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My name is Edith Yaa Okyerewaa Boakye from Worawora in the Oti Region of Ghana. I am currently in my Sophomore year studying mechanical engineering. So far, studies have been a lot of work but amazing. With everything I learn, especially in thermodynamics class, I feel closer and closer to the industry. My interests are in creative writing as well as female and child empowerment. With all the extracurricular activities taking place on and off campus, I have had the opportunity to explore these interests. In my one year at Ashesi, I've been a member of the Wiki club (we edit Wikipedia articles and have competitions occasionally) and 'She's the First Ashesi Chapter' (we have conversations that promote gender equality, organize fundraisers and run campaigns to educate the girls we mentor).

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My transition to remote learning has been a smooth one. Logging into classes on Zoom, taking quizzes online, among others, have been made easy since I've been provided with a laptop and receive an internet bundle every month! Nevertheless, some challenges came with taking lessons solely online from home. Challenges like getting distracted with house chores and spending long hours in front of the screen. However, I've learned to adjust by managing my time and always documenting things I must do. In all, it has also been a period of exploration and personal growth. Looking forward, I want to pursue an engineering career in a renowned technological company. I also want to establish a foundation for children who need support, be it with family, education, or anything at all.

Five years ago, all I had were big dreams. Now, I am right where I need to be to see these aspirations materialize. A simple way to describe my experience at Ashesi so far is life-changing and I can't thank you for being a significant part of this journey. Medaase.