

COVID-19 Journal Entry

May 9th, 2020

Covid-19 has definitely taken a toll on my family and me. Both my mom and I were laid off from our jobs. Luckily, we both applied for unemployment benefits and that has been a huge help for us both. Both me and my brother are supposed to graduate this semester. I just feel really bad for my mom because as an immigrant parent she has been waiting for this moment her whole life. Although we can't celebrate this achievement right now, hopefully we will get to in the future. Also, staying home all day was hard at first, but I am slowly getting used to it. Whenever it starts getting hard, I just think about how lucky I am to even have a roof over my head. I should be grateful because many people don't especially in this tough time.

May 10th, 2020

A lot of people have been protesting because they are demanding the ban be lifted. Also, I have seen a lot of hate crimes to Asian Americans. There have been many small Asian businesses vandalized due to COVID-19. Furthermore, I saw two videos that took place in New York that was very disturbing. One of the videos was Police officers handing out face masks to a predominantly white neighborhood. On the other hand, there were police officers beating up African Americans that were disobeying the stay in home orders. Both groups were doing the same exact things yet faced completely different reactions. It's just sad that people think that violence and intimidation is the answer especially towards minority groups.

May 11th, 2020

Healthcare workers are being verbally abused by strangers, which makes no sense to me. I've seen many videos where healthcare workers go into gas stations and stores in their uniforms and they are getting harassed by people. It's so frustrating because people are doing this out of fear and misinformation. They don't deserve to be treated that way especially when they are risking their lives to save others.