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I have always loved young children and knew I wanted to work with them one day in my future. I already knew I wanted to be a teacher by about eighth grade and my mind was completely set. Then during my senior year of high school I was able to be a teachers aid in the Kindergarten classroom in my school and I completely fell in love. I also had the opportunity to work in Kindergarten at NSU Elementary lab school which made me love it even more. Had I not gotten the TEACH grant I probably would have to have taken out student loans to pay for school and might not have been able to graduate in four years like I wanted. I am so thankful for the TEACH grant and the opportunity is has given me to be able to chase my dream. I want to be the students mentor and I want to be there for those kids. I want to make an impact on their lives and influence them to chase their own dreams because anything is possible.