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What drives me is a deep desire to succeed, serve others, and create opportunities not only for myself, but for my family and community. As a straight-A student preparing to graduate, I am committed to pursuing higher education and earning scholarship funding to help make college financially possible. Coming from a single-parent household, I understand that every dollar truly counts. My academic success reflects my discipline, determination, and belief that education is the key to breaking barriers and building a stable future.

Beyond the classroom, I am a dedicated student-athlete. I serve as captain of the Lady Cougars basketball team, where I lead by example, encourage my teammates, and demonstrate responsibility both on and off the court. I also compete in track and field, which has strengthened my endurance, perseverance, and mental toughness. Balancing athletics with academics has taught me time management and resilience—qualities that will continue to guide me through college and into my nursing career.

Leadership and service are also central to who I am. I am the president of National Honor Society, where I coordinate and host meetings while organizing meaningful community service projects. Through this role, I have learned how to effectively communicate, plan events, and inspire my peers to give back. I am also an active member of the Black Student Union (BSU), where I proudly embrace my African American heritage and contribute to conversations and initiatives that promote culture, unity, and empowerment within my school. Representation matters, and as a young African American student, I recognize that opportunities are not always equally accessible. This motivates me to work harder and take full advantage of every opportunity presented to me.

In addition to academics and school involvement, I am a dancer with Pearls of Praise at Calvary Baptist Church. Dance allows me to express my faith and connect with my community in a powerful way. Serving through my church has strengthened my character and reminded me of the importance of humility, compassion, and gratitude. Overall, I am very active and deeply involved in my community, always striving to make a positive impact wherever I go.

My ultimate career goal is to become a nurse and provide top-notch care to those around me. The motivation to help people during vulnerable moments in their lives is what truly drives me. Nursing requires compassion, precision, and dedication—qualities I continuously work to develop in every aspect of my life. Receiving the Jiffy Lube Teen Driver Scholarship would not only support my educational journey, but also affirm that hard work and perseverance are recognized. As someone who frequently visits Jiffy Lube for services, I value companies that invest back into the community.

I am a strong candidate for this scholarship because I embody leadership, academic excellence, service, and determination. What drives me is the vision of a better future—one where I use my education and experiences to uplift others. With financial support, I can continue striving toward my goals and making a meaningful difference in the lives of those I serve.