



SAVES

Counting on Accounting

Ms. Gloria Ramos, a SAVES Program contact at Robert Morgan Vocational & Technical Center, recalls with great joy the day Hyun Jeong Park walked into her office seeking SAVES services. A quiet and well-mannered individual, Ms. Park left an indelible impression on Ms. Ramos: determination.

Hyun was born in South Korea, and in 2001, she made her way to the U.S. Her first destination was New Jersey. Unlike Miami, the New Jersey area has a thriving South Korean community which prides itself on carrying on the lifestyle left behind in their native land.



Hyun Jeong Park and the Robert Morgan SAVES team

The first obstacle for Ms. Park was getting used to the yearlong warm, humid weather of South Florida. She loves cold weather, but a determined attitude to succeed helped her acclimate to the local conditions.

After enrolling in the SAVES Program, Ms. Park focused her attention on overcoming her second obstacle: learning English and earning a vocational certificate that would help her land a good paying job. Hyun excelled in her ESOL classes,

and in little time she was able to read, write and speak English fluently. She even managed to learn some Spanish to communicate with her classmates. Following the advice of the SAVES staff at Robert Morgan, Ms. Park then enrolled in the Accounting Operations Program, which she recently completed.

Ms. Park is very grateful that SAVES covered her vocational tuition and provided her with all the books and materials needed to complete her studies. This allowed her to fully concentrate on reaching the goals she had set out to achieve the day she walked into the SAVES office. None of this would have been possible without the caring and dedicated staff at Robert Morgan Vocational & Technical Center. Hyun is especially thankful to the SAVES staff: Ms. Alnerys Ferro, Ms. Luz Arango, and Ms. Gloria Ramos, and to her Accounting Operations teachers Ms. Bevelin McLaughlin and Ms. Ann Turk-Bryant.

The future is very bright for Hyun Jeong Park. Her plans are to enroll in college and earn a degree in accounting. Ultimately, Ms. Park wants to open her own business and possibly return to the Northeast to enjoy the changing seasons and the brisk winters which she dearly misses. On behalf of the SAVES Program, we wish her all the luck in the world.



Future accounting wiz at work

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