



SPRING 2025

SCHOLARSHIP EDITION

MERCER COUNTY CIVIC FOUNDATION

2025 Scholarship Season

I am honored to be the recipient of the University Women and Jane Stachler scholarships. I promise to work hard pursuing my degree in elementary education. My goal is to return to my community and make a meaningful impact on our youth.

I am committed to working hard and learning as much as possible.

Mylee Sapp, Celina
University Women and
Jane Stachler Scholarship



The future looks bright, and thanks to our scholarship fundholders, it is even brighter for the 128 students who received a total of more than \$300,000 in funds to support their education beyond high school.

The Foundation holds 82 scholarship funds, many of which provide more than one award to students who live in Mercer County or surrounding areas.

Scholarships are an excellent way to memorialize loved ones, create a lasting legacy, and share a passion for supporting education.

TRI-STAR

Esmonde Family: Alanna Mescher, Nick Steinbrunner, Brady Steinbrunner

Tri Star Eternal: Gavin Evers, Olivia Will, Ashlyn Moeller, Whitney Tangeman, Alanna Mescher, Cecelia Sutter, Jenna Hart, Brooklyn Fiely



Kendra Stetler meets with the Esmonde Scholarship winners before Tri Star's graduation ceremony.



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CELINA HIGH SCHOOL

Marian Abrams: Elise Muether

Jerry Andrew: Nick Steinbrunner, Jaclynn Felver, Allie Gray

Armcorp Construction: Kaitlyn Muhlenkamp, Lillian Heckler

Assure: Kaden Steed

Celina Insurance: Gavin Fisher

Class of 1959: Trey Highly

Colson, Deitsch, White: Kathryn Braun

Betty Dabbelt: Taryn Willwrath

Bill & Patsy Dawson: Alexandria Kimmel

Dewy & Ruth Dawson: Trey Highly

Eastview Park: Kaiden Werntz

Ann Esselstein: Kaitlyn Dodds

Jeanette Gilmore: Lillian Heckler

John & Ruth Houts: Carson Staugler

Carl & Michelle Huber: Taryn Willwrath, Allie Gray

Lefeld Family: Kaitlyn Muhlenkamp

Phil Long: Kaden Steed

Bill & Pat Meikle: Kristoffer Melendrez

MCCF: Kaitlyn Dodds, Kaitlyn Muhlenkamp, Brooke Faber, Jackie Zhang, Lillian Heckler

Paul & Helen Meyer: Kathryn Braun, Kaden Steed

Operation Freedom Support: Kaden Steed, Ilea Puthoff

Dan Otten: Brooke Faber, Jaclynn Felver, Autumn Klosterman, Nick Steinbrunner, Jackie Zhang

IW Pogue: Taryn Willwrath

Chris Reichert: Jaclynn Felver, Kaiden Werntz

John Schulte: Kathryn Braun

Tony Sherrill: Nick Steinbrunner

Parker & Margret Snyder: Kathryn Braun

Jane Stachler: Mylee Sapp

Bruce Strohl: Trinity Shoupe, Kaitlyn Dodds

University Women: Mylee Sapp

I am honored to have been selected and truly appreciate your support.

Receiving this scholarship motivates me to work even harder and gives me further drive to work towards my goals. This opportunity inspires me to give back and serve my community just as you guys have for students like me.

Thank you again for your generosity and belief in my potential.

*Jackie Zhang, Celina
MCCF Celina Scholarship*



Alexandria Kimmel happily accepts the Bill and Patsy Dawson scholarship from Sharon Green. This award supports students seeking elementary education, veterinary science or nursing degrees.



Nate Boley presents Nick Steinbrunner with a Jerry Andrew Scholarship. Jerry's generous scholarship fund provides three \$3,000 awards to Celina students.



Michele Huber presents Allie Gray with the Teacher of Influence Scholarship. In her essay, Allie shared how elementary teacher Angie Stoner taught her ASL during recess.

