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— Class of —
2020

WELCOME 2020 SCHOLARS

Welcome Class of 2020 Wallin Education Partners Scholars!! You are graduating from high school and starting college at an extraordinary time. Despite the challenges presented by a global pandemic, we know you are resilient and ready for your next step. We hope you take pride in your accomplishments and are excited about college. This year, you will be one of over 1000 students in our program and will join over 5000 former scholars. We know you appreciate the support of your family, friends, and many teachers, counselors, administrators, and mentors who have played an important role in helping prepare you for the journey ahead. Be sure to thank those who have helped you arrive at this moment of celebration.

Maxine and Win Wallin began a scholarship program in 1992 to help students with financial need access a college education and complete a college degree. As a businessman and civic leader, Win recognized that a thriving economy depends on a skilled, diverse workforce and this focus continues today. The Wallin family supports fifty scholarships each year and are joined by many other individual, family, corporate and foundation donors, including NorthStar Education Finance, who support named scholarships or who make significant contributions to our program.

Wallin Education Partners scholarships include four years of financial aid as well as comprehensive, individualized support to ensure degree completion. Each year the program is evaluated, modified and enhanced to ensure that we deliver on our promise of an unwavering commitment to scholar success. The 90% six-year college graduation rate of our scholars makes Wallin Education Partners one of the most successful college completion programs in the country.

As a member of the class of 2020, you were selected because of your accomplishments in high school and your commitment to your family and community. We believe that you are ready to succeed in college and look forward to working closely with you to ensure that your college experience is rich and meaningful and leads to a fulfilling career. Our trustees, staff and donor partners will be cheering you on. Welcome to the Wallin Education Partners family!

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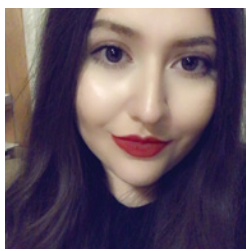
Chuck Denny AWARD

Chuck Denny was a successful businessman, community leader and philanthropist. At his memorial service in November 2019, Chuck was remembered for his statesmanship, leadership and innumerable contributions to Minnesota. As Chairman of the Board of Wallin Education Partners at a critical point in our history, Chuck's clarity of purpose, integrity and kindness left an indelible mark on the organization. Established in 2016, the Chuck Denny award is given to Wallin EP scholars who are continuing their education in graduate school and who have demonstrated a commitment to community engagement and public service.

KRYSTAL AVILES

Krystal Aviles graduated from the University of Minnesota/Twin Cities with a major in psychology. She will begin studies for a Master of Social Work at the University of Denver in fall 2020. Krystal has known that she wanted to work in a helping profession and held numerous direct care roles in residential programs for adults with disabilities including supervised visitation with families involved in the child welfare system. Krystal wants to pursue a career in child welfare, which will be her concentration in her graduate program.



MONIQUE PLASTER

Monique Plaster completed her undergraduate degree at Hamline University with co-majors in English and Education, as well as receiving ESL and TEFL certifications, and will begin student teaching in fall 2020. Monique has a special interest in supporting marginalized students with language skills and hopes to someday work on educational policy and administration.

3M SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2009
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 63

3Mgives has partnered with Wallin Education Partners since 2009 to offer college scholarships and professional advising services to students who are furthering their education in science, technology, engineering or business.

3M has helped to improve lives through innovative products and solutions and through investments in our communities around the world. Since 1953, 3M has donated nearly $1.6 billion in cash and in-kind gifts to education and non-profit organizations. 3Mgives has partnered with Saint Paul Public School District for over 40 years to help students achieve, graduate, and be ready for postsecondary education.

TANIA ACEVEDO GARCIA

Washington Technology Magnet School
Bethel University

PAW HSER

Washington Technology Magnet School
University of Minnesota - Duluth

SUMMER THAO

Hmong College Prep Academy
St. Catherine University

CHENG VANG

Creative Arts Secondary School
St. Olaf College

Andersen Corporation SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2017
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 8

Andersen was founded in 1903 on the philosophy of working "all together" to deliver on our promise to our customers. Every day, more than 10,000 employees are empowered to imagine what's possible and do what's right. As the most trusted and most preferred windows and doors company among homeowners, Andersen delivers products for the way people live, unmatched performance for the comfort and security homeowners desire, and endless design options to achieve any style.

Headquartered in Bayport, Minn., Andersen Corporation and its subsidiaries manufacture and market window and door products under the Andersen®, Renewal by Andersen®, EMCO®, Weiland®, MQ™ and Heritage™ brands. Andersen, a privately held company, operates manufacturing sites across North America and Europe. Andersen has earned the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's 2018 ENERGY STAR® Partner of the Year – Sustained Excellence Award. Visit us at andersenwindows.com.

AISHA MOHAMED

Ubah Medical Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

RINCHEN SAKYA

Irondale High School
St. Olaf College

Archibald Bush SCHOLARS

BUSH FOUNDATION

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2018
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 42

The Bush Foundation invests in great ideas and the people who power them across Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota and the 23 Native nations that share the same geography. We work to inspire and support creative problem solving — within and across sectors — to make our region better for everyone. The Foundation was established in 1953 by Archibald Bush and his wife, Edyth, and has since invested over one billion dollars in grants to thousands of organizations and individuals who think bigger and think differently about solutions to problems in their communities.

The Archibald Bush Scholarship is given in honor of Archie Bush and his lifelong commitment to St. Paul and Granite Falls.

A Granite Falls native, Archie joined Minnesota Mining and Manufacturing (3M) as a bookkeeper in 1909 and rose through the ranks to become the chair of the executive committee. In 1919 he met and married his wife Edyth. With no children of their own to inherit their $300 million estate, Archie and Edyth established the Bush Foundation in St. Paul to fund a range of programs and purposes.

The Bush Foundation has seen a lot of change over the past 65-plus years. Throughout that time, what hasn't changed is our commitment to do the most possible good with the resources Archie and Edyth left to the community.

