



WISDOM

"Most of what I try fails, but these failures are often invisible, while the successes are visible. I have noticed this sometimes gives others the impression that most things work out for me.

As a result, they are more likely to attribute their own failures to themselves, rather than the fact that the world is stochastic, applications are crapshoots, and selection committees and referees have bad days."

-Johannes Haushofer

MISCELLANEOUS FAILURES

Multiple short stories rejected for publication.
Dumped by several girls, once for my best friend.
Expelled from 6th grade safety patrol for extortion.
Built pinewood derby racer that came in last place at son's scouting event
Kicked out of 2nd grade Christmas choir for singing too loud.
Last student in class to learn to tie his shoes.
Lost 40 pounds, only to gain it back.
Lost 70 pounds, only to gain it back.
Broke hand in community theater mishap.

DR. JOE CLARK

RESUME OF FAILURE

EDUCATION FAILURES

Accepted and/or Started but Never Finished Degrees

Case Western Reserve University, Masters of Social Work
University of Akron School of Law, Juris Doctor
Kent State University, Masters of Journalism

JOB SEEKING FAILURES

Rejected for Teaching Jobs

Bedford High School (twice)
Archbishop Hoban High School
Woodridge Middle School
Revere High School
Wadsworth High School
Jackson High School

Rejected for Administrative Jobs

Wadsworth High School Assistant Principal
Tallmadge High School Principal
Barberton High School Principal
Tallmadge City Schools Superintendent
Springfield Local Schools Superintendent
Highland Local Schools Superintendent
Revere Local Schools Superintendent

ATHLETIC FAILURES

Missed penalty kick in soccer playoff game, 7th grade
Missed penalty kick in soccer playoff game, 8th grade
As soccer senior, lost starting position to freshman
High school tennis record of 2-14
Soccer coach's words at senior banquet: "Joe does not have talent, but he tries hard."
Dropped out of Akron Half-Marathon after being last runner at five-mile mark