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Chris has mentored more than a dozen high school students into first-generation college students. His interest in pop culture of all varieties (and even certain obsessions) has been paramount in relating to youth. He uses those dynamic references to make a point and keep his audience entertained. His countless hours of social media-scrolling and Netflix binging seems to have a positive side-effect after all!