

# Student Letter



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## To the recipients of the 2011 Dr. Terence N. Thomas Memorial Scholarship:

I would like to congratulate all of you on your high school graduation and academic achievements thus far. As recipients of this scholarship, it is clear that you all exemplify the importance of scholarship, community, and academic excellence. As you prepare for the next stage in your careers, it is important that you never lose sight of your dreams. As you will come to learn, there are many paths that can ultimately lead to the same destination in life. It is important to remain flexible and never let a situation or person deter you from accomplishing your goals. I often tell medical students the importance of choosing a specialty that they truly love rather than choosing a field because they like what it represents. This translates to any career where passion and dedication will always lead to success.

As for myself, I am currently a third year resident in Anesthesiology at Columbia University Medical Center. While residency has been difficult, I have been fortunate enough to find time to do research, publish, and enjoy life in Manhattan. Next spring, I will be applying for a fellowship position in Pain Medicine, followed by another fellowship in Regional Anesthesiology.

Again, I would like to congratulate all of you on your award and recent achievements. I would also like to thank Dr. and Mrs. Pattillo, members of the scholarship committee and all of the donors for their guidance and support of the scholarship. Without their hard work and donations, this award would not be possible.

Sincerely,

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