

# William Shan

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## Education

### Stanford University

September 2018 — June 2022

- Will study at Stanford University after a self-structured gap year of self-improvement and skill acquisition.

### Lynbrook High School

August 2013 — June 2017

- GPA: 4.0
- SAT: 2370
- Awards/Accolades: Optimist International School Wide Leadership and Service Award (x2), Department Academic Award for French (x2), Department Academic Award for World History, Harvard Book Award, Silver Medalist in National French Test *Grand Concours* (x2), 2014 National Champion of FBLA E-Business competition, 2015 State Champion of FBLA Website Design competition.
- Other Distinctions: Eagle Scout, Varsity Volleyball Player.

## Experience

### [Personal Development Coach] Orenda Education Initiative

January 2017 — Present

- Serve as a paid personal mentor for middle school and high school students, with the primary aim of helping young students become more self-directed. [Orendaacademy.com](http://Orendaacademy.com).
- Coach adolescents to unpack critical topics such as managing stress, excelling academically without burning out, building skills quickly, developing productive work habits, and developing healthy communication with parents and peers.
- Guide parents to help them build a more wholesome relationship with their child.

### [Cofounder and Leadership Teacher] Develop Summer Academy

July 2016 — August 2017

- Directed a summer academy intended to help middle school students acquire skills overlooked in traditional classroom settings. [Develop.academy](http://Develop.academy).
- Developed and taught original curriculum for courses such as Leadership, Written Communication, and High School Superstar. Instructed 24+ students and generated \$6000 in revenue over two weeks in 2016. Instructed 40+ students and generated \$20,000 over four weeks in 2017.
- Featured in the *Cupertino Courier* and received a Congressional Commendation from Rep. Ro Khanna (CA-17)

### [President] Lynbrook High School Student Government

June 2016 — June 2017

- Coordinated and guided 30 peers through a year of team development, personal growth, and planning of 25+ school events for 1600+ students. Pioneered new events such as a school lip dub to foster school pride, a mental health month to tackle stigma, and a compassion week to promote kindness.
- Represented student voice in the Parent Teacher Student Association, Intradistrict Council, and School Site Council.

### [Cofounder] Action, Classfinder, LHSCampaign

June 2013-Present

- Conceived the following web applications; I wrote the website content, executed promotional plans, communicated with users, and identified UX and technical flaws.
- **Action**: a browser extension that integrates with Google Docs to help users run meetings and assign action items. Action was featured on the front page of Product Hunt and won “Best Application” at Silicon Valley’s 2014 Code Day. It has been used by teams from Magic Leap, UC Berkeley, Google, and more. [Meetaction.com](http://Meetaction.com)
- **Classfinder**: a web application that allows students to share their schedules and see those of other students for the upcoming school year. Used by several schools. [Classfinder.me](http://Classfinder.me)
- **LHS Campaign**: a website designed to help facilitate student government campaigning. Visited over 22,000 times by 1400 users in 2016 alone. Officially licensed for use by Lynbrook High School. [Lhscampaign.cf](http://Lhscampaign.cf)

## Interests

### Hip Hop Dance and Choreography

- Choreographed and taught several dance pieces to groups of 30+ for hip hop performances and showcases.

### Creative Writing

- Currently teaching as a private writing tutor for several middle school and high school students.
- 1st place winner of 2016 Cupertino Historical Society Essay Contest.
- 1st place winner of 2013 Asian American Parents Association Essay Contest.