"I chose Luna!" Santa Rosa's Jared Serrano says Luna his first choice

Cozy, compassionate and committed. These three words may be overlooked in the English dictionary, but to Luna Community College student Jared Serrano they are words that he says best describe the College.

"I like the size of Luna, so that makes it cozy," says Serrano. "I feel that the staff, faculty and administration all give me a reason to feel that there is a lot of compassion here. Not just a false feeling, it's an actual feeling of compassion. Through all the ups and downs that this college has gone through, I have seen true commitment from most everyone. There is a want for this college to succeed. It's difficult for a person to be committed to something they don't believe in."

Serrano, a 2015 graduate of Santa Rosa High, had three college choices—New Mexico State, Highlands and Luna.

"The big factor that made me choose Luna is that when I came here I was treated as an individual," says Serrano. "Luna employees made me feel that they were here to help me rather than help themselves. It's been great being at Luna. I have zero regrets coming to school here."

Serrano is majoring in Media Arts and



Luna's Jared Serrano likes the college's helpfulness. Serrano says that he had an opportunity to go to two other colleges but chose Luna because of how he was treated.

Film Technology.

I would love to get a job after earning my degree here," says Serrano.

"I want to design products and logos for companies," says Serrano. "I like to create. It's fascinating watching something come to life and let other people see it. It's an amazing feeling."

Serrano says that he has recommended Luna to friends.

"The thing I tell them is to come to Luna first and then transition to a bigger college," says Serrano. "People here will prepare you to go into a bigger environment."

Like many, Serrano is hopeful that the Higher Learning Commission will see how the college has changed.

"We're on the right track now; we just need to keep following this trend of improvement," says Serrano. "I want to see other people get the same opportunity I have. If there's one thing Luna can improve on is for the college to have more campus activities. However, first and foremost is the quality of education, which is fine. I feel that I'm getting as good of an education as my friends that went to other colleges."