I BELIEVE

What do I believe?

I believe in many things. In my right to an education.

In every person’s right to an education.

I believe that you can’t really know yourself without being vulnerable.

I believe in human dignity.

I believe that chocolate milk is way more enjoyable than white milk.

That everyone should have the same access to the basic necessities of life.

I believe that at our core, we all want the same things, and we are not all that different.

I believe in the right to choose. I believe that my life is a gift

And every other life is also.

I believe that we all face choices everyday, some big, some small. That we try to deny those choices in others is fundamentally wrong. But given freedom to make choices we sometimes put others in jeopardy. This is also wrong. Our choices should also reflect what is right for the greater good as well.

I believe that beauty is everywhere. I believe we must take time to acknowledge and appreciate the beauty around us, for without it life would be empty.

I believe that we must make mistakes. Without mistakes we cannot get better, and we must always seek to improve.

I believe every one has the right to speak,

And every voice should be heard, even the ones we choose not to follow.

I believe in teaching “why” before teaching “how”.

That in the seeking of knowledge comes real fulfillment.

I believe that children should come with a handbook.

I believe that different people come into our lives at different seasons.

Some will stay for a few days or weeks. Some will stay for a lifetime.

Each of these relationships has value. They each shape us into who we are and who we want to be.

I believe that money doesn’t buy happiness, but I’d like to test that theory for myself.

I believe that teenagers are impossible to understand.

I believe that we were created by God, but

I do not understand why.

I believe that every life has value.

This value is intrinsic and innate and cannot be taken away by anyone else.

Every person deserves the opportunity to live a rich, full life. To love, and be loved.

To empower, and to be empowered. To treat others as you would like to be treated.

This will change the world.