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Because of the TEACH Grant I was able to further my education in the field that is my passion. During graduate school, the TEACH Grant helped me to be able to focus on what was most important instead of focusing on my financial stress. I knew at a young age I wanted to become a teacher and my first day in my own classroom I knew I was exactly where I needed to be. To be the best teacher I can be, I knew I needed to further my education. The TEACH Grant allowed me to do just that. Without the TEACH Grant I wouldn't be shaping the minds of kindergarteners each and every single day.