ILHAN ABDULLAHI

Central Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

REZAN AHMED

Highland Park High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

YASMEEN CABALLERO

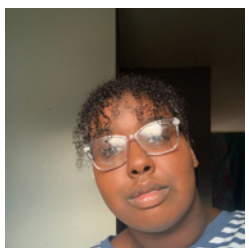
Highland Park High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

MAO CHANG

Johnson High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

VAI CHENG

Harding High School
St. Olaf College



RUWEYDA EGAL

Highland Park High School
Drake University

Archibald Bush SCHOLARS

EMILY JOHNSON

Yellow Medicine East High School
South Dakota State University

MEGAN NORDAUNE

Yellow Medicine East High School
Southwest Minnesota State University

MARLEY LARA

Yellow Medicine East High School
Southwest Minnesota State University

TIANA RUPP

Yellow Medicine East High School
South Dakota State University

ISAAC MOHAMMED NUR

Como Park Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

DEE THAO

Humboldt High School
Hamline University

DRAKE VANG

Johnson High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

PANG DAO XIONG

Como Park Senior High School
Augsburg College

Boston Scientific SCHOLARS

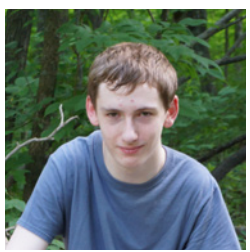
DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2013
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 16

Boston Scientific transforms lives through innovative medical solutions that improve the health of patients around the world. As a global medical technology leader for more than 35 years, we advance science for life by providing a broad range of high performance solutions that address unmet patient needs and reduce the cost of healthcare.

Our Boston Scientific Scholars receive funding for their education, but our commitment goes far deeper. Participants in the program—who represent some of the most critically needed demographics in science and healthcare—gain access to mentors, internships, leadership and development opportunities and the ability to participate in the company's Employee Resource Groups. In doing so, Boston Scientific is investing in our future employees, future physicians and future thinkers who will harness the powers of science to benefit humankind.

ALEXANDER PERALTA

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
University of Minnesota - TC



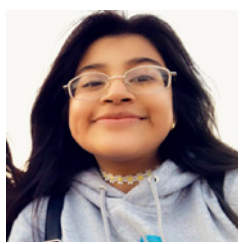
JOSEPH SKLUZACEK

Fridley High School
Saint Cloud State University

Brian Urke Memorial Fund SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2017
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 1

The Urke Memorial Scholarship was established to honor Brian Urke, a longtime Medtronic executive, husband, and father of five who lost his battle with Leukemia after a long courageous fight. Brian was a Minnesota native-born and raised who attended the University of Minnesota and made his career here in the Twin Cities. He was known for being an incredibly hard worker and for setting very high expectations both at work and at home. Brian took great pride in his family and made them a priority, with a special focus on their educations. Brian overcame Leukemia in his 20s and then more recently he overcame multiple recurrences, each time getting into remission and returning as much as he could to his work and home life obligations, before a final recurrence which could not be beaten. The Urke Memorial Scholarship is established by colleagues from Medtronic who would like a promising high school student to receive the same benefit of a college education that Brian felt so important for his own family. We hope that someday the Urke scholar will contribute to their career and community with the same passion and energy that Brian brought every day.



KATHERINE RUIZ RODRIGUEZ

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
St. Catherine University

Bright Beacon Collective SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2020
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 1

BRIGHT BEACON COLLECTIVE

In the wake of George Floyd's killing, Bright Beacon Collective was formed by a group of University of Minnesota alumni and friends. We came together with a shared belief that equity in education is a necessary step toward dismantling systemic racism. Bright Beacon Collective is excited to work with Wallin Partners to support our inaugural Scholar in achieving their academic and career goals.

TAWFEEQ AKINDELE

Highland Park Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Cornwall SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2013
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 26

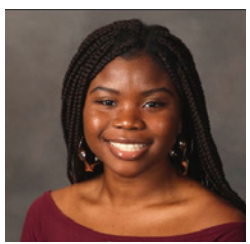
Mary Ann and Looe Baker III are among a group of donors who have joined with Wallin Education Partners to sponsor scholarships and support students through their college years. The Bakers selected you as a Cornwall Scholar because of your potential to be successful in college and in your career. Cornwall scholars' motivation, contributions to the community, and willingness to take rigorous classes will prepare each scholar for a successful college experience.

HAILEY LUNDGREN

Blaine High School
Winona State University

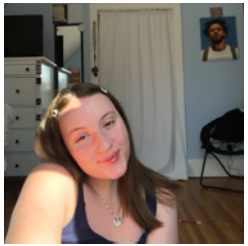
WESLYN HARMON

DeLaSalle High School
Howard University



IMELDA MONGO

DeLaSalle High School
Howard University



SASHA REIMAN

Roosevelt High School
Hamline University

DANIEL REYNOLDS

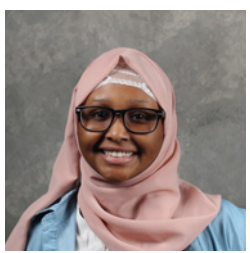
Andover High School
Augustana University

Cornwell SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2002
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 158

In 2002, we awarded our first Cornwell Scholarship to students from Minneapolis high schools. Since then we have had the greatest pleasure from seeing our students attend college, graduate and go out in this world using their talents and education to get good jobs and give back to this community.

We both grew up in the Twin Cities and both of us graduated from local colleges. We care deeply about our community and its future. Knowing that there are many worthy young people in our community who have great potential, but who maybe would not be able to attend college without financial help, we realized that this is a place we can now help others. We hope, of course that the scholarships benefit our students a lot, but one of the best things that has come out of this for us is that we have had a chance to meet and get to know wonderful young people from so many diverse backgrounds and ethnic groups that we might not have otherwise known. We see their earnest determination and motivation to do well in school so they can get fulfilling jobs and have a positive impact on society. We truly feel blessed to know and help these young scholars.



