

I must say my past few years of high school have been extremely beneficial to my college education and future goals. My chosen college, Mount Carmel College of Nursing, looked not only at my academic successes when accepting me into their institution, but they looked at my involvement in my extra-curricular activities, as well as my involvement in the community. Without my activities in high school, such as National Honor Society, FFA, Leadership club, and SADD, I would've never gained the skills that helped get me to where I am today. In FFA I participated in many career development events, such as poultry judging, livestock judging, and agricultural sales. Even the classroom activities such as job interviewing, and even getting up and speaking in front of the FFA chapter as an officer, have been experiences that have been beneficial to my college education. Today as the Membership Director for the Ohio Nursing Students' Association, I use the speaking skills and personal skills I have gained through these activities as I speak to nursing students from all over the state of Ohio. Serving as an officer for many of these high school organizations, I have been able to gain leadership skills and have been able to be a role model to my classmates. As a result of gaining these skills I can now contribute them to others and serve as a role model in my current activities such as Student Government and the Student Nurses' Association of Mount Carmel. Also, by being involved in these activities and organizations, it looks extremely good on scholarship applications and even job applications, which have helped me to pay for the majority of my college tuition this past year. My involvement in my school this past year has allowed me to network with nursing students from all over the state of Ohio, and has allowed me to be a role model to others, and it wouldn't have been possible without the experiences I had in my high school extra-curricular activities. I have the utmost confidence that my involvement both in high school and now in college will be a huge benefit to myself as an individual as I continue on in my education, and eventually as a professional nurse someday.

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