

John Griffing Scholar

Kira Leavitt

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First Colonial High School

Penn State University

Major: Biomedical Engineering

Activities:

- ❖ Student Cooperative Association, Vice President (10th), Benefits & Homecoming Chair (11th), Secretary (12th)
- ❖ Future Business Leaders of America, Parliamentarian (11th & 12th)
- ❖ Student Athletic Training Aid
- ❖ Volunteer: Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, Key Club, Student2Student
- ❖ Summer Employment: One Fish, Two Fish-Hostess



From the time I was little my parents have always supported me. When the time came to apply to college, they made it clear they would help me wherever I chose to attend. I made the decision to apply for as many scholarships as I could to help offset the cost and their financial burden. With an older sister in college and a younger brother starting high school, the extent of their support may not be as much as they want it to be. This scholarship means that I can not only help my parents, but also pursue my dream in biomedical engineering. Learning more about human biology and ways to tie technology into its complex processes truly interests me. Using engineering to improve, secure, and create medical devices and using cutting-edge technology to refine the medical field have long been goals of mine. I see it as a way I can give back to the community that helps me enhance the lives of so many people.