Cut and Burn

Dear dad,

Why would you say no?

Everyone who is important is augmented now. Sandy did it last year and now she is at a MECH school getting MECH grades and soon when she graduates, she can make MECH money. I want to do better for me, for us. This could change everything for us. I don't want to be just human anymore. I want more than that for my life.

Uncle Gerard is offering us a gift we could never afford. I know I'm only 15, but this is my one chance. Cybernetics saves lives. Please change your mind.

Love,

Nathan

[cut this bottom part off and then burn it Leave the top part where they can find it.]

Please say yes to the enhancement.

I don't want to be a MECH for the inhuman strength or to play sports at a superhuman level or read a sign a mile away. Or to access all the information, all the time. Or have the med doses, good houses, money; all the things we don't have.

I want to be a MECH to be one of them.

And then fuck them up.

They treat us Carbs like human garbage. Soft, weak and stupid humans. They're starving us out and no one will care because the MECHs write the history. They're already calling it Cybernetic Darwinism. We disgust them. They slaughtered hundreds of unarmed Carbs in Schaumburg last year in the protests and nothing happened. They held you for months because they called you "erratic," while me and Charlie had to fend for ourselves in this slime pit eating freeze-dried porridge.

I want to punish them. I can only do it as one of them. Let me do this. I'll change history. Maybe I can even find mom. Please change your mind.