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My name is Ava Friedrichsen, and I'm a sophomore at UD studying chemistry. I am from Clinton, Iowa, and I chose UD for its close-knit community and abundant opportunities. I'm on the competitive cheer team, marching band, jazz band, and am also a 2024 CREATE research scholar. One of my highlights of being at UD has been the relationships that I have formed with my professors and coaches, who genuinely care about my success.

The support that UD receives has had a major impact on my life, from improving band facilities to providing scholarships for the performing arts and research. I'm grateful to the donors who make all of this possible. Without their contributions, I would not have had access to these opportunities. The University of Dubuque is special to me because it offers both academic growth and professional development, while also allowing me to have fun along the way.

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