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From Musician to Dawg

Hi, my name is Sean Turner and I am lost in the world!



I'd say my life officially began when I started playing French horn at the age of 12. Everything prior was just build up. I discovered I had a natural talent for it very early and had an intense drive to succeed. I played it all throughout middle school and started building my resume from there. Being a member of the Georgia Middle School All-state band both 7th grade and 8th grade, I was living my best life. When I started high school, I decided to only care about this instrument, nothing else. By my senior year I was first chair horn in three extracurricular groups, made All-state for high schoolers, and attended the prestigious Tanglewood Summer Institute two summers in a row. I then attended the New England Conservatory of Music where I learned something about myself.. I'm disappointed I hadn't tried more. I realised horn was no longer a passion but just something I was good at. I decided to take a gap year thinking it'll help me clear my mind, but it ended up being a horrible experience. No friends, no other skills, no passion. On top of that, my parents went through a divorce and I got to go through it with them. I was lost and scared and didn't know where to go after the year was over. When I got the acceptance letter from UGA, I felt an excitement I hadn't experienced in a long time. I was finally able to recognize a path to take. I might feel lost as I discover my

new passions but I just have to remind myself that this is just another build up towards a lifetime
of success.