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Career Day

Episode #302

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Careers: **Theater Star – Ty Forhan**
 Professional Soccer Player - AJ DeLaGarza
 Elementary Science teacher – Lisa Niver Ranja
 Dietitian – Ashley Koff

General Synopsis for Episode #302

In this episode of Career Day, viewers meet four passionate professionals whose careers take them on stage, the field, the classroom and the kitchen. The youngest professional in this episode is Ty Forhan, the **lead performer** in the Broadway musical ‘Billy Elliot’. Fourteen-year-old Ty started acting at the age of 5 and dancing at the age of 9 in Canada. He attends school backstage before rehearsals since he travels all over the United States performing. He calls his career ‘surreal’ by being able to perform to a live audience and feel their energy. **Professional soccer player** AJ DeLaGarza is a defender for the LA Galaxy. His passion for soccer started at the age of 4. Being a dedicated soccer player and champion, he shares ‘you must be prepared for every practice and every game, it is a 24 hour job’. AJ loves what he does and would like to represent the US in the World Cup. **Elementary science teacher** Lisa Niver Ranja love of science began at an early age when she dissected a cow eye with her father. As a dedicated teacher, Ms Ranja does not want her students to see science as scary but fun and exciting and it is everywhere. She explains that teaching the 4 -5 lessons and activities a day is like getting to play in her dream job. As a **Dietitian** Ashley Koff educates people how food and skin products affect their body. Dietitians are medical specialists who work with doctors to help patients of all ages to create specific diet plans to meet their health goals. She also tries out dietary products for companies and provides them with feedback. She feels rewarded when clients make health changes that make them feel better. Career Day facts between each segment provide the young viewers with statistical information about career changes, college majors and percent of BA degrees in the U.S.

Observation and Conclusion

In Episode #302, young adults are introduced to talented experts in their unique field who discuss their background, work, education/training, and experiences that prepared them for their career. Each segment of Career Day delivers an educational and informational message that supports current social, intellectual and emotional aspects of children ages 13 and up. Attributes and advice emphasized by guests instill a grounded balance of priorities, dedication, and perseverance children can apply to their lives.

Sincerely,



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