## "My Passion" Essay

Although Saskatchewan's farmers play an important role in feeding the world in a sustainable way, people still tend to stereotype farmers as old and not with the times. But why is that? People may not understand the importance of farmers or their relationship with technology. Agriculture is important to me because it has been, is, and will remain my passion.

I have been raised on a farm south of Kendal Saskatchewan for the entirety of my life. As a child I was constantly spending the day outside with my parents and loving every second of it. I "helped" my parents by feeding the cows, sitting in the grain truck or combine. However, my favourite part was to help mom in the garden. I would try to pick the fruits and vegetables, but it was tough as I would always eat more than I would pick. I enjoyed seeing the different stages that every plant went through and was amazed how such big plants could come in such a tiny seed.

As I grew up and got my license, I became much more helpful around the farm. I could pick up parts that broke unexpectedly, I also started to drive the tractor and grain trucks. At this time, I realize that I would not like to work at a desk job and started to pursue the agricultural field. I had never thought of that field before; I'm not exactly sure why, maybe it is because I was surrounded by it my entire life. Crop production still fascinates me, there are always new seeds, chemicals, and fertilizers being produced; ones that were not possible just a few years prior. When I looked at the job market I understood that there is always a need for people in the agricultural industry, as many people across the world are faced with starvation or malnutrition.

My passion within the agricultural fields is crop production, this intrigues me as there is a constant increase of population of people in the world and farmers have to continuously produce more food. The role that I hope to play in the agriculture field is to help end starvation and malnutrition; not only in Saskatchewan but around the world. I hope that my passion in crop production will help to find new and more efficient ways to create a larger and healthier amount of food. If we could advance crop production to create seeds with more yield while also lowering their cost, we could make these seeds available for more people around the world. Saskatchewan technology could be sent around the world, helping malnourished, third world countries to create their own resources. This may sound far-fetched, but with the ever-growing technology in the agricultural industry I believe that this breakthrough is closer than ever.

Agriculture is the right choice for me, not only because I was raised in the industry, but because of my passion for it. I hope to help push the agricultural field forward and help to create a more sustainable future. Besides who knows what will be possible in 5, 10, or even 50 years?