Joel Y. Abu

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Education Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT)

Cambridge, MA

Candidate for Bachelor of Science

May 2029

Frederick High School (FHS)

Frederick, MD

Class Rank: 3rd out of 478; GPA: 4.0/4.0

May 2025

Coursework in Calculus, Physics, and Latin

Work Experience

National Cancer Institute, LCDS

Fort Detrick, MD

Segmentation Scientist Intern

June 2024 - May 2025

 Segmented and modeled several multiciliated centriole cells using data collected via FIB-SEM to create 3D models

- Communicated insights from 3D segmentations at a summer poster day
- Trained by and eventually assumed role of lab's postbac who specialized in segmentation with Dragonfly ORS

Kumon North Frederick

Frederick, MD

Center Assistant

Mar 2024 - Jun 2024

Graded and prepared homework and classwork assignments for over 40 students

Activities & Awards

MIT Motorsports FSAE Team

Cambridge, MA

Electrical Team / PCB Design

Sept 2025 - Present

FIRST Robotics Competition Team #7886

Frederick, MD

Team Captain

Aug 2021 - May 2025

FHS Model United Nations

Frederick, MD

Senior Member

Sep 2022 - May 2025

FHS Computer Science Honor Society

Frederick, MD

Club Secretary

Sep 2022 - May 2025

Naval Horizons Essay Highest Honors Award (x2)

Aug 2023 and Aug 2024

Received awards from Department of Navy for essays on science

topics

Project Experience

Electric Longboard

Jun 2025 - Present

 Building an electric longboard with a self-built lithium-ion battery pack, USB-C PD charging, and a belt-pulley system

Brushless Motor Robot Actuator

Sep 2024 - Mar 2025

 Designed with Onshape and assembled a robot actuator using a quadcopter motor and a two-stage belt-pulley gearbox

Skills

Google Suite, Java, Figma, KiCad, Altium, Soldering, Onshape, Dragonfly ORS