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Applicant Name: Grant J Ayers

Permanent Address: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

E-mail: [REDACTED]

Mother: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Father: [REDACTED]

Phone: [REDACTED]

Current High School: Forest Lake High School

School Address: 6101 Scandia Trail N, Forest Lake, MN. 55025

Anticipated Graduation Date: May 23rd, 2018

Post-Secondary Educational Institution you will be attending: North Dakota State University

Intended Field of Study: Architecture

Branch of Military Service you have enlisted into: \_\_\_\_\_

Intended Career: \_\_\_\_\_

Please complete the essay on a separate sheet of paper. The essay may be hand written or typed; however, typed is preferred. Please attach a copy of your essay with this application. The essay must be signed and dated.

Note: Only complete applications, with all required supporting documents, will be evaluated.

Minnesota Juvenile Officer Association  
c/o Jonathan Glader, Secretary – Forest Lake Police Department  
1408 Lake Street South, Forest Lake, MN 55025  
Secretary@mnjoa.org

# NDSU NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

November 30, 2017

Grant Ayers  
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Forest Lake, MN 55025-8276

Dear Grant Ayers,

I am writing to congratulate you on your admission to North Dakota State University. You will soon discover that the programs offered here are among the best available in this part of the country. You will also discover that NDSU is an excellent choice for achieving your higher education goals.

I understand from the admission's office that you have expressed interest in majoring in Architecture. This program is in the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, which is why I am writing to you. If you would like to learn more about the curriculum in this program, I recommend that you go to the following web link: <http://ala.ndsu.edu/>. If you would like to learn more about the general education curriculum, please go to [www.ndsu.edu/registrar/gened](http://www.ndsu.edu/registrar/gened). Of course, if you would like to learn more about the department that houses your major, you should feel free to contact Dr. David Bertolini at 701-231-6151 or [david.bertolini@ndsu.edu](mailto:david.bertolini@ndsu.edu). Professor Bertolini can also answer any questions you might have about the major or descriptions in the catalog. Finally, if you have any questions about the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, please don't hesitate to get in touch with me at the address or phone number included at the top of this letter.

Because of your interest in the College of Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences, you might be interested in living with other students from our college. We have an AHSS Community in one of the high rises at North Dakota State University. When you apply for housing, you can request to live in this community by choosing Arts, Humanities and Social Sciences (AHSS) under "Room Requests." Students in the AHSS Community take AHSS 199 together and have the opportunity to meet and interact with faculty outside of the classroom.

Once again, let me congratulate you on your admission to NDSU. Our faculty and staff look forward to having the opportunity to work with you in the future.

Sincerely,



David Bertolini  
Interim Dean

I have had countless interactions with many different police officers, and not one of those interactions has been negative. My father has been a Police Sergeant for the Forest Lake Police Department for 27 years, so I have grown up surrounded by many officers. Over the last 18 years under his guidance, he has taught me many skills and responsibilities through his duties as an officer. When the Forest Lake Police Department was on the brink of being disbanded, my family and I did not know if he would have a job in the forthcoming months. It was stressful, taxing, and the looming decision was tormenting, but my father taught me to never give up no matter how tough the situation gets. We, as a family and as a community did everything in our power to keep our local police officers around. Speeches were given by countless citizens, including myself at numerous city council meetings and many protests took place over a four-month time frame. A student orchestrated walkout of over 1,500 students from the Forest Lake High School and other Forest Lake area schools was formed in less than 3 hours all to show support for our local police department in hopes of "Saving FLPD". Our vested interest in our local police department eventually saved the Forest Lake Police Department.

My father taught me most hard work will eventually pay off in the end and never go unrecognized. I took the opportunity to have an official ride along with

him two months ago, and I learned even more about how police officers interact with citizens of Forest Lake. He must have the patience and skills to communicate with these citizens to keep a situation from escalating, and I believe that he has reflected all of these skills onto myself. I have learned from him, as well as the rest of the Forest Lake Police Department, that relationship-building is one of the most important aspects of trust between two parties. Relationships such as the one between the police and the community are just as important as one between a father and son. I have seen him put on the uniform day in and day out, and I have the highest amount of respect for him doing so. I am beyond thankful and honored to have seen a true depiction of a local police officer who risks his life every single day. I have never had a more positive impact on my life than my father, and the duties that he takes care of as an officer have influenced my life and my community in countless ways.

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May 15th, 2018

Date