SAMIA AHMED

Edison High School
St. Catherine University

BIANEY BARRERA VELAZQUEZ

Hiawatha Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

DARARTU ELEMO

Southwest High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

CECELIA KAUFMANN

South High School
Gustavus Adolphus College

JACQUELINE MENDOZA PEREZ

Hiawatha Academy
St. Olaf College

ADINA YANG

South High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

RUIZHI ZHANG

Mounds View High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Dixon SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2013
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 7

George H. Dixon and Marjorie “Peggy” Dixon moved to Minnesota in 1968 when George became President of the First National Bank of Minneapolis. Both immediately became involved in the larger community. Peggy and George served on many non-profit boards, and George was a director of a number of public companies and a trustee of Carleton College for twenty-five years, and board chair for five. He served as Deputy Secretary of the Treasury in the Ford administration, and returned to Minnesota to head First Bank System, a predecessor of US Bank.

Both George and Peggy were intellectually curious and personally adventuresome. Peggy had grown up sailing in Rhode Island, and after George’s retirement they had a sailboat built in England, and they and their children sailed it across the Atlantic to the Caribbean. Peggy was an accomplished gardener, and George raised bees for sixty years and read widely, including in physics and astronomy. They were extremely generous people as well.

George chaired the search committee that brought Steve Lewis to Carleton as president in 1987. The Dixons were good friends and strong supporters of Steve and Judy Lewis. The Lewises, whose parents believed in the importance of education, established this scholarship in their honor.

The Dixon Scholarship is in its fifth year of being awarded. Through the Lewises’ generosity, the new Dixon scholar joins four Dixon scholars and two Lewis-Frost scholars.

THOMAS HOBDAY

Open World Learning Community
Saint Johns University

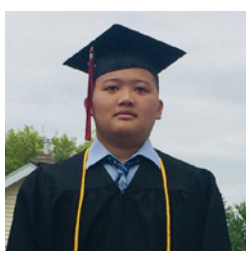
Donaldson SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2017
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 3

Donaldson Company, Inc. (NYSE: DCI), is a global leader in the filtration industry with sales, manufacturing and distribution locations around the world. Donaldson's innovative filtration technologies are designed to solve complex filtration challenges and enhance customers' equipment performance.

Founded in 1966, the Donaldson Foundation strives to make a meaningful impact in our communities. We proudly support programs and organizations that direct time and effort towards education. Program grants provided by the Donaldson Foundation impact a broad range of educational interests in our communities including early childhood development, K–12, post-secondary, adult learner and self-sufficiency education.

"We are proud to work with Wallin Education Partners again this year," said Nathalye Blok, president of the Donaldson Foundation. "Education is the main pillar of our mission and this grant will help improve the college experience for another deserving, high-potential student."



KENNY HOANG

Central Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Enterprise SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2010
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 151

Funding for the Enterprise Scholars is provided by the Enterprise Education Foundation, which was established to provide scholarships to academically qualified students from the Twin Cities area. We would like to especially acknowledge Vern Beck, who was the major contributor to our foundation. Vern left much of his estate to the Enterprise Education Foundation to help support a positive future for the young people of our community.

Our objective is to assist students from the Twin Cities area who are academically qualified, have financial need and have demonstrated leadership skills while in high school. We support scholars with an interest in the study of business or STEM programs. Enterprise has partnered with Wallin Education Partners since 2009, supporting 151 scholars. We know that supporting students is an investment in young people's education that will make a difference in our community.

MASNOO ADEM

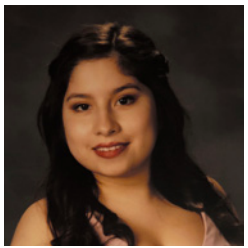
FAIR School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

JORGE ALAMILLA

Kennedy High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

FATIMA ANWAR

Blaine High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



DAMARIS AVILA-TELLEZ

Coon Rapids High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

JONATHAN BRIONES

Roosevelt High School
St. Olaf College

TANAVIA HARRINGTON

Edison High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

ANGELINA HER

Johnson High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

HAYDEN HERSTROM

Anoka High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Enterprise SCHOLARS

SOPHIA LEONHARDT

South High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

DAVID WORMAN

Washburn High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

JON PETERSON

Blaine High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

KA XIONG

Hopkins High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

KIM TRAN

North High School, North St. Paul
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

YWJPHEEJ YANG

Harding High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Esther Johnson SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2008
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 10

My mother, Esther Johnson, would have been a very good candidate for a Wallin Education Partners scholarship. From a poor farming family in southern Minnesota, she was oldest of seven children and first to graduate from high school. When it was time for her to continue her education, her mother became very ill and she was needed at home to care for her brothers and sisters. Mother was a genius at math and I know she would have thrived in college. I remember her with happiness and gratitude when a scholarship is given in her name.

SIMON JARCHO

Washburn High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Ettinger SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2016
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 24

The Ettinger Scholars are sponsored by Jeff and LeeAnn Ettinger. They believe in the value of education, and find it gratifying to help hard-working young people reach for their dreams. They live in Austin, Minnesota and have four adult children.

JACOBY ANDREWS

DeLaSalle High School
Howard University

DOMINIC APOLO

Austin High School
Saint Cloud State University

MYA BURKHART

Austin High School
University of Minnesota - Rochester

LUKAS HOWARD

Austin High School
University of St. Thomas

ERICA LUNDBERG

Austin High School
Winona State University

SALMA MASOOD

Austin High School
Minnesota State University - Mankato

SUNNY MEHTA-MORGADO

Pacelli High School
University of St. Thomas

MELANIE VINIEGRA

Harding High School
University of Northwestern - St. Paul

George Floyd Memorial Rotary SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2020
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 1

MINNEAPOLIS UNIVERSITY ROTARY CLUB
MINNESOTA, U.S.A.

Minneapolis University Rotary Club is one of eight Minneapolis-area Rotary clubs sponsoring the George Floyd Memorial Rotary Scholarship. We are members of Rotary International, a global organization whose members share a passion for social justice and service. In the Twin Cities, issues of social justice include historic inequities in education and income faced by our communities of color.

