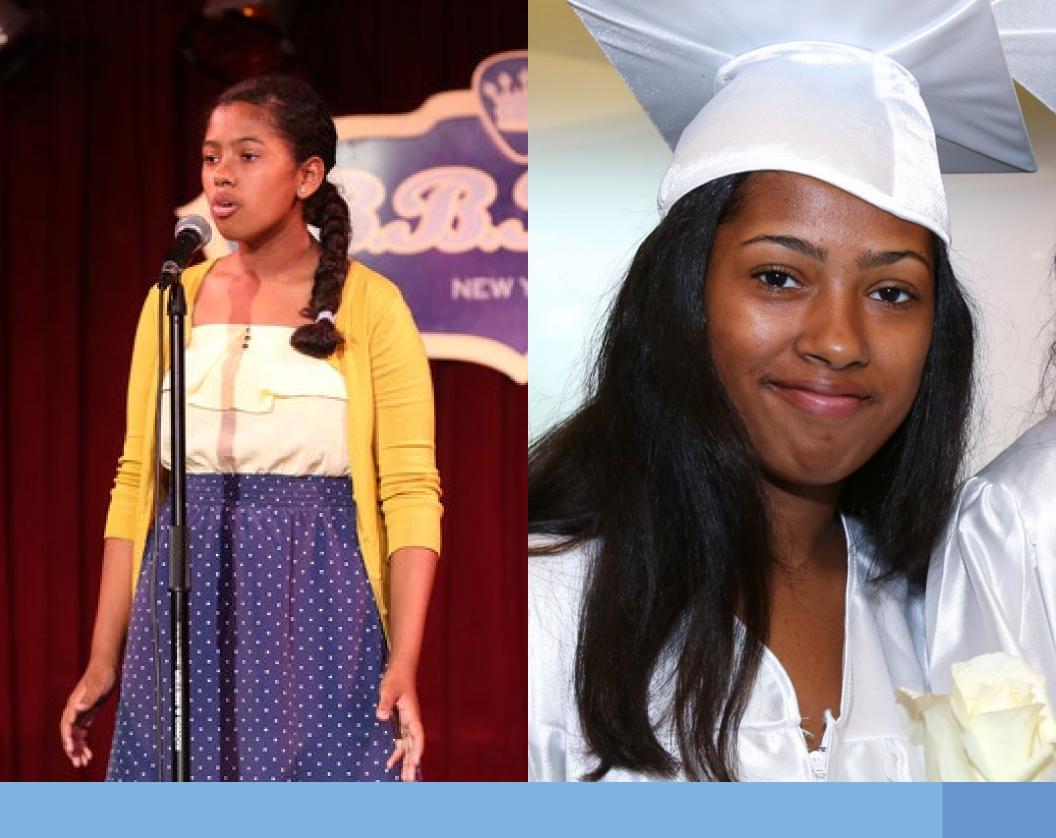# ALEJANDRA

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Born and raised in New York City, Alejandra is among the eldest in a long line of Batistas who have attended EHS. Alejandra and her sister Alexas (EHS `19, St Jean Baptiste `23) joined cousins Alexander (EHS `13, Beacon `17, Manhattan College `25) and Katelyn Batista (EHS `18, Cristo Rey `22) at EHS.

Alejandra graduated from EHS in 2014 and attended Beacon High School. Alejandra is now a senior at Skidmore College, where she is majoring in Business and Spanish. She is the DEI coordinator for Women in Business at Skidmore and a marketing intern at the Saratoga Senior Center. Previously, Alejandra has worked at Camp Vega in Maine and as a Summer Semester teacher here at EHS. Being a teacher at EHS was "fun and interesting" according to Alejandra. She used both perspectives—as a teacher and student—to formulate lesson plans that were as effective as possible. She was honored to teach alongside long-time summer semester volunteer Anne Robinson, who recently retired from St. Bernard's faculty.

While reflecting on her time as a student at EHS, Alejandra remembered the school's robust meditation practice. She said she meditates often in college, particularly before important presentations in her business classes. But the biggest lesson EHS taught her, Alejandra says, is "to use my voice and share my ideas. I always remember when Ivan said, 'If you have something to say then say it.' This powerful statement inspires me every time I'm in the classroom because my thoughts are just as valid as my peers."

After graduating from Skidmore, Alejandra hopes to work as a consultant.

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