

If you buy a package of 100 beads for \$10 and use 20 beads per bracelet, you've gotta charge more than \$2 per bracelet to make a profit. Plus there is the cost for the string or twine. Your time is worth something too. A good estimate here might be to charge \$5 per bracelet, depending on how long it takes to make and post each one online.

## Start selling



With any luck, you'll be making money the minute you start working. If not, keep at it. As long as there's a need for what you're selling, people will find you. That is, as long as you let people know on Facebook, Twitter, and more.

Whatever you do with the money, don't feel obligated to keep doing your new job unless you love it. Being young means trying lots of new things... including career options.

## Rock it!

- Glee
- One Direction
- Tweeting about Lady Gaga
- Instagram
- iPhone 5
- Anything Jonah Hill
- Pretty Little Liars
- MTV's Awkward
- Kindle Fire

OR.



## Wreck it!

- Make it or Break it
- Rebecca Black
- Tweeting about Katie Perry
- Angry Birds
- Android phone
- Anything Charlie Sheen
- The Bachelor
- MTV's Jersey Shore
- Android tablet

# Guys vs. Girls



What guys like to see on a girl What girls like to see on a guy

- Hair that isn't done to death ★ ★ Hair that's seen a comb and gel
- Something nice, not Kardashian ★ ★ Something that matches
- Heels ★ ★ Shoes. Real shoes.

- Like her closet didn't cough the outfit on her ★ ★ T-shirts, jeans and hoodie are fine
- Natural eyes and less makeup ★ ★ Fashion glasses
- Whatever she's comfortable wearin' ★ ★ Whatever makes him comfortable



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## Looking for a Little Extra Cash During the Holidays?

Whether you need extra gas money because you're planning on driving more than usual to visit friends and family or buying gifts for them, you may find yourself needing more cash this time of year. The good news is that Winter seems to be as good a time as any to make a little cash on the side, especially since you have a couple weeks off school.

Since you will be out anyway, start a shopping service where you offer to pick up holiday gifts or food for people that you know for tips or a small fee. You could also offer to put up holiday decorations for neighbors.

Believe it or not, some people don't find untangling the Christmas lights very fun and will pay good money to have someone else do it for them!

On the flip side, you can also save money this Winter by making gifts rather than buying them. Family members love to get gifts with lots of thought and time put into them rather than lots of cash. Cook a nice dinner for your parents, bake cookies and decorate them or offer a free family car wash! What other ideas do you have? Share them on our facebook page!

