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Onalaska Area Business Association
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Members of the Selection Committee:

I am applying for the Onalaska Area Business Association Scholarship. I am currently a senior at Onalaska High School. Education has always been my top priority. In high school I have taken many advanced placement and honors classes, including AP Calculus, Physics Honors, AP Literature and Composition, and Chemistry 2 Honors, which will help me succeed next year in college. I have also been a Calculus Mentor, helping many students who are taking calculus this year. Besides this, I have tutored many students after school in my free time. While in high school I have participated in many extracurricular activities including being a member of the Onalaska High School Girl's Golf Team, Future Business Leaders of America member, National Honor Society member, and Show Band. Even with these extra activities I have been able to earn high grades. I will be graduating in the top ten percent of my class with a 3.91 grade point average. I will also be graduating with highest honors. Next year I have decided to attend the University of Minnesota: Twin Cities, and I plan on majoring in actuary science. I will also be participating in the University's Honors Program.

Starting in April of 2007, I have been employed at the La Crosse Country Club on the grounds crew. I am employed 40-48 hours a week in the summer and 5-15 hours a week during the school year. I have had to pay for many of my own things, including my car, car insurance, gas, and my cell phone. I will also be paying for the majority of my own college education. By working for many of the things I want and need, I have really come to learn the value of the dollar. There have been multiple times I have been unable to go places or hang out with friends because I've had to work, but I feel like this has made me a better person. I have come to really understand the concept of give and take. By working around and with people so much I have also gained a lot of people skills.

In addition to working I also help with many community service projects. I am a member of the National Honor Society at my school and I also am a part of my church's youth group. Between these two groups, I have helped at church, many area nursing homes, and at many area 5K run/walks and a marathon. With my church youth group, I went on a mission trip last summer to Cairo, Illinois. While there, I helped with a Vacation Bible School program for young children, and I helped paint and clean many area houses. I love helping people, and I hope to continue doing community service in college and after I graduate from college.

I plan on continuing to work about ten hours a week during college. I also plan on being a member of the University of Minnesota Marching Band. This will take a lot of time but I know that I have excellent study skills and time management skills. I will still be able to keep my grades very high.

After college I hope to be employed by a major insurance company. I am committed to this goal as you can see through my academic record and community service involvement. I can assure you that all of these qualities make me a great candidate for your scholarship.

Sincerely,

Aimee Tripp