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VVOSA Merit Scholar

Avia Marusich

Denver, CO

Sponsor: CDR Nicolas Marusich

College: Creighton University

2026-2027: Sophomore

Major: Nursing

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Best Buddies Volunteers
- Creighton University Nurses Association
- Nursing Leadership Scholars
- RezzDawg Foster Family
- Creighton University Incoming Freshman Experience
- Aurora Parks and Recreation Volunteer Coach
- Babysitter



Receiving the 2027 VVOSA Merit Scholarship is a meaningful honor to me. I have always been committed to serving others in any way I can, and this scholarship will help me continue that mission by supporting my academic journey. It will allow me to pursue my education and dream of becoming a nurse at Creighton University while easing the financial burden on my family. I am especially grateful for my dad, who served as a naval flight officer aboard an E-2C Hawkeye aircraft, and for my family, who have continuously supported and encouraged me. Their guidance has pushed me to become the best version of myself and has shaped who I am today. I would not be where I am without them. Thank you to the VVOSA community for supporting me in the pursuit of my goals!