



NEWS RELEASE

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Total Scholarships Increased Again as Community Supports East and West High Schools Seniors

West Bend – More than 150 West Bend East and West High Schools seniors recently received scholarships from local foundations, individuals and families, businesses, civic organizations, and more for post-secondary education at four-year and two-year colleges, universities, and technical schools. The total amount of local scholarships awarded reached \$940,400.

New scholarships in 2025 include Class of 1958, Jeannie Hibelink, Martina Hartwell Memorial, Philip J. Hway Memorial, and Youth Impact Club Zak Schmoldt Memorial.

It was announced that Adam Hassenstein received a Navy ROTC scholarship and Alec Pitzen received an Air Force ROTC scholarship.

There are several local foundations and organizations that have awarded scholarships for a number of years to deserving students. These entities and the 2025 winners are:

Winners of the **Ziegler Family Foundation Fund** scholarships are:

Anthony Gonnering

Dakota Gunnare

Owen Schloemer

Reed White

Evelyn Wolfe

Winners of the **Rolfs Educational Foundation** scholarships are:

Alexander Krasotin

Kenzie Ritger

Winners of the **Froedtert West Bend Hospital Foundation** scholarships are:

Gianna Burgos
Samantha Eckert

Winner of the **Froedtert West Bend Hospital Partners** scholarship is:

Avah Banks

Winners of the the **COLUMNS-Oscar and Augusta Schlegel Foundation** scholarships are:

Emma Betz
Elyse Reedell

Winners of the **Suder-Pick Foundation** academic scholarships are:

Natalia Averill
Madison Bell
Hayley Hubert
Izzabelle Redig

Winners of the **Suder-Pick Foundation** technical scholarship are:

Declan Cira
Ethan Emery
Lillian Knoblauch
Benjamin LaTour
Joaquin Ovalle
Brady Schaumberg
Collin Schaumberg
Conner Trahan

Winner of the **West Bend Insurance Company** scholarship is:

Noah Mintie

Winners of the **Milwaukee Foundation Silvia & Edward R. Droppers** Scholarship is:

Eden Donaldson
Stephanie Granec
Arrah Markohn
Annalise Speth

The local COLUMNS organization awarded numerous scholarships of its own and it awarded local scholarships it administers. All other scholarships awarded:

Madelyn Abel: West Bend Order of the Eastern Star

Ayla Abraham: Howard-Juech

Kylee Altendorf: Ann Saugstad Memorial, Anna Gossel Memorial, Carol Kellogg "Class Act"

Memorial

Marley Andrae: Class of 1958

Jacob Andrist: Dan Becker Memorial, Moraine Park Foundation HS Senior

Kylie Axness: Wayne Heidel-Jennifer Semmann Foundation, COLUMNS Academic

Callaghan Baker: West Bend West Athletic Booster Club

Avah Banks: West Bend Kiwanis Foundation (Noon Club)

Ethan Bast: Wildcat Wrestling

Lilly Beane: West Bend Lions Club

Nathan Bell: Gracia Hemmings Memorial, COLUMNS Academic

Madison Bell: Wisconsin Academic Excellence

Charles Benning: WB Youth Football Organization, Lorna Waechter Memorial, West Bend High School Trap Team

Sarah Berken: Michael H. Strelka Memorial

Emma Betz: YIC Zak Schmoltdt Memorial, Summit Credit Union

Isabella Blair: COLUMNS Academic

Caden Blake: COLUMNS Academic

Brookelynn Bodden: Constance Dentzler Memorial

Addison Boylen: Ray L. Engelking Memorial

Annika Brekke: S.E.E.D., Roots & Branches

Siera Buechler: Dr. Greg Gamache Memorial, COLUMNS Academic

Judith Cabrera Gurroila: Dream to Succeed

Rhys Chesick: Kettle Moraine Support Services

Sydney Clemons: Marilou W. Chapman Memorial

Margaret Conklin: Fritz Wiedmeyer Memorial, Muriel and John Zettel Memorial, West Bend Kiwanis Foundation (Noon Club)

Raegan Cunningham: Joseph Zadra Memorial, COLUMNS Academic

Jack Dahlberg: WB Youth Football Organization

Theodore Danaher: Mildred Schlegel Memorial

Paige Davidson: Jeannie Hibelink, COLUMNS Academic

Brock Deist: Thelma and Norman Schowalter Memorial

Samantha Eckert: Wisconsin Academic Excellence

Quinlin Ehlke: Student Council (STUCO)

