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My Plan for the Future Contest

Planning for the future is vital to having a successful life. But, to be honest, thinking about my future makes me uneasy. Because I am the firstborn in my family, I have no one to show me how to pick the best high school classes or how college works. Currently, I feel unprepared. In this essay, I will compose a plan for my life so that I feel ready to take on the world.

Ever since I was little, I have had big goals for my future occupation. I want to become a physical therapist. This way, I can help people recover more quickly from their injuries. I have always gotten queasy around anyone who is hurt, but physical therapists don't have to deal with all the gore. You also get to hear people's cool daredevil stories! To be a physical therapist, it is helpful to have a positive attitude so that you can bring up the morale of the patient. I have always considered myself a positive and funny person, so I can also help people psychologically. Plan B for my occupation is to franchise a Chick-fil-a in South Dakota. Chick-fil-a sells great food, and they are a Christian company, which are two things I support. When I ate Chick-fil-a for the first time, it immediately became my favorite fast food restaurant. I was disappointed to learn that there wasn't a franchise here in South Dakota. I can bring it here! Whatever job I end up getting, I will do it with love to the best of my ability.

I have also given some thought for what I will do outside of work. God willing, I want to be married and have a big happy family. It would also be nice to own a house and a car. I will be

involved in my local Catholic parish as a volunteer, similar to how I am today as an alter server and hospitality minister. These are the many big goals that I have for myself in life outside of work.

In high school and the quickly approaching end of middle school, I can take big leaps to attain my life goals. Currently, I am taking Algebra 1 for a high school credit in eighth grade. This puts me ahead so that I can take more advanced math classes in the future. I plan to keep my 4.0 grade point average, which will definitely help me while applying for college and in future job interviews. In high school, I plan to take biology, chemistry, and some physics classes. This will give me the basis of my education for physical therapy. As a teenager, I make decisions that will affect my future every day. During high school, I have to avoid making the wrong decisions of becoming involved in drugs, smoking, and much more. I will set myself up for success in the future by making excellent choices today.

My post high school plan is to go straight into college. I do not know where I would prefer to attend college, but it would be ideal to get a academic scholarship and go to a college near my home. I love my family and the snow that falls in the area. One of the top physical therapy schools in South Dakota is the University of South Dakota, which might be a good option for me. I will chose my college carefully after I graduate high school.

I have now set out a tentative plan for my life. Above all, I hope to be joyful. If you aren't happy, you aren't doing something right. I will help many people while being a physical therapist and through church volunteer work. I will leave my bright mark on the world.