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VVOSA Merit Scholar

Gavin Lynch

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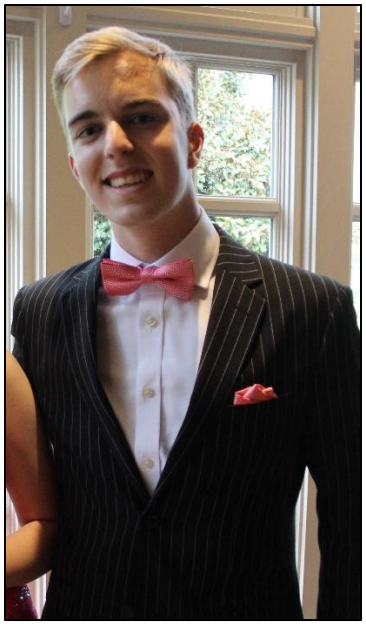
College: Clemson University

2026-2027: Freshman

Major: Environmental Engineering with a Minor in Sustainability

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Moms Clean Air Force, Youth Advocate
- Madrigal Singers Ensemble Choir
- Fox Chapel Area High School Musicals
- Ultimate Frisbee and Impulse Regional Travel League
- Feast on Brilliant, Customer Service Employee
- Audobon Society of Western PA, Conservation volunteer
- Civic Light Opera Theater Camp, Camp Volunteer Counselor



Receiving the VAW/VRC Merit Scholarship means so much to me because it not only will greatly enhance my education, which is something I care deeply about, but it also honors my father's service in the Navy and the sacrifices he has made for this nation. My education is very important to me because in my career, I want to help as many people as possible, and being able to devote all my attention to my education will allow for that to happen. This scholarship will make it so I don't have to worry as much about my finances in college, which will let all my focus be on what I'm learning. My father served in the Navy for eight years and has a service-related disability. He works to make other people's lives better and to help them recover from serious injuries every day as a physical therapist. He has spent his whole life helping others, and I plan to follow in his footsteps by fighting against pollution and climate change. This scholarship will allow me to do so, and that opportunity means so much.