AFTER EFFATS

"Before Home, After Coming"
(Part Two)

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TEASER

FADE IN:

INT. BRIGHT’S HOUSE – NATHAN’S ROOM – NIGHT

NATHAN talks into his webcam, as he makes a video. He throws confetti at the camera.

NATHAN
And that confetti symbolizes homecoming, and the freedom of the spirit that comes along with it! Now let’s do some research on how to take confetti out of your keyboard. JK, the “O” is jammed.

(beat)
So, I just got here from the homecoming game, which we lost. I know, pitiable. Also, I’m sorry I haven’t talked to you lately, but I’ve been a little depressed. I found out Miguel is not gay, and that he’s not taking me to the dance. He’s actually taking a girl to the dance. I know I told you I was like a hundred percent sure, but then again I’m not good with percentages. Or math in general. The good thing is I’m happy for him, not really, and I’m getting over him, this one’s true. And all of this brings me to a message that I prepared for my friend Masky, and it goes something like: Masky, Miguel is straight, which means neither of us get him, which means I’m not scared of you anymore! On this wise, suck on it!

(beat)
Yeah, I just improvised that, so don’t judge me! But that’s it for today, I have to go to sleep since tomorrow is the big day everyone’s been waiting for, unless you weren’t invited. So, yeah, talk to you later, nosy biitches!

He stops and uploads the video without hesitation.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL – CLASSROOM – DAY

ALLISON beautifies her nails. LANDON and BLAKE sit around her.
ALLISON
So, what’s your “great” idea?

LANDON
Eek! We could hide close to the doors, and when the fag enters we scare him.

ALLISON
Are you shitting me?

Allison throws the nail polish at Landon.

ALLISON (CONT’D)
With that prank you’ll look gayer than him, and you owe me that nail polish.
(turns to Blake)
Do you wanna contribute, Blake?

BLAKE
(joking)
Are you gonna throw nail polish at me?

ALLISON
(serious)
Maybe.

BLAKE
(serious)
OK. Uh... I was thinking one of us could throw water on him, and the other flour. It’s pranking one o’ one.

Blake and Landon nervously wait for Allison’s reaction.

Allison raises her finger as if to say something, and then out of nowhere she throws a handful of markers at Blake.

ALLISON
I like it.

BLAKE
What was that about?

ALLISON
Landon you’ll throw the water, and Blake you’ll throw the flour. I’ll watch and enjoy.

LANDON
Eek! It seems like you’re using us to carry out your plans.
ALLISON
(authoritative)
I am using you. Be gentlemen. Gay cat has no idea of what awaits him.
(beat)
Now pick up all this mess!

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - CAFETERIA - DAY

Nathan, LUCY, and KIM sit at their regular table. MINNY arrives friendlier than usual.

MINNY
Nathan, the friend that I love the most. CC is fat anyway.

NATHAN
Oh gosh, that is so mean. I thought I was your best friend.

MINNY
Yeah, whatever. I think we are going to the dance since my mom didn’t let me go to the club.

NATHAN
Surprisingly, I can’t. I was invited by some friends in my sociology class.

LUCY
Who?

NATHAN
Toby Truth and Wayde Nandi.

KIM
They were in our speech class last year, weren’t they?

NATHAN
Yeah. They’re cool.

KIM
They’re nice.

MINNY
I need you Nathan Bright. Who am I gonna go with?

NATHAN
Violet is also looking for someone to go with, so I’m pretty sure you can go together.

(MORE)
NATHAN (CONT'D)

(beat)
I have to leave. Got to go print something. Wanna come?

MINNY
(ignoring the question)
Violet who?

NATHAN
Violet Pururul.

When he says “Pururul” it sounds like “Purrr...”

NATHAN (CONT'D)
I have to leave cause they’re gonna close the library.

Nathan walks away. Minny turns to the girls; confused.

MINNY
Purrr...?

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - LIBRARY - LATER

Nathan sits at a computer, with his METUBE page open.

He clicks on his latest video, and scrolls down to the comment section -- a few comments have been posted.

Suddenly Nathan’s jaw falls open.

ANGLE ON a comment: “Unfortunately, Micky is not gay, boo! But I still have the note, and today is reveal-it-during-the-dance day. So, yay for me!”

Signs With love, Masky.

