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Teaching is an intellectually rigorous profession. As a current teacher candidate, I am only beginning to realize the challenges that teachers face every day in the classroom and in the larger education system. I am fortunate for the preparation that I am receiving from my teacher education program at Stanford University. Without the existence of programs like the TEACH grant, I am unsure whether I would have made the decision to enter such a high quality teacher education program. Given the wages of public school teachers and the high cost of living in the Bay Area, the financial burden of paying off student loans would have prohibited me from accepting an expensive program -- and perhaps would have prohibited me from entering the teaching profession at all. I am thankful for programs like the TEACH grant that have provided me access to the preparation that will help me thrive in the teaching profession.