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Fortitude, dedication equals success for Santa Rosa Satellite’s Nadine Wade

Bachelor’s, master’s from UNM next on list

The following is an excerpt of an article written on Luna Community College Santa Rosa Satellite student Nadine Wade. To read the complete article see Tuesday’s Luna Light.

Six years ago Nadine Wade walked into the Luna Community College Santa Rosa Satellite inquiring about GED classes. Last week, Wade submitted a petition to graduate with an associate’s in teacher education.

It took perseverance, dedication and fortitude, but for Wade it has all been worth it. And a two-year degree is not where it stops. Wade intends to enroll at the University of New Mexico and begin earning a bachelor’s. Wade has not ruled out earning a master’s degree as well.

“When I first started college, I was



Nadine Wade is pictured with her daughter Amillia who will be one on Jan. 22.

kind of scared,” said Wade. “I don’t do well with a lot of people. The instructors at Luna have helped me out a lot. They have been very considerate every step of the way.”

Wade moved to Santa Rosa from Palm Springs before she graduated from high school.

“If I would still be living in California there would be no way I would have gone to college,” says Wade.

After earning her GED, Wade found out she had cervical cancer.

“I was treated for it and doctor’s told me I couldn’t have kids,” said Wade. “My boyfriend and I were thinking of adopting. In April, 2010 I found out I was pregnant.”

Her daughter Amillia will turn one later this month.

“She’s the best thing that ever happened to me,” says Wade. “Having her makes me want to continue to go to school.”

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Luna Community College Mass Media Communications student Alexandria Burnquist prepares to begin doing filming for the college’s commercial. Students will begin editing the commercial this semester. LCC President Dr. Pete Campos has committed to finding resources so the commercial can run statewide.