SMASH CUT TO:

“AFTER EFFATS”

END OF TEASER
ACT ONE

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - LIBRARY - SAME

Nathan is slack-jawed. He bites his lip as he thinks.

NATHAN
(whispers)
Fuck, fuck, fuck!

Nathan opens his inbox and types a new message to Masky. He reads as he types:

“I’ll give you money in exchange of the note. I’ll buy it, I’ll buy it, I’ll buy it, I’ll buy it!”

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - CAFETERIA - LATER

CC joins Minny, Lucy, and Kim. Minny is on the phone.

MINNY
Keith?... It’s Minny... No, we dated last year... for like two weeks?... Yeah that’s me... Keith? Keith, are you there?
(to the girls)
He hanged up on me, what a whore! What does strumpet mean?

No one seems to know.

CC
Wait, what happened?

MINNY
My mom hates me.

CC
O-kay. So, what happened?

MINNY
She won’t let me go to the club, and I’m not staying home.

CC
Then come to the dance, tell Nathan.

MINNY
Nathan is already going with some random guys from his sociology class.
CC
Oh, then you can tell Violet, I heard she was looking for someone to go with.

MINNY
Violet Purrr...? Who the--

CC
(interrupts)
Heck!

MINNY
(continues)
Is that?

CC
She’s in our Spanish class!

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - SPANISH ROOM - DAY - FLASHBACK

The teacher, MRS. DARZ (55), sits on her desk as she talks to the class.

No one pays attention.

CC eats a hamburger, and Minny is fast asleep. Meanwhile, VIOLET PURURUL (18) and Nathan write mean things about each other on the board.

MRS. DARZ
I graduated high school still a virgin, and proud. Needless to say, I did have a sexually active life in college. Many, many, many men. Like a lot.

Some students look up disgusted.

END FLASHBACK

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - CAFETERIA - SAME

Back to the table.

MINNY
I can’t recall anything from that class.

CC
Just invite her.
MINNY
But I barely know her, I can’t even pronounce her last name. How do you even spell it?

CC
Well, get to know each other. To make it fun, your goal can be to learn how to spell...

MINNY
Spell what? Her last name?

CC
No, I’m done with that sentence.

Minny squints her eyes.

CC (CONT’D)
I’m just kidding. You’d have to learn the alphabet first.

Minny acts offended.

CC (CONT’D)
Kidding again. Just invite her and have fun.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - LIBRARY - LATER

Nathan clicks through some pictures. MIGUEL appears out of nowhere.

MIGUEL
Hey, what are you doing here?

NATHAN
Oh hey, I’m looking for some pictures for a project.

MIGUEL
For what class?

NATHAN
Health.

MIGUEL
Oh, is that the research presentation?

Nathan nods.
MIGUEL (CONT’D)
I’m also doing it. I got “The Internet”, pretty narrow. What did you get?

NATHAN
Potatoes.

MIGUEL
Well... potatoes are interesting.

NATHAN
Of course.
(beat)
And what are you doing here?

MIGUEL
I’m a library assistant.

NATHAN
Only you would be a library aid.

MIGUEL
(correcting)
Assistant. I think the term aid belittles me.

NATHAN
Nope, I don’t think it’s the term.

MIGUEL
Well, whether is the term or not, I still have to put up some books. So, I’ll see you later.

NATHAN
See you.

Miguel disappears behind some shelves.

Nathan turns to the computer, and open his MeTube page again. He has a new message.

NATHAN (CONT’D)
(reads whispering)
You can’t buy this note. You can’t buy revenge.
(beat)
What? Revenge from what?

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - BEHIND GYM - DAY

Allison and DYLAN make out passionately.
From a safe distance, SOMEONE snaps a picture of the lovers.

MONTAGE - VARIOUS

INT. CC’S KITCHEN - EVENING
CC eats fried chicken by herself.

INT. NATHAN’S BATHROOM
Nathan turns the shower on.

INT. MINNY’S ROOM
ANGLE ON Minny’s phone, a text from Violet reads: “At seven.”

INT. CC’S BATHROOM
CC comes out of the shower.

INT. NATHAN’S ROOM
Nathan struggles to tie his tie.

INT. MINNY’S BATHROOM
Minny applies her make up.

INT. CC’S ROOM
CC curls her hair. She stops and bites a sandwich. She continues with her hair.

