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Corbett Education Foundation
35800 E. Historic Columbia River Hwy.
Corbett, OR 97019

Dear Corbett Education Foundation,

Life is an evolving education. Our lives are molded by the individuals we encounter, the places and cultures we see, and our determination to expand on new ideas. All of my experiences have shaped my character, integrity, and goals.

I have always received tremendous support from close family in the Corbett area. I've learned what true, unconditional love means and found confidence from their affection. My family surrounding me has taught me honesty and the importance of respect.

Athletics have become a considerable part of my life and will leave a lasting impression after high school. As a student athlete, I realized the value of time management and setting priorities. On the field and the court, I was taught determination and cooperation with my teammates. Sports enhance our communication skills and allow the interaction of students away from the classroom environment.

Band and music have opened up an entire new spectrum for me. Winning third place the last two years at the state competition has shown me the rewards and gratification after hard work. Music has enabled me to travel to Canada twice to play in festivals, and all over the Northwest to practice with different directors in clinics.

My travels in Mexico have immensely influenced my life. In the spring of 2002, my sophomore year, I traveled to Mexico for three weeks to study Spanish and live with a Spanish speaking family. Later that year, in June, I traveled to Mexico again, but this time on a mission trip through my church. My travels in Mexico, both as a student and a missionary, changed my life. I was taken back by the appalling conditions some humans are forced to endure. I found a renewed sense of gratitude for all that I have and the initiative to serve others. Since then, I have volunteered my time in the National Honor Society, Key Club and our church youth group.

Corbett High School has offered me great opportunities to expand my knowledge through challenging Advanced Placement courses. My senior year I am taking A.P. English, A.P. Calculus, and A.P. History. These classes, along with others from my junior year, are helping me to take my education as far as I can in high school. My goal is to keep challenging myself in college as I study Construction Engineering Management at Oregon State University. I am elated to have the opportunity to study a major so interesting to me in a diverse and academic environment.

As I look toward the future, I remember all of the experiences that have shaped my life today. I remember all of the people, their cultures, and their unique way of life. I am excited for the future and welcome the new experience.

Sincerely,

Your Name and Address