COLDWATER HIGH SCHOOL

Armcorp Construction: Brady Mathewson

Fred Borger: John Lange

Walter & Evelyn Braun: Natalie Vogel

Celina Insurance Group: Oliva Broering

Coldwater Eagles: Brady Mathewson, Russell Moorman, Mason Welsch, Miles Pottkotter, William Barry, Shanna Schmitmeyer, Andrew Moorman, Aaron Kaup, Baylen Blockberger, Rudi Gross, Tyler Overman, Brady Lefeld

Desch-Sowar: Izaak Botkin, Jenna Heuing

Scott Dippold: Oliva Broering

Brian Harlamert: Miles Pottkotter

John & Ruth Houts: Izaak Botkin

Maras Family: Brady Mathewson

Operation Freedom Support: Cody Depweg, Andrew Moorman, Ethan Elander

Tom & Pam Pottkotter: Kiersten Keller

Kathy Schenking: Brady Lefeld

Dr. Emerita & Henry Schulte: Drew Franck

Matt & Coletta Schwieterman: Lucy Langenkamp

Smith/Turner Engineering: Cody Depweg

Parker & Margaret Snyder: Natalie Vogel

University Women: Jenna Heuing

Cale Wenning: Cody Depweg

Willhoff Family: Olivia Broering

Zeiringer Family: Russell Moorman

I am honored to be chosen as a recipient of your scholarship. This generous award will make a meaningful difference as I begin my journey towards a degree. I am excited for what lies ahead, and your support gives me the confidence and opportunity to focus fully on my education. Thank you for helping me take this important step toward my future.

Russell Moorman, Coldwater
Zehringer Family
Scholarship



Miles Pottkotter accepts the Brian Harlamert Memorial Scholarship from Trish Harlamert. She shared Miles embodies the characteristics Brian celebrated in athletes.



Cale Wenning's best friend, Kailyn Harrison, presents the first scholarship in his memory to Cody Depweg.



Brady Lefeld, the recipient of the Kathy Schenking Memorial Scholarship poses with presenters Dan Schenking and Taylor Westgerdes.

FT. RECOVERY HIGH SCHOOL

Terry Bidlack: Gabriel Knapke

Mary Alice Bruns: Ava Grisez

Virginia Baker Franke: Drew Backs

John & Ruth Houts: Ben Reinhard

Joe Meiring: Marlee Fiely, Kennedy Muhlekamp, Ava Grisez, Isabella Taft

Operation Freedom Support: Gabriel Knapke

Staugler & Cooper: Kassidy Dues

Back row: Sharon Green, Gabe Knapke, Ben Reinhard, Kennedy Muhlenkamp, Drew Backs. Front row: Isabella Taft, Ava Grisez, Marlee Fiely, Kassidy Dues



MARION LOCAL HIGH SCHOOL

Armcorp Construction: Drew Lause

Coldwater Eagles: Brooke Evers

Eugene & Mary Dieringer: Emma Wilker, Brooke Evers

Dan Hollinger: Kelsey Bergman

Ben Homan: Parker Hess

John & Ruth Houts: Adam Winner

MCCF Tri Star: Ava Ranly

Mercer County Retired Teachers: Emma Wilker

Parker & Margeret Snyder: Natalie Evers

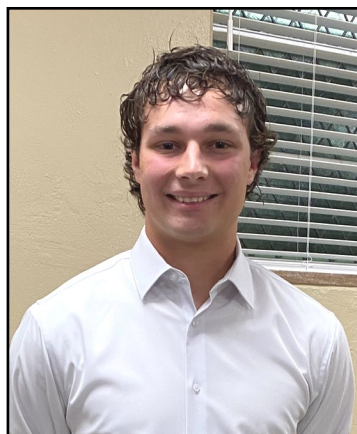
Zahn Memorial: Ian Rindler, Hayden Poeppelman, Chloe Ronnebaum, Luke Kunkler, Avae Unrast, Parker Hess, Ryan Homan, Emma Wilker, Adam Winner, Ethan Heitkamp, Natalie Evers, Carmen Price, Caleb Huelsman, Elise Heitkamp, Kelsey Bergman



Emma Wilker, recipient of the Mercer County Retired Teachers' Scholarship, poses with proud mom Christina.