In the aftermath of the George Floyd murder in Minneapolis and the unrest that followed, our clubs came together to partner with Wallin and sponsor an African American student at the University of Minnesota. We hope to establish an on-going relationship with our student-scholar and make a positive, lasting difference in her life. And we want to honor the memory of George Floyd and other Black Americans who have suffered racial injustice through our nation's history.

GABRIELLE BELL

Highland Park Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Great Northern SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2020
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 1

"Education is not the filling of a pail, but the lighting of a fire."
— William Butler Yeats

The Great Northern Scholar is sponsored by Abby Brogden, JoAnn Johnson, Marci Mylan, and Michael Wilson. The sponsors believe that education is a cornerstone for a life of purpose and meaning. Through education we can change the world. We feel very privileged to assist a talented young person achieve their dream of education and further our hope for a better world.

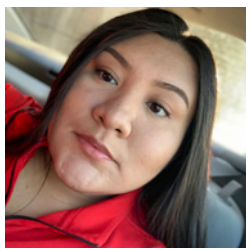
MARYAN MOHAMED

Harding High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Halverson SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2018
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 4

We both came from families who valued education and we spent our careers in educational fields—Bruce as an elementary school teacher and Helen as a reference librarian in public libraries. We were fortunate that when we finished high school, a college education was financially feasible for many graduates. Unfortunately, the current high costs associated with educational programs beyond high school act as a barrier for many students so that they may not further their formal education or they graduate with a lot of debt. Our goal is to help a motivated student achieve their dream of an advanced education that will open their life to many exciting opportunities.



KATHY CALLE DOMINGUEZ

Hiawatha Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

NAWAL MAHAMED

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

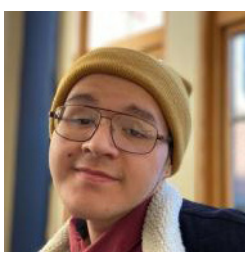
Henry SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2014
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 3

John and Kelly Henry were both born and raised in Minneapolis and are graduates of the Minneapolis Public Schools. Giving back to the community of Minneapolis and in particular the individual students of the Minneapolis Public School system has been a philanthropic priority for the Henrys. Their main goal with the Henry Scholar is to help Minneapolis high school graduates find success in college and beyond.

The Henrys found Wallin Education Partners while looking for a program that assists with helping first generation college students graduate from college and they strongly believe that Wallin's college completion program achieves this. Partnering with the Wallin Education Partners program has enabled the Henrys to make an impact with some of the young people they desire to reach.

John and Kelly live in Uptown Minneapolis with their three young kids. They all look forward to getting to know their scholar through the coming years.



ANDREW GROSS

Edison High School
Augsburg University

Holman SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2004
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 158

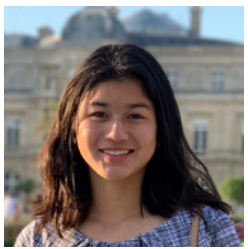
Tom and Kim Holman are the founders and Directors of the Morning Foundation, a private foundation established in 1996 to focus on children's education, health, and social services. Previously, Tom was an executive with Dell Computer Corporation and Kim was a senior manager with the Texas Department of Health. Tom and Kim have been active with a number of non-profit organizations and enjoy spending time with their four daughters. Tom and Kim support scholars through Wallin Education Partners because they believe that education is not only important for individuals, it is also important for our society as a whole. Their hopes are that their scholars will find success in school and in life through determination, hard work, and support from others, and that their scholars will pay it forward by helping others throughout their own lives.

JACK GOODRICH

Open World Learning Community
University of Minnesota-Morris

NAW FREELAR HTOO

Humboldt High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



KEE LAH SOE

Washington Technology Magnet School
Hamline University

NOUCHI XIONG

Harding High School
St. Catherine University

CHUTIMA XIONG

Open World Learning Community
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

YASIRA YUSUF

Washburn High School
University of Minnesota - Rochester

Leslie Martini SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2016
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 2

This scholarship is named in honor of my dear friend, Leslie Martini. A graduate of the University of Florida and a recipient of an MA in English Literature from Salem State University, Leslie is an accomplished author. She has written two children's books, "Matilda, The Algonquin Cat", and "Hamlet, The Algonquin Cat". She has also authored numerous non-fiction articles for newspapers, magazines, and websites. She is passionately devoted to the world of music and is a natural entrepreneur. Leslie's talents are extensive and go beyond writing. She enriches children's lives through her passion for teaching the beauty and gift of writing. This is exemplified through her work at 826 Boston, which is nothing short of inspiring! She is also one of the kindest and most giving people I know. This scholarship honors all that Leslie has given us and is intended to be an inspiration to all who seek to explore the power of the written word.

- William 'Ted' Truscott

WILMA MCCRITTY

Cooper High School
Howard University

Marie Rothschild SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2020
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 2

David Rothschild is a managing board member of the Rothschild foundations, which are dedicated to supporting causes that make the world a better place. The family has long had a deep commitment to addressing the root causes of all forms of inequality, and focuses on organizations that support educational opportunities, community well-being, and the arts. David also serves on the board of directors and executive committee for Central Scholarship and the board of trustees of McDonogh School. He is a member of the Do Good Council and a mentor for the Do Good Accelerator and Do Good Institute at the University of Maryland.

David's grandmother, Marie Rothschild, was the first woman to chair the Red Cross blood drive and led racial integration of the blood donor collection program. She was instrumental in the integration of the Grand Jurors Association, the first woman to serve on the board of Sinai Hospital, and supported European refugee children from Nazi Europe, opening her home to several of them.

