

I am a 46 year old woman who had made the decision to quit school in high school. It was not the smartest decision in my life, but we can't go backward, only forward. As the years went by I had three little mouths to feed which meant working to help support my family. Before I knew it, years had flown by, and I still had not gone back to school to achieve my diploma. I never thought it would be possible, and I gave up. I figured I had waited too long.

When circumstances at work arose that required I get my diploma, I had a meltdown feeling at my age it was not possible. I did not think I would pass the math because I did not have any Algebra in high school. I was extremely stressed, but my wonderful husband encouraged me. He did some research and found Turning Point Education Center. We set up an appointment for me and I met Michelle Ellis and completed an assessment. With her help, I realized I had the potential to achieve this goal. I started classed and met a wonderful teacher, Rena Ball. She made it all easier for me to understand. Both of these ladies encouraged me and gave me confidence. With this wonderful support, I was able to achieve my diploma. I am so happy the State of Indiana has this program for people like me to have an opportunity at a second chance.

I want to thank Turning Point and the State of Indiana for this opportunity. I want to thank Michelle Ellis and Rena Ball for their encouragement and support. I have passed my Work Keys with a 6 and just had an interview with Cook Medical. Thank you for making this all possible.

Sincerely,

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