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GA Grant Letter

First Generation College Bound

As you can probably tell I am a first-generation college-bound student. It is great pleasure to be the first person in my family to go to college, it also brings me a lot of pride and joy where ever I go. Although unfortunately there are some downsides to being a first-generation college-bound student. It is extremely hard to support your family without a college degree, as I am sure you are well aware. Jobs are not as readily available and the jobs you do get treat you like crap. At least from what I can see. Needless to say, those jobs don't pay well either. So how does a first-generation college-bound student like me get to go to college? It is due to my good grades I achieved in High School and, more importantly, the GA grant. Without that grant, I would not have enough money even with my FAFSA loans to go to college. I did the math I would still have to pay 5,000 dollars out of pocket to be able to do 2 semesters at the school I am currently at. It's just me and my mom and we don't just have that kind of money in general so how could we make that money up for college? That is why the Ga grant is so important because it gives students that don't have the same access to funds and the benefits that come with it a fighting chance to get the job they want with a degree. One more little bump in the road you run into being a first-generation college-bound student is that your parents do not know much about the processes it takes to get you into college. That's when first-generation college-bound came in to help me and made it so much easier to navigate the slopes of finding colleges to apply to, doing the FAFSA, and ultimately finding out about MDCAPS which got me the GA grant. Without them, I might have been in a mountain of debt that I could not afford to pay back and in a lot more stressful situation. That could affect my performance in school and might even make me underperform. So I am just so glad that First Generation College Bound came around to help me when I needed it!