LAY CHRI HTOO

Humboldt High School
St. Olaf College

CRISTIAN TOLEDO-GARCIA

Washburn High School
University of Wisconsin-Stout

Maybloom - Suzukamo SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2016
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 10

The Maybloom - Suzukamo Scholarship was established to honor Iris Maybloom, a gifted and inspirational American History teacher and counselor in Los Angeles. She helped generations of students prepare for college, particularly students of color who had no clear roadmap of how to get there.

Her students learned not just to memorize dates, names and places but to see the real people of history, both the famous and the ordinary. Her teaching method was one part standup comedy, one part Socratic inquiry and one part Spanish Inquisition, as we were prodded, cajoled and terrorized into coughing up an original thought.

Iris introduced us to “The Scarlet Letter,” “The Grapes of Wrath,” and “The Great Gatsby.” For some of us, it was the first real literature we’d ever read.

Her tools were the handwritten college essay exam and typed, footnoted research papers that required bus rides to university libraries. By the end of the semester, we learned how good writing and critical thinking were inextricably tied.

But most importantly, Iris Maybloom taught her students to dream bigger. She told us not to stare at the daunting cost of college but to focus on the vistas beyond. College wasn’t a destination in and of itself but a jumping off point.

In that spirit, we award these scholarships to a new generation of students of color. We hope these awards help them find their own vistas and enjoy the view before they make the next leap in their lives.

AYOMIDE ADESANYA

Harding High School
Bethel University

SAMANTHA DODOO

Central High School
St. Olaf College

McDonagh - Sullivan SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2019
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 2

Our Wallin scholarship is named after our parents, Bernard and Katherine McDonagh (Irish immigrants) and John and Mary Sullivan (first generation Irish-Americans). Only one of our parents was able to complete high school due to economic conditions during the Great Depression.

This did not stop them; however, from realizing the importance of a college education for success in America. In spite of severe financial limitations, they saw all of their children graduate from college (debt free) and go on to success in a wide variety of professions. It is in thanks to them for their foresight and sacrifice in endowing us with the means to succeed that we have named our scholar program in their honor.

JUAN VALDIVIA CORTES

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
Bethel University

Medtronic SCHOLARS

Medtronic FOUNDATION

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2008
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 174

The Medtronic Foundation focuses on expanding access to quality chronic disease care among underserved populations worldwide, as well as supports health initiatives in communities where Medtronic employees live and give.

We are proud to support the Wallin Education Partners, founded by former Medtronic CEO Win Wallin. For years, this program has helped spark future generations of leaders, healthcare professionals and science innovators that will make the world a healthier place to live. We see support for work like this as one of the ways the Medtronic Foundation strives to improve the lives of communities around the world.

AISHA ABDULAHI

Southwest High School
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ESTHER ADEJUMO

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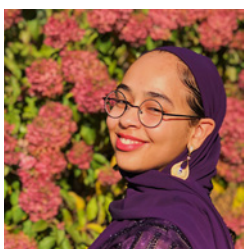
College of Saint Benedict



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JAZMINE CASTILLO

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St. Olaf College

JESSICA CHIMBORAZO

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Concordia University - Saint Paul

ANISA JEYLANI

Blaine High School
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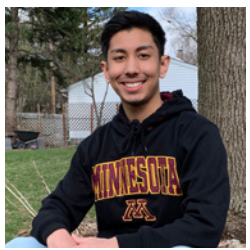

PRANAV KARMACHARYA

Roseville Area High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

NKAU-KANU PHA

Park Center High School
Minnesota State University - Mankato

Minnesota Opportunity SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2012
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 60

The Minnesota Opportunity Scholarship was established by Sara and Bob Lumpkins in 2012. The Lumpkins believe strongly in the value of higher education and are long-time admirers of the Wallin family for creating the program. They especially value Wallin Education Partners' sustained advisory support to help ensure a successful university experience for their scholars.

KATELYN DAGGETT

Andover High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

ETHAN BOCKENHAUER

Irondale High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

PRATIBHA KHATIWODA

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

BENJAMIN MEYERS

Como Park Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

CHRIS QUINTUNA

Hiawatha Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

NorthStar Education Finance SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2014
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 439

NorthStar Education Finance, Inc. (NEF) is dedicated to helping students obtain an affordable education and it continues to support its other charitable purpose, which includes: foster aid, encourage and assist first generation and students in pursuing a higher education. Supporting its mission, the company provides students - who have existing loans which were issued under its Total Higher Education Loan Program (THE Loan Program) - the lowest possible financing cost on their loans. In particular, NEF returns 90% of its excess revenues to the student borrowers - in the form of the THE Repayment Bonus Program.

From 1996 to 2010 (NEF) was the 12 largest lender of education loans for a postsecondary education, in the United States. Over that time frame, NEF made over $7.5 billion in education loans. During its tenure as an active lender of education loans – NEF paid on behalf of student borrowers - the US Department of Education Origination fee totaling over $125 million. To date, NEF has returned to its student borrowers over $110 million in its excess profits – allowing its borrowers to pay-down their education loan balances in a faster manner. NEF reserves its other 10% of excess reserves for philanthropic purposes.

NEF's ongoing philanthropic goals are to:

- Help students pay down their existing balances by using 90% of its excess reserves to pay down their outstanding balances
- Continue to provide financial literacy education and assistance to these student loan borrowers to enable them to successfully repay their loans – and lead more productive lives
- Manage its financings as necessary to maximize the THE Repayment Bonus paid to borrowers
- Provide scholarship grants to other organizations in furtherance of NEF's educational mission

In support of its mission, NEF joined with Wallin Education Partners in 2014 to sponsor scholarships. In addition, NEF provides the Grad Ready financial literacy program to all current and incoming Wallin / NorthStar scholars. Wallin Education Partners selects NorthStar Scholars based on their potential to be successful in college and in their future careers. Factors also considered are the scholar's motivation, contributions to the community, and their willingness to take rigorous classes in preparation for a successful college experience.

