

Dear Mr. Emswiler,

I thank you for once again getting in touch with me, and extending the opportunity for more financial aid this coming academic year. The generosity of the Rotary Club touches me deeply, and I greatly appreciate it.

My 2008-2009 academic year at Lehigh University went very successfully. In my first semester this past year, I declared an English major, as well as a Creative Writing minor. I have always enjoyed writing, and so these are perfect for my interests. I also declared a Music Industry minor so that I can achieve my goal of working at a recording studio or working in music management. My current cumulative GPA is a 3.83, and I am still on track for receiving the Presidential Scholarship, which gives me an opportunity to extend my education one year extra. I could receive a fifth-year for free, as the school would fund my tuition for my hard work over the previous four years.

I have been working very hard on my studies over the past year, and I am enjoying college very much. However, I do more than simply study. In May 2008, I was hired by my college advisor at the time, Eugene Albuлесcu, to help with the Lehigh University Philharmonic Orchestra. I am now an intern of the orchestra, and I have been helping the orchestra get more organized. This job is especially important to me because it has brought me even closer to the music industry. Professor Albuлесcu is in the middle of the music industry, and is doing his best to initiate me into music business because he knows how passionate I am about music and its creation. Generally, my jobs for the orchestra consist of placing bowing markings on string pieces, doing databases, and making sure that rehearsals and concerts run smoothly. I have also been helping the assistant of the orchestra, flutist and artist Linda Ganus, to organize her art studio.

In addition, this summer my English department adviser, Professor Edward Gallagher, asked me to help him to organize a class and do the jobs of a teaching assistant. During the second summer session of classes at Lehigh, he is teaching a class called "Writing for Show," and I am helping him to compile many examples of certain grammatical rules. I am also helping Professor Gallagher to compile research and writings for a historical website that he is creating about President Jefferson and Sally Hemings.

Throughout this past school year, a new club was organized in the English department: Sigma Tau Delta. This club is an international honors English society, and our chapter, Chi Nu, has just been reinstated. To become a greater part of this organization and to help it get running, I have been elected Secretary for the 2009-2010 school year. I will be the first Secretary since the chapter was reinstated.

I would like to conclude this letter with my gratitude for the Rotary Club's continued support of my education, dreams, and endeavors. Thank you very much for everything you have done for me.

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