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To Whom It May Concern:

Before coming to Concorde Career College, I had been in the Air Force, as well as a community college after that. I served 3 years before being medically retired. I had a vast variety of jobs while serving, none of which I fully enjoyed. They were just jobs, nothing I had wanted to do. My time in the military was short and not the easiest. Once I got out, I immediately started school so that I could get into a career I enjoyed.

I eventually chose Surgical Technology. I had not settled on Concorde right away, but it was an option I had been looking into. By the time I had officially decided to attend Concorde, there was not much time left before the term was going to start. I had a friend that was attending the same program for that term and was hoping to join her. The process of getting in was clearly communicated to me, and if I did my part then I had good chance of getting in. Having my GI Bill did help with the financial side. I had a job that did not cooperate well for me meeting with Admissions. I worked an hour away from Concorde and had a 9-hour day Monday through Friday. Although this made things difficult, the people at Concorde worked with me and were willing to meet later in the day, so that my chance of attending when I wanted was greater. I had no complaints and was very grateful for the effort they all put forth for me. Once I had passed my test, got my past transcripts turned in, and met with Mr. Hale (Program Director), I was ready for the orientation. I am almost done with my first term and have enjoyed every part of it. I have never been a fan of school but attending Concorde and getting to learn and do the things I have thus far, has made me look forward to this career field.

They truly care for each student and do their best to help us succeed and prepare each of us for the career we choose. I appreciate all the help they continue to give me.

Sincerely,

Kenzee Rider