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ACE scholarship essay contest

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My Future

I go to school at [REDACTED] High School in Missoula, Montana. I am a ninth grader and this is my second year at this school. I like to play basketball with my friends during lunch, play music in band class (french horn) during seventh period, and have fun in math class with my teacher, who is also my basketball coach. The ACE Scholarships have influenced my future through athletic principals and a Biblical worldview by affording me the privilege of attending a private Christian school.

At [REDACTED], the athleticism is the best because of the small team environment. I play on the Junior Varsity team and do stats for the Varsity team. One advantage at a small school is that I can get to play without having to do tryouts. There is no pressure to be the best player, only to play hard. This means that I can play to the best of my ability and be accepted by my teammates for the strengths that I bring to the group. With a small team, I get more playing time alongside good players who give me encouragement or suggest what I can change to do better. Another advantage to our team is that we have more bonding because we all play and learn together. We are not separated into groups of skill or ability, but we have a common ground. Our team prayer time is meaningful because we all know each other well.

In my classes, the teachers always give reference to the Bible in some way, no matter what the course subject. They use personal testimonies and scripture to make connections to whichever subject we are discussing. This helps give me a strong foundation in the Bible. I see that the Bible is applicable in every situation. This will also make me a better follower of Jesus. There is no need to chase after other beliefs that the world has to offer because the Bible is sufficient. Once a month, we go to different ministries in our town to help with any of their needs. My favorite ministry day so far was when my class went to the [REDACTED] Church to tear tape off their gym floor and fold clothes for their clothes closet. Through these ministry hours, I'm helping contribute to the outreach of this church to foster kids in our area and it opens my eyes to the needs in my community.

Through athletics and a strong Bible foundation, ACE scholarships have impacted my future for good. In athletics, I've learned the value of teamwork and always improving my game. I can represent Christ on and off the court. Attending a Christian school solidifies the truths I'm also learning at home and church. I am taught that I'm a Christian first, a student second and then an athlete. Through my teacher's connections to the Bible and doing outreach to my neighbors, I am learning to be a better follower and servant of Christ.

Is student currently an ACE Scholarship recipient? Yes No

Please send a completed form with essay contest entry.

All entries are due by 12:00 PM MST on 3/6/20.

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