END OF MONTAGE

INT. BRIGHT’S HOUSE - NATHAN’S ROOM - EVENING
Nathan’s PHONE RINGS. He picks up.

NATHAN
Hello?

INT. CONVENIENCE STORE - CONTINUOUS
Wayde waits in line with a huge teddy bear.

WAYDE
Nate, it’s Wayde. I’ll be there in, like, twenty minutes.
INTERCUT between Nathan and Wayde.

NATHAN
Oh, OK. I’m ready, I mean, I’ve been counting floor tiles for the past fifteen minutes, so I think I’m ready. Actually, nope, I still got the kitchen floor to count.

WAYDE
Sorry for that.
   (beat)
Also, Toby wasn’t able to come. We ate at “The Mariachi Loco” last night, and let’s just say he’s not available today.

NATHAN
What? You ate at “The Mariachi Loco” and didn’t invite me? I love their burritos, great to lose weight.

WAYDE
We can go another day if you want.

NATHAN
I’m just kidding, but yeah it’s fine. We’ll still have fun. Who needs Toby anyway? No one.

WAYDE
Yeah. Well, I’ll be there in few minutes.

NATHAN
OK, bye.

It’s Wayde’s turn in line.

EXT. CC’S HOUSE - LATER

ALLAN knocks at the door with a bouquet of roses in hand. A beautiful white limousine waits in the driveway.

Allan shakes with nervousness.

The DOOR OPENS and reveals CC in a beautiful shiny blue dress, her hair looks perfect for the occasion.

Allan freezes at the sight. After a moment he reacts and hands the roses to CC.
CC
Thank you.

ALLAN
You look beautiful.

CC
Thank you. You look good too.

ALLAN
Thanks. So, do I have the pleasure to walk this beautiful lady to her carriage?

CC awkwardly stares at Allan.

CC
Yes, but please don’t talk like that. It’s annoying.

ALLAN
OK.

CC and Allan walk to the limousine.

INT. MINNY’S HOUSE – DRIVEWAY – LATER
Violet’s car is parked on Minny’s driveway.

INT. VIOLET’S CAR – CONTINUOUS
Minny and Violet just sit back annoyed.

MINNY
Try again.

Violet tries to start her car, but all she can’t get is the sound of her ENGINE as it struggles to start.

VIOLET
Oh my gosh, nothing.

MINNY
Your car is a total asshole. Try again.

VIOLET
It won’t work. I literally have been trying for like two hours.
MINNY
(checks her phone)
It’s actually been like five minutes, but whatever let’s go.

VIOLET
Where?

MINNY
Shut up and follow.

They get off the car.

EXT. BRIGHT’S HOUSE – DRIVeway – CONTINUOUS

Nathan walks up to Wayde who leans against an elegant blue limousine.

NATHAN
(re: limousine)
Oh my God, this thing is beautiful. I was only joking about the blue color.

WAYDE
Well, I wanted to surprise you.

NATHAN
I’m surprised.

WAYDE
Are you ready to go?

NATHAN
Yeah, there’s a hundred and thirty tiles in the kitchen.

MINNY (O.S.)
Hundred and fifty.

Minny and Violet approach. Nathan and Wayde look at each other.

END OF ACT ONE
ACT TWO

EXT. BRIGHT’S HOUSE - DRIVEWAY - SAME

Nathan and Wayde turn their attention to Minny and Violet, who approach them.

MINNY
That’s what I do while I wait for you to get ready. Count floor tiles.

NATHAN
(surprised)
Minny, what are you doing here? Aren’t you supposed to be at the dance?

VIOLET
(re: herself)
Oh my gosh, Nate. How can you ignore this beauty?

MINNY
(to Violet)
Thanks.

VIOLET
I meant me.

NATHAN
Hello Violet. Hello Minny. Now, what can I do for you?

MINNY
Take us to the dance.

VIOLET
My car broke down.

NATHAN
Well, Wayde invited me.

MINNY
(looks at Wayde)
I’m sure he’s fine with it, right?

WAYDE
Yeah, sure. Why not?

VIOLET
I totes love this limo.

MINNY
OK, let’s go.
Nathan gets in the limo. Minny and Violet push Wayde aside and climb in the limo.

