

Hello,

My name is Olivia Hansen and I am currently a sophomore at Cedar Falls High School. I am planning on graduating at the end of my junior year in 2019. My summer mornings will be spent working on classes to reach the required amount of credits needed to reach my goal. I believe graduating early will impact me mentally as the past few years of school have been hard to get through. Confidence and dedication to school work is something I strongly believe in. Maturity and stability is also a key factor in progressing forward as I am aware college is extremely challenging. Spending my whole life with the same group of people means individual challenges arise. I am ready to meet new people and face new challenges as I go forward. Missing a year of school means missing out on the opportunities and classes Cedar Falls has to offer, but ending my high school career early gives me a chance to explore what is beyond here. I have chosen two different pathways to take and when the time comes I will follow one of them. My first goal is to go straight to college, University of Minnesota Twin Cities is my intention. If I happen to feel as if I am not ready to take that step, I have a second plan in mind. My senior year will be spent taking Hawkeye classes in the morning and work in the evening. This will allow me to be able to make money and use it towards college funding in the following year of 2020. I am ready to continue the next chapter of my life and I am prepared to do so also.

Thank you!

