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MARVIN ROBERTS

HOWARD LUKE
ALTERNATIVE HIGH SCHOOL

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Marvin Roberts plans to make a couple of million dollars before he retires.

And the senior at Howard Luke Alternative High School plans to work hard to get there. That's one reason Marvin's favorite book is "The Count of Monte Cristo" by Alexandre Dumas.

"It shows how anybody in the 'pits' can get on top of the world," he says.

His teacher, Renee Singh, sees Marvin as a goal-oriented, well-rounded person.

"He works hard to establish standards for himself and his peers," Singh says. "He is respected by his peers and is looked up to by the younger students who attend Howard Luke Alternative."

Marvin is always enthusiastic in class and helpful toward others, she says.

"Marvin has developed motivational skills to establish and maintain high standards for himself," she says. "Marvin is a serious student."

His favorite subjects are business math, accounting and computers, Marvin says. "So by doing these, I figure to get an edge in this area and be more successful in college."

His future plans are to attend the University of Alaska Fairbanks and major in business. He hopes to learn Japanese, he says, "because it would open up so many possibilities for me after college."

Besides academic success, Marvin has been involved with his school's Native dance group, which he performed with at the Gubernatorial Ball last year. He is co-captain of the basketball team.

"Basketball is my sport," he says. "I love it. I could play it all day and every day."

Marvin's heroes are people who are successful, he says. "Because it motivates me to be successful like them."

The most interesting thing Marvin has learned lately is not to miss school, he says.

"I've missed a lot of school and it showed on my grade report," he says. "I'm trying hard though and it will also show."

