

To the members of NWPMA and the Promotional Products Education Foundation,

On behalf of myself and my family, thank you. Thank you for helping me fund my future, for helping me take this next step in my educational goals and endeavors. Colgate is a dream school for me, one I never would've imagined myself going to. It's across the country from my home, it's new and exciting and academically challenging. I cannot wait for the challenges and adventures to come my way, and you all helped me get there, helped me make Colgate a reality. I am hoping to major in Biology, and to go on and help this world become a better place through scientific discovery. With your scholarship, I am in a better position to go into Colgate head-first. Worrying less about finances and focusing more on how to make my dreams come true through gaining my degree.

I have an incredible single mother, who has worked tirelessly and endlessly to help make sure my brother and I have all the opportunities possible. She is the strongest person I know, and this scholarship helps her by helping make college more affordable for our family. She told me I could go to college where I wanted to, where I felt I fit in and where I felt I could grow. That place is Colgate, but it is more expensive than my local state schools would have been. This scholarship helps unlock the door for me of being able to go to such a prestigious and exciting school.

Student debt and loans can be crippling, especially as a young adult starting fresh in the job world. This scholarship helps to make the financial strain lower, ultimately helping make college a better experience in all. Thank you again, from my mother, my brother, and myself. Thank you for this scholarship and for helping me make my education more accessible and affordable.

Sincerely,
Lily Barna