

Know Me

NAME **Robert**

PASSION **Gaming**

My Story

Hi, my name is Robert and I am 37 years old. I live in Massillon, but I graduated from McKinley and am a huge Bulldogs fan. I have a big family and like spending time with my mom Penny, my brothers Marion and Allen, and taking trips to visit my sisters Stacy and Kayla who both live out of state. I have a niece named Paislee, and a nephew named Hudson. This summer we all got together for a family reunion in Tennessee. I got to spend time with my grandparents and we also had a huge family water balloon fight! I share a house with two roommates and my cat Snowball who sleeps with me every night. I am a hard worker, very independent, good at speaking up for myself, and someday I want to have my own house and a nice car to drive around.

I have worked at Papa Bear's restaurant for over five years and I love my job. Thanks to my transportation provider Andre I'm always on time and never miss work. Most of the time I work in the dish room, but I'm always willing to help out with whatever my manager needs. A couple months ago I started bussing tables with help from my job coach Keith and my manager Lori. They helped me learn the job, and now I can help out even more around the restaurant. My co-workers at Papa Bears are like family to me. My Manager Lori helps me calm down when I'm feeling overwhelmed with work, and my friend Ray takes breaks with me and cooks me food when I work an extra-long shift. Going to work every day and knowing that my co-workers depend on me makes me feel like I can accomplish anything I put my mind to. I can't imagine working anywhere else, and someday I'd like to be a manager at Papa Bear's so I can help other employees like my managers help me.

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When I'm at home I like to cook and bake. My favorites are goulash, chicken noodle soup, and vegetarian chili. I also like to bake cookies, and sometimes I'll make M&M cookies or energy bites and take them to my friends at work. I like to play video games to relax, especially Grand Theft Auto. When it's nice out I might go for a walk to the corner store or to the park to play basketball. I've always been interested in big-rig trucks, and I like to read Truck Paper Magazine and watch trucking simulators on YouTube. I like listening to all types of music, especially country and pop, and I love going to live concerts. I got to see both Carrie Underwood and Taylor Swift!

Dan Kinsinger, Stark DD Service and Support Administrator (SSA) said about Robert:

"Robert is one of the hardest working guys I know! His job at Papa Bear's and the relationships he's formed with his co-workers serve as a great source of pride in his life. He always looks forward to going to work, and continuously pushes himself to develop new skills and adapt to the changing needs of his employer. His dedication and willingness to learn have helped solidify him as an invaluable team member that any employer would be lucky to have. His team of managers at Papa Bear's along with his job coach have done an exceptional job of ensuring Robert has the support he needs to not only succeed, but thrive in his career."



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