



### **Letter of Intent:**

My name is Chelsea LaFarge and I am Student in the University of Northern Colorado Athletic Training Program. I am a very active member of our school's Athletic Training Society; this last year I co-planned our 1st Athletic Training Olympics. The Olympics was designed as an educational tool for students outside of our program and was a great success. I am very excited to have the opportunity to bring my enthusiasm, communication skills, and leadership skills to a greater scale and help to get all of the ATEP schools in the Rocky Mountain Region involved. We as students are the future of this exciting profession, but we must be actively involved, as you know, we are never just standing on the sidelines so why do so when it comes to our own vocation.

I hope that along with this year's President of RMSATA we can increase student involvement by increasing student education – in terms of current RMSATA issues and activities, increase district-wide communication, and work to increase overall student enthusiasm. I am excited to be going to RMATA symposium in May and begin generating new ideas on how we can build onto an already successful program.

### **Biography:**

My Name is Chelsea LaFarge. I was born and raised in Colorado. I went to Denver school of the Arts for High School and was president of many student organizations. I played baseball for 7 years before switching to fast pitch softball for 3 years. It was during a junior year fast pitch game that I got injured and found myself in the Athletic Training room of my high school. Ever since then I've know that I wanted to be an athletic trainer.

After graduating from Northern Colorado I plan to continue my education as a graduate assistant while earning my masters in higher education. From there I would like to work at the collegiate level, possibly teaching Athletic Training Education Program classes - or move to the high school level and teach biology and anatomy during the day and be the school's athletic trainer - either way I will be doing what I'm passionate for and that's athletic training.