Luke Fredricks: Thelma and Norman Schowalter Memorial, COLUMNS Academic

Finley Gaffney: Wisconsin Technical Excellence

Lucy Geib: Thelma and Norman Schowalter Memorial

Justin Geniesse: Muriel and John Zettel Memorial

Traynor Gieryn: Alan and Nancy Pick Memorial, Al Carrier / Bob Neja Scholar-Athlete

Lennix Gildner: Gracia Hemmings Memorial, COLUMNS Academic

Anthony Gonnering: YIC Zak Schmoltdt Memorial, Summit Credit Union

Stephanie Granec: Nancy and Jerry Mehring

Dakota Gunnare: Wisconsin Academic Excellence

Allison Gunville: Viola Wendt Memorial

Stephanie Gurrola: WBHS High School of Business, Dream to Succeed
Paige Guse: Munding Family, Muriel and John Zettel Memorial
Georgia Haddorff: Allen and Diane Spaeth, Lois I. and Robert J. Dunlop, COLUMNS Academic
Carson Hammer: WBHS High School of Business
Alexandria Hanrahan: West Bend Lions Club, COLUMNS Academic
Adam Hasenstein: Navy ROTC Scholarship
Payton Hegwood: Curt Stockhausen Automotive
Hunter Helgeson: John and Marian Thoma Family
Benjamin Hesse: Dale L. Westby Memorial, Philip J. Hway Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Caleb Hillshafer: Wildcat Wrestling, Michael Allen Sheehy Memorial
Jacob Hillshafer: Wildcat Wrestling, Michael Allen Sheehy Memorial
Lily Inkmann: Herbert Melbinger Memorial
Ezra Jenkins: Kaiser Family, Muriel and John Zettel Memorial
Lyra Keegan: Kettle Moraine Appliance and Sleep Center
Rachel Kelly: Community Trust Nursing
Lukas Kiefer: West Bend East Athletic Booster Club
Kambell Kletzine: Mildred Schlegel Memorial
Addison Koenig: Fritz Wiedmeyer Memorial
Alissa Koenings: Wisconsin Technical Excellence
Connor Kohls: Wayne Heidel-Jennifer Semmann Foundation, COLUMNS Academic
Aiden Kuechler: Curt Stockhausen Automotive, Daniel D. Kruepke Memorial
Addison Landy: West Bend Masonic Lodge, John P. and Rita M. Steinbach
Cieara Lebeck: Alyce M. Kraemer Memorial
Kaleb Lorenz: COLUMNS Academic
Alex Lukaszewicz: Mauland Cross Country Scholar Athlete, De Chant Family, Optimist Club
Ryder Margelowsky: COLUMNS Academic
Arrah Markohn: WB Children's Theatre, West Bend Order of the Eastern Star, Moraine Park
Foundation HS Senior
Jordyn Merkel: West Bend Women's Club, COLUMNS Academic
Liam Mickie: Thomas Kreif/Eric Scharenbrock Bear Paw, COLUMNS Academic
Jack Miller: COLUMNS Academic
Danielle Moederndorfer: Memorial Go-Cart
Isabella Multerer: Julie Jansen Elementary Education, COLUMNS Academic
Rachel Nagel: Lorna Waechter Memorial
Carmine Nanez: Curt Stockhausen Construction
Devin Niedfeldt: Curt Stockhausen Construction
Drew Nielsen: Richard N. Bell and Marjorie (Bell) Schellinger Memorial

Sydney O'Connor: Joyce C. Krueger Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Ariana Omernick-Hamlin: Kettle Moraine Appliance and Sleep Center
Leah Oresnik: Viola Wendt Memorial
McKennah Orth: Lorna Waechter Memorial, Student Council (STUCO)
Annelise Paczesny: COLUMNS Academic