This scholarship money will help allow me the opportunity to become a nurse. Being able to help others as a full time job truly is a dream come true. Thanks for your generosity and support.

Elise Heitkamp, Marion Local
Zahn Memorial



Drew Lause will use his Armcorp Scholarship toward a degree in Construction Management at Bowling Green University.

PARKWAY HIGH SCHOOL

Bruns Construction Enterprises: Brayden Bruns

Davis-McNutt: Grace Pontsler

Carey, Bill, & Benny: Evan Kimmel

Carl & Ella Dietrich: Briann Scudder

Ann Esselstein: Xavier Samples

Russel & Rosemary Hagar: Cora Schumm

John & Ruth Houts: Brayden Bruns

Lefeld Family: Amanda Barrett

Ferm Moorman: Helena Sinning

Operation Freedom Support: Braedn Conn

Parkway Retired Teachers: Helena Sinning

Angus Purdy: Gabe Cross

Lee & Marlene Purdy: Mackenzie Kellermeyer

Parker & Margaret Snyder: Adria Miller, Cora Schumm

The Mendon Union: Shay Boroff



Nikki Fox shares a joyful moment with Evan Kimmel, recipient of the Carey, Bill and Benny Scholarship.



Briann Scudder accepts the Carl & Ella Dietrich Scholarship from board member Karla Butler.

ST. HENRY HIGH SCHOOL

Mary Alice Bruns: Brianna Mangen

Coldwater Eagles: Leah Lefeld, Amelia Siefring, Adyson Bruggeman, Kennedy Wendel

Randy Griesdorn: Madison Steinlage

John & Ruth Houts: Claire Moeller

Beth Kaiser: Eva Schmitz

Lefeld Family: Leah Lefeld

MCCF Tri Star: Alanna Mescher

Jane Schwieterman Moran: Ellie Fullenkamp

Operation Freedom Support: Griffin Ontrop

Parker & Margeret Synder: Alanna Mescher, Erica Sutter

University Women: Heidi Franck

Joe Werling: Leah Lefeld

Marilyn Werling: Lauren Thieman



Phil Fullenkamp congratulates Alanna Mescher on her scholarship awards. (far left)

Heidi Franck, University Women-Evelyn Meyers recipient, thanks Beth Weber for the award. (left)

Thank you for the scholarship! I hope one day to give back to the community like you do. I have been fortunate enough to see the specialness of my community. The area we live in is so special in so many ways—it helps set future generations up for success. Thanks again.

Lauren Thieman, St. Henry Marilyn Werling Scholarship

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POST HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

ASSURE: Sara Schwieterman, Zoe Newcomb, Rachel Schroyer, Jenna Leugers

Bair Pharmacy : Leah Heitkamp

Cheryl Stucke Braun: Elizabeth Huwer

Helen James: Carly Fullenkamp

Henrietta Logan: Ashlyn Bohman

Medical Science: Rachel Partington

MCCF Combined: Carley Fullenkamp, Brooke Wyerick

Mersman Brothers: Jocelyn Tuenté, Morgan Guggenbiller

Tyler Mescher: Jocelyn Tuenté

C M Montgomery: Troy Weigel

Parkway Retired Teachers: Allison Hughes

Jane Stachler Music: Kale Sudhoff

University Women: Brooklyn Fiely, Abigail Knapke

ADDITIONAL AWARDS

Bruns Construction Enterprises: Laura Clevidence, Arlington HS

Celina Insurance Group: Brynn Egbert, New Knoxville HS

Coldwater Eagles: Allyson Pape, New Bremen HS; Madison Gaerke, Liberty Benton HS; Lia Bruncak, Olentangy HS

Raymond & Mary Wenning: Leanne Wendeln, Minster HS

Thank you for selecting me to be the recipient of this scholarship. It is going to be a big help for me. It is always nice to have one less thing to worry about.

Gavin Fisher, Celina
Celina Insurance Group