EXT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM - NIGHT

CC and Allan’s white limo arrives to the school. The limo driver opens the door for them.

As they approach the door a woman receives them.

WOMAN
Hello there, can I see your tickets please?

CC smiles at Allan.

ALLAN
Tickets?

CC smile fades away.

WOMAN
Yes...

ALLAN
(turns to CC)
Uh... CC... I kinda forgot to buy the tickets.

CC
Kinda?

WOMAN
I’m sorry, but without a ticket you can’t enter. So sorry.

CC
That’s fine, I didn’t even wanna come anyway. I dress like this everyday, I just cut on the make up a little.

CC walks back to the limousine. Allan follows.

ALLAN
I’m so sorry, CC. I totally forgot.

CC
It’s OK. Just take me to wherever.

ALLAN
Well, we do have the limo for the night, and I know the perfect place to take you.
INT. WAYDE’S LIMOUSINE – LATER

The limousine is packed with gorgeous flowers of all kinds with a big teddy bear in the middle.

Minny and Violet sit between Nathan and Wayde. Violet retouches her make-up, while Minny texts.

They all ride in an awkward silence.

EXT. OH MY BURGER – DRIVE THRU – LATER

CC and Allan look at the menu.

ALLAN
Can I get the double meat burger with no onion, and a lemonade, please?

CASHIER
Yes, sir. What else can I get for you today?

CC
(lady-like)
Uh... can I please get the chicken salad?

CASHIER
Would you like anything to drink with that?

CC
A diet soda, please.

CASHIER
Can I get anything else for you?

ALLAN
Yes, please. Can I get a crispy chicken classic sandwich, with no onion or pickles, two large french fries, a sweet chili chicken burrito, with extra chicken, a number five with no onion, and a Professor Pepper. No onion in anything.

CASHIER
Would that be it for you, sir?

ALLAN
Yes, please.
INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM - NIGHT

MUSIC BLASTS all over the gym, neon lights move from place to place.

Two big screens hang on the front wall, where the DJ is also located.

Nathan, Minny, Violet, and Wayde stand among the crowd.

VIOLET
Oh gosh, I’m like dying of thirst.

NATHAN
Me too, let’s go get something to drink.

WAYDE
I’ll go.

NATHAN
No, don’t worry. You stay with Minnish, I’ll bring you something.

VIOLET
Oh my gosh, Nate, I’m waiting.

NATHAN
Gosh, I’m going.

Violet and Nathan get lost in the crowd. Minny and Wayde stand in silence.

WAYDE
So...

MINNY
What?

WAYDE
What?

MINNY
What were you gonna say?

WAYDE
Nothing. I like to use the word “so” sometimes.

Minny stares at him for a beat.
MINNY
So, what’s up with the big ass teddy bear?

WAYDE
What teddy bear?

MINNY
So, you don’t remember the teddy bear? Oh yeah, you probably couldn’t see it because of the ridiculous amount of flowers around it.

WAYDE
What flowers?

MINNY
You know what I’m talking about, don’t make me hit you.

WAYDE
They came with the limo.

MINNY
What about the bear?

WAYDE
They. They, as in the bear and the flowers.

MINNY
Oh really?
(takes out a note)
So, why does this note I stole say “for Nate”?

WAYDE
Oh gosh the U.S. Mail nowadays, how outrageous to use limousines as delivery vehicles.

MINNY
Do you like Nathan?

WAYDE
OK, listen. If I do, that’s none of your business. Who are you anyway?

MINNY
I’m the one that’s gonna slide your throat open if Nathan comes to me with a complain about you.
WAYDE
Whoa! A little overprotective, aren’t you?

Minny takes one step toward Wayde.

MINNY
(serious)
In second grade a kid hit him with a ball “accidentally”, and let’s just say that kid fell from the swings that day... accidentally.

Wayde takes one step back.

WAYDE
We’re just friends, that’s it. I’m not gay.

MINNY
(threatening)
Then stop flattering him.

ON THE OTHER SIDE OF THE GYM

Nathan and Violet walk back with the drinks. Allison, Landon, Blake, Dylan, and Marco hang around together.

ALLISON
(to Nathan)
You don’t even say hi.

Nathan turns to Allison.

NATHAN
Hi.

Nathan starts to walk away.

ALLISON
Wait.

NATHAN
What?

