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Although this week was not typical due to the winter storm that Texas got hit with, causing blackouts all across Texas! Me and Vanessa I, my mentor, did get to meet the week before the storm hit, and within that meeting, it was super interesting to continue brainstorming all the ideas on how we should go about doing my final project. The blackouts have set us a little behind, but before, we had planned a meeting with a man who is starting a program for breaking the stigma and bringing awareness to students, staff, and even parents about learning disabilities. We want to join him and, of course, brainstorm more ideas to help the future students of Frisco ISD and everywhere that just because you learn differently doesn't mean you are less intelligent. I always like to think we need outside-the-box thinkers. I was also making a presentation with Vanessa and made a google form to help bring awareness for anyone who has had a hard time relating to school because they were different. Be able to tell their stories to make a difference and show that things do happen behind closed doors even though it seems like it doesn't you would be surprised how many horrible comments are made every day about learning disabilities and how much that can affect a student especially coming from a teacher. A family member and most commons are said because people don't understand and just don't know what they are talking about, and that is why I want to tell people so a change can be made it high time we stop

making fun of people just because they learn differently. I want to do this because of the trauma that the school system put on me that means all the teachers that ever made a dyslexia joke or even the days where everyone in the class got a fantastic grade except for you, and everyone started telling you it was because your dyslexia and can never be as smart as a typical student. I want to make a pathway for all future learning disabilities students to walk on and be proud of their differences and be happy to be labeled an out-of-the-box thinker. Because in a world where schools are pushing out in the box thinking and no creativity, it is always good to have been that can see and learn a different way. I want to break the stigma and teach teachers that it is not because we are lazy. It is not that we are stupid. We take a little longer to get the concept, which builds a work ethic. Therefore, overall I know we have so much more to do and learn and with such little time left, but I am very confident that when we are done that this will make a change and, if not be the start to a domino effect in which someone will, either way, it brings awareness to something that should have been already broken a long time ago!

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