FARDUS AHMED

Blaine High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

BADRIYA ISSA QASSIN

Anoka HIgh School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

SAMIA ABDALLA

Anoka HIgh School
St. Catherine University

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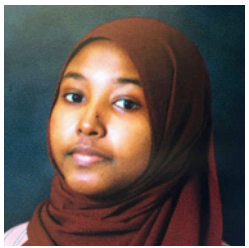
Howard University



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Hamline University

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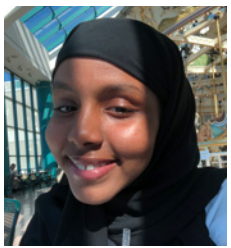
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



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University of St. Thomas

ZAINAB AL OBAIDI

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University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

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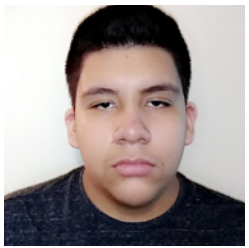

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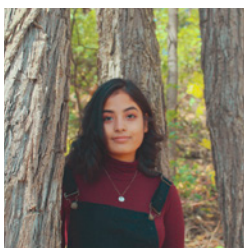

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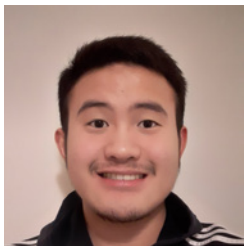

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Hamline University

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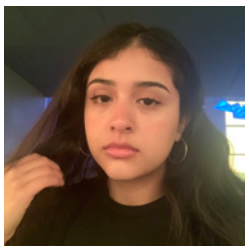

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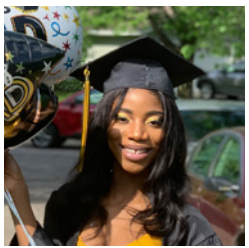

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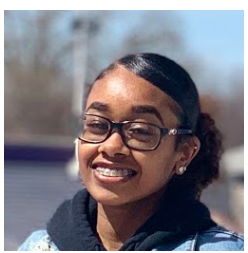

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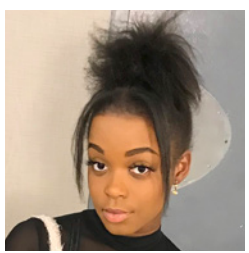

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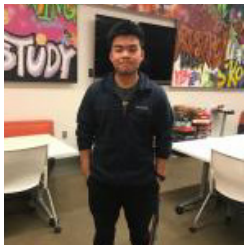

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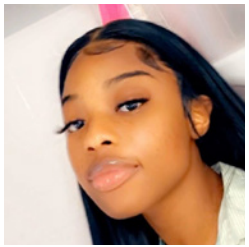

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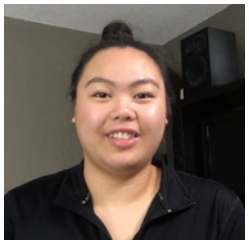

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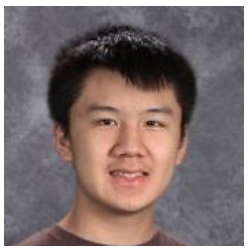

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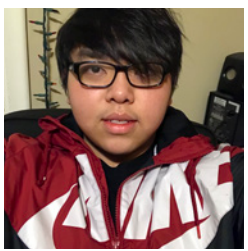

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University of St. Thomas

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University of Minnesota - Duluth

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Hamline University

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University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

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Augsburg College

SHAMSO MUSE

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St. Catherine University

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Saint Mary's University of Minnesota

FARIDA OSMAN

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

PHUONG NGUYEN

Highland Park High School
Augsburg University

HTOO PAW

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Bethel University

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Park Center High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

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Roseville Area High School
Metropolitan State University

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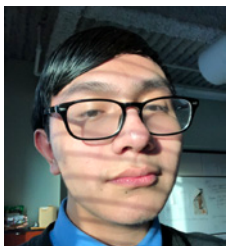

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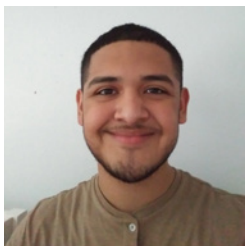

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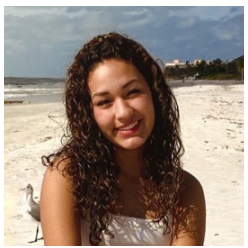

MICAELA SANCHEZ-CERECEDA

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St. Catherine University

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CINDY TAM

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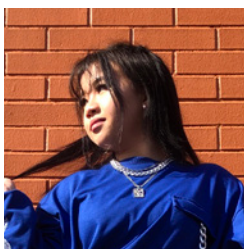

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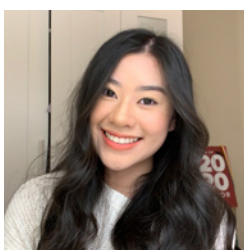
Saint Cloud State University



MICHELLE THAO

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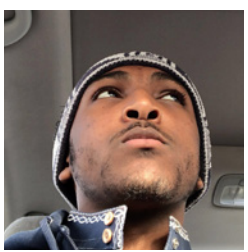

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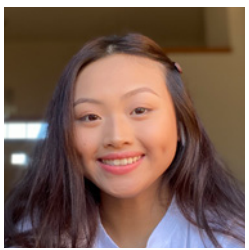

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SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 7

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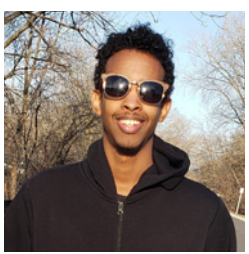
Piper Sandler is among a group of donors who have joined with Wallin Education Partners to sponsor scholarships and support students through their college years. Piper Sandler Scholars are selected because of their potential to be successful in college and in their chosen career. Their motivation, contributions to the community, and willingness to take rigorous classes will prepare scholars for a successful college experience.