ALLISON
Why are you leaving? Blake is here.

NATHAN
Oh, I see.

ALLISON
Aren’t you happy to see him?
NATHAN
Just as happy as you are to see Dylan.

MARCO
(jealous)
What?

ALLISON
(nervous)
Nothing. Don’t listen to him, he’s just trying to change the topic.

NATHAN
Whatever, I have to go.

Nathan and Violet begin to walk away. Allison stops Nathan.

ALLISON
(whispering)
You’re gonna regret it, be prepared.

NATHAN
No, you be prepared.

Nathan pulls himself away from Allison and walks off. Allison turns to Landon.

ALLISON
(authoritative)
Go.

ON THE FRONT SIDE OF THE GYM

SOMEONE’S HANDS connect a flash drive to the DJ’s computer. No one seems to notice.

EXT. PARK - NIGHT

The stars and the full moon light the night.

CC sadly eats her salad, while Allan eats his hamburger. CC looks at the rest of the food that Allan ordered.

CC
Are you really gonna eat all that?

ALLAN
Are you really gonna eat just that?

CC
(lying)
Yeah, it’s good. This is what I eat everyday.
Allan hands CC one of the bags of food.

ALLAN
Don’t lie to me, I know you better than you think.

CC smiles and takes the bag.

CC
Was it Minny or Nathan?

ALLAN
Neither. I’ve been watching you since day one, and you eat quite a bit.

CC
(embarrassed)
Oh. So you’ve been watching me smearing my face with mayo?

ALLAN
Yeah, and that’s how I know I really like you.

CC
Thanks.

ALLAN
Just telling the truth.

CC
No, I meant the food.

ALLAN
Oh.

CC
Just kidding, I really appreciate your words. Now stop making me sound so cheesy. I prefer my cheese on food.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM - LATER

Minny and Wayde lean against a wall. Nathan and Violet arrive with the drinks.

MINNY
Finally gosh, what took you so long?

VIOLET
Some random plebeians were bothering us.
MINNY
Who do I hit?

WAYDE
Who?

NATHAN
Just Allison, and her puppets. Again.

MINNY
She’s a bitch, don’t worry.

NATHAN
I’m fine.
(beat)
Which by the way, guess who brought her to the dance?

MINNY
The devil?

NATHAN
Almost, it’s actually no other than the disgraceful Marco Garcia.

MINNY
(not impressed)
So? I don’t care. I’m so past him, I mean, I care more about the cable guy than that kid. Plus, I have a boyfriend, and his name is Juan.

NATHAN
OK, I get it. I was just making a comment. And by the way, Juan is like thirty.

MINNY
Twenty five, OK?

VIOLET
Guys.

Landon and Blake approach Nathan.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM’S CLOSET - CONTINUOUS

The same HANDS from before force an electrical box open. Wires from all colors are neatly connected.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM - CONTINUOUS

Nathan and the guys turn their attention to Landon and Blake.

NATHAN
What do you want, Landon?
LANDON
Eek! I just came to say hi.

Nathan notices two cups of water on Landon’s hands.

NATHAN
What’s up with the drinks?

LANDON
Just some drinks I brought you.

NATHAN
Why two?

Landon splashes Nathan with water as he talks.

LANDON
Because one is for your hair, and the other one is for your face!

Simultaneously, Blake throws a bag of flour on Nathan.

Everyone around starts to laugh.

Out of nowhere, Wayde throws himself on Blake and punches him, hit after hit. Blake punches back. The crowd now CHEERS for them.

Meanwhile, Minny pulls and kicks Landon in the groin. Landon GASPS. Minny then throws him on the floor. Landon rolls in pain.

Nathan looks from side to side unsure of what to do.

ANGLE ON Allison as she enjoys everything from the side. A smirk forms on her face.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM’S OFFICE - CONTINUOUS
The HANDS violently tear a bunch of wires out.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - GYM - CONTINUOUS
The fight continues when, all of a sudden, the gym goes completely dark. The fight stops.

Some people SCREAM, as others BOO. Some people leave the gym.

MASKY (V.O.)
(to Nathan; whisper)
Now it’s my turn.
Suddenly the two big screens turn on. The crowd goes completely quiet.

A masquerade appears on the screens. Then a question pops up across the screen: “Don’t you love karma?”

