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2022-2023: Senior

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I am thankful and honored that the Wings Over America Scholarship has selected me as a recipient and is allowing me the opportunity to broaden my educational horizons. As a first-generation college student this scholarship is incomparable because it will allow me to set the foundation for new traditions within my family. Winning this scholarship will allow me the opportunity to continue my education without additional financial constraints. I currently work and attend school full time, in addition to parenting a child while my husband is deployed. The relief of having one less thing on my plate will allow me to focus on the goals I have set forth for myself and my family. Although military spouses are known to be resourceful and resilient, having support along the way is invaluable. Wings Over America understands that military life is unique and lends a hand to remove financial obstacles that prevent individuals from achieving their educational goals. In exchange, I vow to complete my human service degree at Southern New Hampshire University and continue to provide support to families, like my own, who are facing unique challenges. I am deeply honored and grateful to accept this scholarship and to be a military spouse. The sky is forever the limit.