AYUB HASSAN

Hopkins High School
University of St. Thomas

Robert & Ardis James Foundation SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2017
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 16

The Robert and Ardis James Foundation is a private foundation established in 1986 by Robert and Ardis James to focus on a broad range of charitable causes primarily in education and the arts. Both Bob and Ardis recognize that they were extremely fortunate in their lives together, and that they have a responsibility to share their good fortune with others. The trustees of the James Foundation are delighted to support scholars though Wallin Education Partners, and believe that providing young people with educational access will allow them to realize their potential as students and as adults.

SAMI BANAT

Roseville Area High School
Macalester College

EADEN MEZEMURE

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

JENNIFER NGUYEN

Cooper High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

HELENA TOWNE

Southwest High School
St. Olaf College

Ruth and Raymond Reister SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2018
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 3

The Ruth A. and Raymond A. Reister Charitable Trust was established by Ruth Reister at the time of her death. Both Ruth and Ray were lawyers and held a strong belief in the value of education both for the benefit of the individual and for its importance to a free, democratic society. Ray practiced law with a major law firm in the Twin Cities and devoted a great deal of time and effort to local charitable causes. Ruth entered the legal profession at a time when it was rare for a woman to pursue a legal career. She became a champion for women in the legal profession and supported a number of educational and charitable causes. Although the Reisters did not have a family, they often provided financial support for young people to attend college. The Reister Charitable Trust is continuing the Reister's commitment to providing financial support to enable others to achieve a college education by supporting a scholar through Wallin Education Partners.

SAID MOHAMED

Edison High School
Howard University

Schulze Family Foundation SCHOLARS

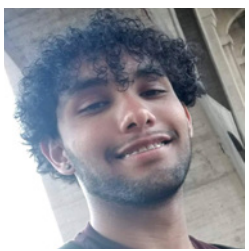
DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2010
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 21

Dick Schulze is the founder and chairman emeritus of Best Buy, Inc., the world's largest consumer electronics retailer. He is also the founder and chairman of the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation (RMSFF). Mr. Schulze believes education is integral to an individual's ability to thrive and build a successful life. It is also integral to a community's health and vitality. RMSFF conducts and funds a number of scholarship programs, ranging from assistance to families seeking high quality early learning experiences for their preschoolers to programs that prepare teachers to restore American education to a place of prominence among its international peers.

Although Mr. Schulze never attended college due to service in the U.S. military during the Vietnam War, he has invested millions of dollars attempting to provide that advantage to the youth of this generation. His belief is that their odds of success, and society's, will be greatly improved as a result.

EDEN FELEKE

DeLaSalle High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



CESAR GONZALEZ

DeLaSalle High School
University of St. Thomas

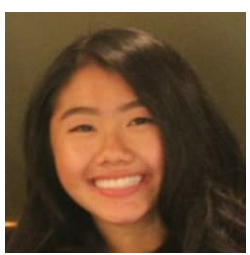
WALLIN
EDUCATION PARTNERS
Kevin Cambi

Sit Investment SCHOLARS

Sit Investment Associates

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2014
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 3

Sit Investment Associates established the Sit Investment Associates Foundation in 1984 to support organizations involved with human services, hunger, education, health care, the arts and culture, international affairs, and our military veterans. Sit Investment Associates, one of the largest minority-owned asset management firms in the United States, was founded in 1981 by Eugene C. Sit. With only four senior management professionals, a small support staff and $1 million in working capital, the firm's assets under management reached $1 billion in just three years – an achievement due to solid returns on investment, strong ethical practices and treasured client relationships. The company now manages assets totaling $13 billion for institutional and individual investors, providing quality investment management expertise in domestic and international growth equities and fixed income. The Sit Investment Associates Foundation is proud to promote the mission of Wallin Education Partners to enable college and career success for high-potential Minnesota students with financial need through facilitating scholarships and providing comprehensive advising support.



LANI VUE

Brooklyn Center High School
Gustavus Adolphus College

Sit Investment Associates
Gyru Thor
is hereby named a
2019 Sit Investment Associates Scholar

Star of the North SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2019
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 9

The Star of the North Scholarship was established to provide an opportunity for trustees of Wallin Education Partners to develop a mentoring relationship with scholars and to recognize significant trustee contributions to the organization's success. The Star of the North Scholarship celebrates the dedication of Wallin Education Partners staff and Alumni Association members whose commitment to excellence and opportunity will be reflected in the lives and contributions of future scholars.

CHRISTINA CASTANEDA

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
Bethel University

MYA GILLISPIE

Andover High School
University of Wisconsin-Stevens Point

LILY HEIDEMAN

Blaine High School
Anoka-Ramsey Community College

CANDY HERNANDEZ

North High School, North St. Paul
College of Saint Scholastica

LINDSEY KHANG

North High School, North St. Paul
University of Wisconsin-Madison

JOSELIN LANDY ALVAREZ

Hiawatha Academy
University of St. Thomas

LINDSAY OKINDO

Hopkins High School
Carleton College

KRISTINA YEBOAH

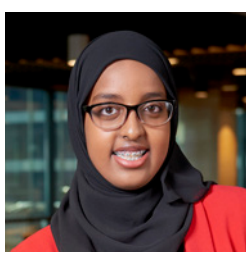
Coon Rapids High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Think IT Young Professional SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2015
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 28

Think IT is a professional development association, offered by York Solutions, for IT professionals with the mission to foster professional growth and development through the power of networking and collaboration. Most groups meet on a monthly basis in an informal, roundtable format with a different member from the group facilitating (not presenting) each session. Among other things, being a member of Think IT not only allows members to connect and collaborate with other IT professionals, but also allows them to be involved in a mentorship program and Link to Leadership, which is a leadership development program that directly benefits Genesys Works, a community partner of Wallin Education Partners.

Think IT Young Professional Scholars were selected from graduates of the Genesys Works program and are currently in college. We are excited to continue this unique partnership with Think IT, Genesys Works, and Wallin Education Partners in supporting scholars in completing their college education.