CLOSE UP ON Nathan’s terrified expression. He bites his lip as he waits for the next slide. Then... his jaw drops in astonishment.

ANGLE ON the big screens. The picture of Allison and Dylan as they make out glows in high definition, as the word “CHEATER” moves across the screen.

All kinds of insults can be heard toward Allison.

All the lights go back on.

Everyone turns to Allison, who ironically stands between Marco and Dylan.

Marco gently moves Allison out of the way, and then blows Dylan across the face. The crowd goes wild. Dylan fights back.

Allison opens her way through the crowd - angry.

END OF ACT TWO
ACT THREE

EXT. PARK - LATER

CC and Allan walk along a beautiful lake. They hold hands.

CC
This was a great night. I’m kind of glad that you forgot to buy the tickets.

ALLAN
Yeah, forgot.

CC
You planned this, didn’t you?

ALLAN
It depends.

CC
On what?

ALLAN
What if I told you that I did?

CC
(joking)
I would be mad.

ALLAN
Then I didn’t.

CC
You sophomore!
(beat)
Oh my gosh!

ALLAN
What?

CC points to the grass sprinklers that start to go off in front of them. CC tries to run away from them, but Allan stops her.

CC
What are you doing? Come on!

ALLAN
Don’t run away from things ‘cause they’ll reach you eventually, run through them and get them over with.

CC and Allan start to run through the sprinklers.
INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - BATHROOM - LATER

Nathan washes his face. Wayde helps him clean his hair, he holds a paper towel to his nose.

WAYDE
(re: flour)
What is this? Cement? I can’t take it off your hair.

NATHAN
(turns to Wayde)
You’re bleeding.

WAYDE
I know.

NATHAN
Thank you. No one ever does this for me. Except for Minny, she once pushed a kid off the swings because he hit me with a ball. The kid was bleeding a lot.

WAYDE
Yeah, she kind of told me about it.

NATHAN
Did she tell you who the kid was?

WAYDE
No, do I know him?

NATHAN
Yeah, it was Toby. Toby Truth.

WAYDE
(surprised)
Oh. That’s funny.

NATHAN
It kind of is, but anyway, thank you.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - HALL - CONTINUOUS

Minny waits outside the girls bathroom. Marco comes out of the gym.

MARCO
Hey. Minny?
MINNY
Oh, hey Marco. How’s everything with Allison? I heard things are going great.

MARCO
I see you haven’t lost your sarcastic side.

MINNY
Congrats, you noticed.

MARCO
I also noticed you with that guy, who is he anyway?

MINNY
I’m sad to inform you that that’s absolutely none of your business, Marco.

MARCO
Just answer me that one question.

MINNY
I would if you were my boyfriend, but you cheated on me, remember?

MARCO
I know but...

MINNY
OK, I’ll answer it if you answer mine.

MARCO
OK.

MINNY
How does fucking karma feel like?? Bitch!

Minny opens the door to the bathroom, but Marco stops her before she can enter.

MINNY (CONT’D)
(annoyed)
What?

MARCO
What does this feel like?

Marco takes Minny by force and kisses her passionately on the lips. Minny gives into the kiss.
EXT. PARK - CONTINUOUS

Allan stops CC under the water. Tired. He runs his hand through her face.

    ALLAN
    Thank you for giving me your company tonight. This is the best night of my life.

Allan slowly approaches CC until his lips meet hers.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - BATHROOM - CONTINUOUS

Wayde tries to take the flour out of Nathan’s hair.

    WAYDE
    So, did you like the dance?

    NATHAN
    (sad)
    Well, it was definitely not what I expected, but at least I got to ride on limousine.

    WAYDE
    You sound sad.

    NATHAN
    A little bit. I mean, it was my first dance ever, and I ended up with flour on my hair.

Wayde climbs on the sink.

    NATHAN (CONT’D)
    What are you doing?

    WAYDE
    Making your night better.

He turns on a fire sprinkler. He climbs down.

    WAYDE (CONT’D)
    Better?

    NATHAN
    (excited)
    Yeah, I guess. Now what?

Wayde takes Nathan in his arms.
WAYDE

We kiss.

Wayde kisses Nathan intensely under the light sprinkle of the water.

But...

ANGLE ON the bathroom stall. The HANDS snap a picture.

