After graduating high school, I plan to attend a 4-year college. I made this decision because engineering has been my field of interest for a long time and a career in engineering requires a college education. My strongest and favorite subjects in school are mat and science, so engineering will be a good fit for me. I have been admitted by five colleges and am waiting to receive decisions from five more. Of those ten schools, my first choice is MIT, from which I have not received a decision yet, and Notre Dame, where I have been admitted, is my second choice. I plan to study electrical or mechanical engineering. While in college, I plan to participate in engineering-focused clubs like MIT's underwater robotics team, Notre Dame's Baja SAE, and the Engineers Without Borders chapters at both schools as well as other clubs and activities I find interesting, such as the ballroom dance club and intramural sports at both schools. I will volunteer locally when opportunities arise, both at school and at home. I want to study abroad at some point during college.

After college, I will start working as an engineer. I will probably move for work several times in the years after graduation, and I hope to work abroad, ideally in Europe, for a few years. If I work for a company that offers to pay for some or all of a graduate education, I will try to take advantage of that and earn a master's degree in some kind of engineering. During this time, I will continue to volunteer and be active in my community in as many ways as I can. I have always thought that Habitat for Humanity is a cool charity, so I would like to start volunteering with them at some point. I also want to volunteer for Engineers Without Borders after graduation if I am able to.

Eventually, I am not sure when, I will settle down, buy a house, and maybe start a family. At that point, I will look for long-term opportunities to make a difference in my community. This includes becoming an assistant scoutmaster, volunteering with local organizations, and perhaps someday try to enter local government. These plans will probably change; I don't know what I will be doing in a month, much less a decade. Nevertheless, these are my life goals as they stand now.