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Student Profile:

I knew I always wanted to teach at the elementary school level but in 2009 when my youngest brother was diagnosed with mild/moderate autism, I knew that I was supposed to teach Special Education. When I heard about the TEACH grant, I was thrilled that there was a grant to aid me further through school and was geared toward my future career. I am the second oldest of 7, so there has usually been a money struggle. This grant helped pay some more of my tuition to where I didn't have to apply for more loans or have my parents pay out of pocket. This grant is allowing me to further my education and become prepared to teach in the Special Education setting. I am so thankful for the TEACH grant because I don't think I would be able to finish school without it.