NELLY B.

Hardworking, Empathetic, Humble

"If you haven't **failed** yet, you haven't **tried** anything." -Reshma Saujani



BIOGRAPHY



Nelly B., a senior in the 49ers STEM Leadership Institute (SLI), intends to pursue a major in Computer Science or Sociology. Her passions center around social justice and helping people to feel represented. While she hasn't always been a "STEM" person, through SLI she eventually found an interest in deciphering puzzles and finding solutions.

This interest led her to participate in a Girls Who Code event, which not only showed her how computer science can be very useful, but also introduced her to the issues that result from the gender gap and lack of diversity in the field of computer science. Having discovered her enjoyment of computer science and the social implications that would arise from her joining the field, Nelly choose to pursue computer science.

When she isn't pursuing her STEM and social justice interests, she spends time weightlifting, increasing her awareness of mental health issues, and taking care of those she loves and herself. She deeply appreciates the value of education and the sacrifices her parents have made to help her gain her education. She loves being around her family and friends and she always makes sure to make time for them in her day.