

Dear Mr. Buchner and Trustees of the 3Marrow Foundation,

I want to begin by expressing my immense gratitude for being a recipient of the Crosby Jayne Buchner Scholarship. I am deeply touched and honored to be receiving this support for my medical education, which has only just begun! From quite a young age I knew I wanted to be a physician, much like the young girl that inspired this foundation. I did not know any doctors, nobody in my family even worked in healthcare. My grandfather had some transplants when I was pretty young, and his physicians showed immense compassion amidst immense responsibility. Before I fully understood the scope of what it meant to be a doctor, I had my heart set on medicine. My medical career is in its infancy, but it is energizing to see the ways in which I have quickly come to be shaped by my training. This journey is long & arduous, and quite the investment. To be the beneficiary of your generosity means a lot to me and my family supporting me!

I would love to tell you a little bit more about myself. I am a first-year medical student at IUSM attending the Bloomington campus. We are learning in the new Regional Academic Health Center, and I feel blessed to have the facilities and resources that we do. I am a Southern Indiana native, born and raised in Boonville, IN in Warrick County. After graduating from Boonville High School in 2017 I attended the University of Indianapolis where I studied biology and psychology. I also played softball during my time there. In my free time I love to do anything outdoors and spend time with family. I am keeping an open mind, and I am looking forward to seeing how my future experiences shape my career choice. However, I intend on becoming a pediatrician to follow my passion of caring and advocating for the youth.

Again, thank you for your kind donation. I am moved by the story behind the Crosby Jayne Buchner Foundation. It is heart-breaking to hear about this great loss, what a beautiful way to honor Crosby's life. I will keep vision, love, and passion at the forefront of my mind as I continue with my medical education. Again, thank you Mr. Buchner and Trustees of the 3Marrow Foundation.

Sincerely,

Hallie Watzel