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## REPORT OF THE RBC STUDENT REPRESENTATIVE April 2019

## Ms. Kayla Hand

With a sigh of relief and help from my learner mentor, my application to attend William & Mary was completed at the beginning of March. It was a bittersweet moment for me. While I was excited for the next part of my academic journey, the realization that my last semester at Richard Bland College was nearing an end was melancholy. RBC has done so much to help me succeed with my career aspiration of becoming a nurse anesthetist. The professors are a big reason why I feel so prepared for the next stage of my life. They care about student success every day. When my hectic schedule didn't always coincide with office hours, my professors made adjustments to their schedules that ensured I had a full understanding of the course material. It's this type of academic support that makes RBC a special place to attend.

Not to be overlooked in my RBC experiences are the transfer agreements with colleges throughout Virginia that enable students to easily continue and fulfill their academic and lifelong dreams. RBC provided me with an amazing education and opportunities I never imagined possible. Great professors, small classroom sizes, lifelong relationships and the ability to be a student-athlete the past two years are memories I'll cherish forever.

Thank you, RBC!