

## **Santiago Transcript**

**Santiago:** During high school, I hung with the wrong crowd and I never graduated.

**Ernest:** I helped Santiago in many different ways like all fathers do, because he always wanted to go to college.

**Santiago:** I felt a little embarrassed to come back to school, but eventually once I came here, I knew that it's for a bigger goal.

**Jodie:** He was very dedicated, hardworking. He connected with his teachers, connected with the other students – that was one of the key reasons he was able to keep forging ahead.

**Ernest:** It was amazing to see him graduate. This was one thing that meant so much to him, and of course, it meant so much to us too.

**Santiago:** With the help of my father and having my son, it was all the motivation I needed. That support is everything.

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