INT. BARTON HIGH SCHOOL - CAFETERIA - MORNING

Nathan, CC, and Minny at their usual table. Surprisingly, CC doesn’t eat anything from her tray, and Minny doesn’t text.

NATHAN

Cecilia, where were you Friday?

CC

Don’t call me that, sounds gross.

MINNY

You missed a lot.

CC

I was with Allan at a park, eating.

MINNY

So, you pretend us to believe that you were at a park all night?

NATHAN

I believe her.

CC

Yes, that’s exactly what happened. He forgot to buy the tickets, so he took me to the park.

NATHAN

Seriously?

CC

Well, he didn’t buy them on purpose, so we could hang out by ourselves.

MINNY

Smells fishy to me...

NATHAN

It’s “sounds fishy”.
MINNY
Oh, that’s why it sounded fishy.

CC
I swear that’s all we did. Well...

MINNY
What?

CC
We did kiss.

NATHAN
Oh my God! Seriously?

CC
Yeah, under the grass sprinklers.

NATHAN
What? You stole my dream.

MINNY
(out of nowhere)
Marco kissed me.

CC
What?! 

NATHAN
Marco? The Marco?

Minny nods.

MINNY
That’s not the worst part...

NATHAN
Don’t tell me you had sex!

MINNY
No, that would’ve been better.

CC
What is it?

MINNY
I realized... I still feel something for him.

NATHAN
Blink twice if he’s pointing a gun at you right now.
CC
Do you want me to call nine-one-one?

NATHAN
Are you a robot? What’s the weather today?

MINNY
Guys, I’m fine. I really need you to support me through this.

CC
We will.

NATHAN
OK.

Silence.

MINNY
Nathan.

NATHAN
What?

MINNY
Where did you and Wayde go?

NATHAN
What do you mean?

MINNY
You disappeared completely, I just realized.

NATHAN
He was helping me take the flour out of my hair.

CC
Flour?

NATHAN
Yeah, Landon and Blake pranked me, in a bully way.

CC
Oh.

NATHAN
So, Wayde took me to the bathroom and we was helping me take the flour out of my hair.
MINNY
What else?

NATHAN
(lying.)
Uh... nothing. That was it.

MINNY
B.S. Nathan Bright! I heard he opened the fire sprinklers! Why?

Nathan bites his lip.

MINNY (CONT’D)
Nathan!

NATHAN
He was trying to make me feel better. So, he opened the fire sprinkler to simulate rain, and kissed me, just to make my dream of a kiss under-the-rain come true.

CC
He’s gay?

NATHAN
I guess. Unless he’s French.

MINNY
Congrats, but I didn’t know you told him about your kiss under-the-rain wish.

NATHAN
(realizing)
I didn’t.

CC
Then how did he know?

MINNY
I don’t trust him.

NATHAN
Guys, maybe I spoke about it in my speech class.

CC
You wouldn’t.
NATHAN
The only other place were I mentioned it was in one of my videos, but he hasn’t mentioned anything about all the weird stuff that I talk about.

MINNY
(distrustful)
He has something going on. I feel it.

They all exchange worried looks.

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Nathan walks to his locker. He finds Allison at hers, she wears a scarf over her head, and sunglasses.

NATHAN
(mocking)
Wait, is that you, Allison? I can barely recognize you.

ALLISON
(mad)
It was you, wasn’t it? You motherfucker! You’re gonna regret this. Bad.

NATHAN
Alli, who do you think I am? You? Of course it wasn’t me, it was my friend.

ALLISON
Minny the bitch? I knew it, she’s just jealous that I took...

NATHAN
(interrupts)
No, my friend karma. Have you ever heard about her?

Nathan giggles.

ALLISON
Gay cat, I’m gonna find out who did it, and if it was you or one of your friends...

NATHAN
What? Are you gonna cheat on us too?
ALLISON
(angry)
You know what Bright, fuck you!

Allison slams her locker shut, and leaves.

NATHAN
(to Allison)
Wait, can you recommend me your photographer?

Nathan smiles.

He then turns to open his locker. In the locker, he finds another yellow envelope.

From the envelope he takes out a picture... A picture of Wayde and himself as they kiss, with the caption: “How romantic, boo!”

Nathan turns pale in horror.

NATHAN (CONT’D)
I hate karma.

FADE OUT.

THE END.