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Dear School Board Members,

I am Samuel L. Seery, an 11th-grade student at Cedar Falls High School. I would like to graduate early for a few reasons, as listed ahead: I have enough credits in order to do so, I wish to start college early, and I wish to achieve educational opportunities at an early age.

First, the credits. I have specifically planned since the end of middle school (9th grade) and the beginning of high school (10th) for graduating early. I have worked really hard to maintain good grades, and fill up my class schedule to the maximum with dual-credit classes in order to do so. It took a lot of hard-work, but I managed to get here and I am proud of what I have accomplished.

Second, starting college early. By starting college early, I'm not only starting great opportunities as soon as possible within colleges, but I am also challenging myself. Throughout junior high school and high school, I have taken many challenging classes, and have passed. I wish for opportunities to push my dream career further, but also I wish for opportunities to challenge myself as an individual.

Third, educational opportunities. As mentioned previously, by graduating early, I am setting myself up for successful educational opportunities during college. Through research, I have found that scholarships are offered specifically for those like me, who wish for a challenge and who wish for early graduation. This is something that I want to have under my belt, and something that I think will benefit me in the future.

My plans for college are as follows; I wish to go Hawkeye Community College in order to get my gen-eds completed, as well as other basic requirements for college graduation. Then, by making sure that all my class credits are transferable, I am planning to transfer to the University Of Iowa for a major in English and a minor in Creative Writing. I plan to become a writer for poetics and novels, with a back-up profession of an editor. This major and minor will allow me to do what I have wanted to do since I was young and still dreaming of what I wanted to do as a profession.

I have worked closely with Mrs. Gardner on my graduation requirements, and the following will be completed at the end of the 2nd semester, May 2023:

English - 8 Credits

Math - 6 Credits

Science - 6 Credits (Earth Science, Physical Science, Biology, Chemistry, Physics) Social Studies - 6 Credits (US History 9, US History II, Government, AP Human Geography, Psychology)

Financial Literacy - 1 Credit

Practical Arts - 2 Credits

Health .5 Credits



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Electives - 13.5 PE - 2 and exemptions

Thanks so much for considering my early graduation,

Sincerely,

Sam Seery, 11th Grade Student CFHS

Parents Signature: Brian Secry Brian Learn and Jenny Se

Enclosure: Graduation Evaluation, Transcripts, schedule of classes