

USAA & Maritime Patrol Association Scholar

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Radford High School

High School GPA: 4.29

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Major: Oceanography

Activities:

- JV Volleyball
- Varsity Basketball
- Academic Team
- National Honor Society
- Coronado HS Interact
- Volunteer: Annual Veteran Day Bake Sale, Miss Teen Coronado USA.
- Year Round Tutor



Winning this scholarship has helped me realize my dream of raising environmental awareness and investigating humanity's relationship with the ocean. As a Navy Brat I have moved from coast to coast throughout my life, and I have grown up with a fascination for the ocean and the secrets it contains. I have swum in the Pacific Ocean, the Atlantic Ocean, and the Gulf of Mexico. I have seen the beautiful diversity that exists with my own two eyes, and over time I have become fiercely committed to protecting and preserving it. This scholarship means everything to me, as I will now be able to pursue the education I need to share my passion with the rest of the world.