

Dear SNUCMAA of NA and Taewoong Kim,

Hi, I'm Stella Hong, and I'm a sophomore at Johns Hopkins University, studying Molecular and Cellular Biology. Thank you so much for awarding us all with this scholarship and investing in our education. I think a good rule of thumb is to always give back to the community that raised you and always leave places, even slightly, better than we find them. Using this scholarship, I hope to invest in my pre-medical journey and help make my community a better place as a doctor.

I'd like to thank the Seoul National University College of Medicine Alumni Association of North America and Dr. Taewoong Kim, as this has enabled me to pursue my dream of becoming a pediatrician. Your generosity has served as a reminder to me on the importance of giving back to your community. I'm a firm believer that the youth is the backbone of every country. One day, I hope I can return the favor and help the youth's health and well-being as a doctor. Finally, I would like to give congratulations to my fellow scholarship recipients. I'm sure they will go out there and achieve something remarkable. Happy holidays!

Best,
Stella Hong