

## Storm's Next Prodigy

My name is Allen Mumm and I am going to persuade you as to why I am the next Storm prodigy. Let me start by telling you who I really am and what I have done.

Who am I? I am fifteen years old and a sophomore in high school. I have a great personality and sense of humor. I am about six foot tall and stocky. That's me! I look at myself as Wes Malott, based on his looks, except better looking, and how he bowls. I love to bowl as you could expect. I have been bowling since I was three. I have a younger brother that has been bowling for five years. If it was not for me, he would not have started bowling. The real person to honor in getting me to bowl is my former babysitter, Jolene Ketelsen.

I just completed my freshman year in high school, where I lead the high school bowling team in average. Not only did I lead in average, but I was also voted as a member of the All-District team. During this league, I was carrying about a 190 average. I was not only on the high school bowling team, but I was in about five different bowling leagues during the year. I bowl Saturday Morning Challengers, Travel League, Youth-Adult League and High School team. There are many things I have achieved this past year. For example, I finished second in the Iowa State Youth tournament in Division II in All-Events and also placed third in a local scholarship tournament. With these two achievements I have accumulated two 700 series and four 279 games. If I can win this competition, it would provide me firsthand experience with a professional bowler to help me get my first 300 game or possibly an 800 series.

I really do believe I could become something great but I am in need of an extra push. I know since I am only fifteen, I have time to develop into your greatest prodigy. I bowl once a month in the Greater Iowa Scholarship Bowling Tour tournament, with some of the best youth bowlers in the nation. Some of these youth bowlers even bowl for the men's Wichita State

bowling team. I have gotten close but have never made it to the final round of the tournament. Only the top nine, out of one hundred plus youth boys, that enter make it to the finals. So this field is tough to beat. If I can get hands on experience with a professional bowler and some new equipment, it could give me the push I need to overcome the struggle I have set. If I did make it to the finals, my chances are superb for winning and I know if I win, I am Storm's Prodigy!

I believe I am destined to become something great. I am just at a standstill and need a boost to becoming the greatest Storm prodigy you have seen. My friends think that I have great hair to prove that I am the next prodigy. I just know with some help and some new equipment, great things are sure to happen.