Brady Paczesny: Elmore A. Kraemer Memorial
Emerson Papendorf: Albert C. Kieckhafer (MSOE), COLUMNS Academic
Caroline Paquin: COLUMNS Academic
Evan Pitzen: WBHS High School of Business, Kaiser Family, COLUMNS Academic
Ian Ressler: Jean Kieckhafer Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Estefania Reyes Ignacio: Dream to Succeed
Jennylee Rivera: Wisconsin Technical Excellence, Dream to Succeed, Memorial Go-Kart
Angelina Rodriguez: Wisconsin Technical Excellence, Dream to Succeed
Audrianna Roecker Smith: Martina Hartwell Memorial, David Mossman Memorial, West Bend
West Athletic Booster Club
Mackenzie Rolf: Ralph O. Eggert, COLUMNS Academic
Madison Rummel: Stanley and Frances Hetland Memorial
Maycie Santoro: National Exchange Bank Foundation, COLUMNS Academic
Owen Schloemer: Wisconsin Academic Excellence
Leah Schmidt: Wayne Heidel-Jennifer Semmann Foundation
Hannah Schmidt: Wisconsin Technical Excellence
Ryan Schneider: COLUMNS Academic
Michelle Schoenfeldt: Dr. Al and June Grundahl Memorial Music
Mikayla Schroeder: West Bend East Athletic Booster Club, COLUMNS Academic, Al Carrier / Bob
Neja Scholar-Athlete
Nathan Schultz: Elmore A. Kraemer Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Edward Scott: WB Education Association, Louise Schloemer Roth Memorial
Elaina Shaver: West Bend Masonic Lodge, Frau Wanta German, Helen A. Hillman Memorial
Michael Sipe: SAGA
Riley Soman: West Bend Sunrise Rotary - Academic
Kaylee Spaar: Mark and Beth Bensen Family - Technical
Mallory Spaeth: James Forrest Block Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Ryan Spaeth: Wayne Heidel-Jennifer Semmann Foundation, West Bend Woolen Mills Enterprise,
COLUMNS Academic
Annalise Speth: WB West Athletic Booster Club
Isabella Stehly: Liz (Clark) Johnson Memorial
Mackenna Steiner: Reuben and Sally Schmahl Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Caron Steinhaus: West Bend Sunrise Rotary – Technical, Frank and Betty Plischounig Memorial
Beau Stern: Gladys Muehl Memorial
Sophia Stoltz: Brianna Martz Memorial, West Bend Kiwanis Foundation (Noon Chapter)
Reed Strohfeltd: Ira A. Oelhafen Memorial
Allison Suber: Lorna Waechter Memorial, WB Education Association, West Bend Kiwanis
Foundation (Noon Chapter), West National Honor Society
Gianna Tamez: Jeanne B. Ziegler Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Audrey Tews: Lynn LaPorte Memorial, COLUMNS Academic
Ameilia Thomas: Marilou W. Chapman Memorial
Aubrey Turcotte: Alyce M. Kraemer Memorial
Amiya Turner: Dale Stockhausen Veterinary Science

Antonio Turner, Jr.: WB Children's Theatre, Jodi Kleibel Memorial, David E. Schleif Memorial
Avery Uebersetzig: COLUMNS Academic
Hilary Van Beek: COLUMNS Academic, Lt. Ray Dickop Post 36 American Legion
Sophia Voigt: Julie Jansen Elementary Education
Isabella Wagner: Mark and Beth Bensen Family - Academic
Tyler Walsh: Dr. Greg Gamache Memorial, West Bend Woolen Mill Enterprise, COLUMNS
Academic
Joel Walter: Mueller Scholarship, John W. Roth
Grant Walter: West Bend West Basketball (Boys), Janto Family Scholar-Athlete, Emily Roehrig
Leah Waraksa: Dale Stockhausen Veterinary Science
Mason Warczak: John and Karen Larson Heritage, COLUMNS Academic
Abigail Weberg: Big Cedar Lake Property Owners Association
Reed White: Optimist Club
Ashley Wick: Pennington Medical
Connor Wick: Philip J. Hway Memorial
Madelyn Willmas: Lt. Ray Dickop Post 36 American Legion, Janto Family Scholar-Athlete, West
Bend Athletic Booster Club
Evelyn Wolfe: Wisconsin Academic Excellence
Olivia Worth: Dr. Steven J. Engelbrecht Memorial, West Bend High School Trap Team
Marissa Zdroik: Anna Gossel Memorial, National Exchange Bank Foundation

The West Bend Joint School District #1 is proud to serve nearly 5,400 students and their families from the city of West Bend, villages of Jackson and Newburg, and townships of Barton, Polk, Trenton, Jackson, West Bend, and Addison. We strive to ensure that every student is given the opportunity to reach their potential through academics, the arts, and co-curricular activities. Within our community-based 4K program, Head Start program, five elementary schools (K-4), one intermediate school (5-6), one middle school (7-8), and two high schools (9-12), families can expect a caring, inclusive learning environment that supports the development of the whole child. Visit www.west-bend.k12.wi.us for more information.

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