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A Look Behind the Curtain



An Excerpt from *Dropout* by Jesus Vicente Ramos

Tony: Bro, school be driving me crazy. All this things that we have to do in order to graduate high school.

Javi: Then people be talking about how high school is easy.

Tony: Maybe it was easy back then, and they don't know what is high school nowadays.

Javi: You right, but they also have to understand that us as students go through a lot of stuff every day just to do good. People have their ups and downs, and sometimes is not easy for us to keep up with our good level.

Tony: People don't get that, they think that we are prepared for anything, but in reality we as teenagers we are not stable, and with all the stuff that social media brings to us, is just wild...

Javi: I'm done, done ok?!

Tony: What you mean?

Javi: I'm dropping out.

Want to know what comes next? This new play and many more will be performed by professional actors at next weekend's EPIC Showcase.

EPIC Showcase is a festival of plays and monologues written students who participated in Silk Road Rising's EPIC (Empathic Playwriting Intensive Course) Program this spring.

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