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Grade: 11

Box Elder High

As a child I always wanted to be in the military. I was bouncing around between the air force and the navy as the years went by. I started out in a place most would call the ghetto. It was rare for a child like me whose biological mother is a drug addict and physically abusive, and my father is at the time on the other side of the world in Iraq. My biggest leap or “click” for me was the second grade when I started to accelerate in math and all my other classes. Fast forward a year and I was being talked to by the school board to “skip a grade” because of how fast I was accelerating at my studies. I was denied because I am almost a year too young for my current grade, and wasn’t old enough to fit the requirements. Skip a couple of years and I kept accelerating in all of my classes (except for Language arts) and I am now going into my junior year and only needing 3 credits required for my senior year.

I have shifted my focus to getting into a college that specializes in medical and mechanical training. I have loved helping people in as many ways as I can. My dad and I have this every day “ritual” at dinner where I come up with a “life-saving” invention and he disproves me and shows me the flaws to try and fix the idea and create a new version of that idea. They can range from a “food truck” that recycles your left overs after every meal, like a food mail service to the homeless, to a plane that runs forever creating its own energy and spending it to create a

never ending flight. I hope to get an education to make these items a reality, and possibly practical.

Education is my main priority, I am still just a junior, but I am cramming my schedule with as many classes that I can. I plan on taking a lot of medical advancement classes and mechanical that are focused on expanding my knowledge. In today's world money takes you farther than knowledge but I would like to change that.

Your organization helps me believe that people like me that literally start from the ground up can have the end results of those who start with a silver spoon in their mouth. I have moral support from my friends and family, but it isn't quite enough to fit the cut. I am trying by all means to get this education and turn life around and end hunger, end the faults of always being involved in a war. I hope that you are able to help not just me, but many people. Help those with the biggest dreams and make it a reality. If you read this thank you for your time reading this and consider my intentions with your best interests.