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To whom it may concern:

I am excited to further my education on the career choice of large animal veterinarian/ livestock veterinarian. I first learned about large animal vets when I was 6 years old, always visiting my grandpa at his own clinic. Along with watching both my grandpa and the television show, Dr. Pol, I have also raised livestock my whole life. I raised swine for 6 years in 4-H and this year will be my 5th year showing beef for FFA. My family has had our own breeding business for 5 years now with our cattle. These past 2 years I have also had the honor to take a veterinarian class and animal science class at Ripon High, and work at Ripon Veterinary Hospital three days a week. I feel that with my experience I'd make an excellent assistant, or have a future with holding my own practice one day.

Livestock veterinarians specialize in caring for large animals, such as cows, horses, goats and pigs, usually on farms. Livestock veterinarians treat wounds, administer vaccinations, prescribe medication, perform diagnostic tests, pregnancy check, and operate if necessary. With my experience around large animals and being in a vet class, I have watched prolapse and pneumonia treated on swine, experienced pregnancy checks and pulling calves on my own cattle, helped with the artificial insemination process, giving antibiotics and treating ringworm on my cattle, and learned how to suture and handle animals in vet class.

I am looking to take on the role of a large animal vet to either start as an employee or to start my own practice. I would be best for this career because I have the experience, knowledge, leadership skills, great communication, problem solving skills and the love and compassion for large animals.

I would like to learn more about my career choice to deepen the knowledge of the process of veterinary schooling, and qualifications. I look forward to following up and speaking with you further.

Sincerely,  
Emma Phelps