

Mark Perez

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Dear M4HG Scholarship Board,

Words cannot express how grateful I am to have received your sponsorship for the Mission For His Glory Scholarship. I find myself reminded of the legacy of Albert Shanker, who once said that "democracy cannot survive without an educated and informed electorate", which stresses the importance of an education, without restriction, in protecting the very democracy that every member of society should have the very right to flourish in. This scholarship will not only aid in financing the next steps of my academic journey, but will further allow me to give back to my community.

As the son of an educator, I know first hand what sacrifice looks like. Teachers place themselves into the battlefield to ensure that every student who walks into their classroom, no matter what may separate us, has the ability to succeed. It is teachers who create our next generation of leaders, and it is teachers who ensure that our society can remain democratic, by implementing resources that teach our youth to be young, respectable individuals who are ready to tackle any issues society may throw at them. Most importantly, it is because of my teachers, and teachers like my mother, that I feel the desire to make sure that no other student should ever have to feel like education is unattainable.

Thank you again for aiding in the continuation of my academic journey. I will forever remember the opportunity you have given me.

Cordially,

Mark Perez