FAIZA MAH

University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

PA VANG

University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

VERONICA VENEGAS RIOS

Augsburg University

SUE XIONG

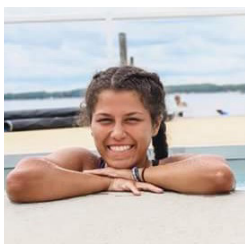
Augsburg University

True North SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2016
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 4

My parents believed strongly in education and their expectation framed my school years, influencing my own commitment to “learning for life.” I was fortunate to have the opportunity to attend kindergarten through graduate school. The True North Scholarship will grant a student an opportunity to higher education and its lifelong benefits. Education will always be with you as a lifelong guide. Education opens doors for economic benefit, generates curiosity, inspires ideas, and develops understanding. Education expands your worldview and your relationship to the world.

You were selected as a True North Scholar because of your intelligence, resilience, determination and dedication to learning and improving yourself and the life of your family. You are breaking new ground and redefining expectations which takes tremendous strength and courage. Helping a deserving student access a college education has always been my dream. Thank you for helping me fulfill my dream. May this scholarship help you find the path to your True North.”



ARIELLE BANISTER

Blaine High School
Minnesota State University - Mankato

U.S. Bank SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2015
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 50

At U.S. Bank, our Corporate Social Responsibility work is built on a foundation of ethics, integrity and trust and highlights our commitment to economic development in the communities we serve. Our commitment to CSR comes to life through Community Possible, our corporate giving and engagement platform that closes the gap between people and possibility in the areas of Work, Home and Play.

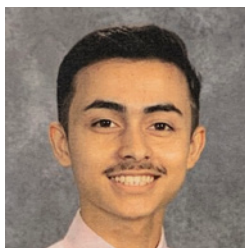
We know that a flourishing small business environment and an educated workforce contribute to strong communities. That's why we invest in and support programs and organizations that help small businesses thrive, provide pathways to higher education, help people succeed in the workforce and gain greater financial literacy.

Our employees effect real change. We commit to one another, our communities, and our company, empowered to do good through time off to volunteer, channels for sharing our innovative ideas, programs that help us chart our careers and meet mentors, and much more.

We are committed to ethics and quality, and we know that developing communities means investing in people and financial futures. We are proud to support Wallin Education Partners and help high achieving, diverse students in the Twin Cities dream big – and strengthen their financial futures.

In our U.S. Bank spirit of actively developing, strengthening and energizing the communities where we live and work, we hope all Wallin EP scholars embrace the vast educational opportunities that are in front of them, reach out to mentors who will guide them in their educational pursuits and, most importantly, use their college experiences to improve the lives of others.

We are proud to work alongside Wallin EP scholars at U.S. Bank and support them in beginning a meaningful career.



SUMAN DAHAL

Roseville Area High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

REYNA DAVILA-DAY

Harding High School
Hamline University

U.S. Bank SCHOLARS

MARIA JAVIER-SORIANO

Hiawatha Academy
Gustavus Adolphus College

LAURA LE

Irondale High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

MICKIES KIROS

Central Senior High School
University of St. Thomas

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Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 1992
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 2745

Founded in 1992, Winston (Win) and Maxine Wallin initially started funding 4 year college scholarships at Minneapolis South High School, Mr. Wallin's alma mater. They expanded the Program to all Minneapolis public high schools in 2000. St. Paul public schools were included in 2006, with Anoka-Hennepin high schools next in 2007. Over the years, other very generous Donor Partners have joined the Education Partners to offer their own named scholarships. The Program has grown significantly in recent years, with the Wallin Education Partners (WEP) now helping deserving students in over 50 high schools.

The intention of the Program is to educate young people in our community who are hard-working and ambitious and in search of better futures. The extremely high graduation rates in this Program (above 90%) is what sets WEP apart. To date, literally thousands of our students have gone on to lead successful lives after achieving their college degrees.

Both Win and Maxine benefitted from college scholarships themselves. Win grew up in South Minneapolis and went onto a successful business career at both Pillsbury and

Medtronic. Maxine is from Duluth, and was able to attend both Macalester and the University of Minnesota (eventually becoming a Librarian). They both believe strongly in the power of education to change lives for the better. They are both honored to be in the enviable position (and Mr. Wallin would say lucky enough) to be able to give back to the community and offer these scholarships and related student support services.

Although Mr. Wallin passed away in December 2010, the legacy he and his wife established long ago continues. Maxine Wallin and her family are pleased to offer you the opportunity to become a new member of this scholarship program family. Wallin Scholars have gone forth to excel in their undergraduate and graduate studies and to become strong contributing members (and leaders) in our society. We look forward to celebrating your accomplishments with you as you begin your college experience. We have “Great Expectations” for you on this journey. Congratulations on your award.

Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

LEYLA ABDIWAHAB

Ubah Medical Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

AMERA ABOU-SHANAB

Como Park Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

ADEOLA ADELEKE

Champlin Park High School
University of Northwestern - St Paul

MALIA AHELEGBE

Champlin Park High School
Bethune-Cookman University

HIBO AHMED

Ubah Medical Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

ELIZABETH ARSENEAU

Mounds View High School
Saint Cloud State University

RUBEN AUGUSTIN

Richfield High School
Hamline University

EVALINA BACH

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
Saint Cloud State University

ABRIL BENITEZ

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
St. Catherine University

ANNE BEYER

Blaine High School
Iowa State University

NICOLE BISSET

Coon Rapids High School
University of St. Thomas

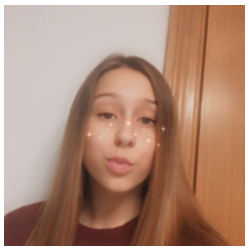
TAYNA BOETTCHER

Washburn High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

KAO CHANG

Patrick Henry High School
University of Minnesota - Rochester

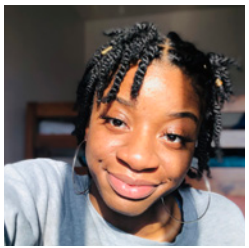


CLAIRE EGESDAL

Champlin Park High School
St. Olaf College

FATIMA GARZA-RAMON

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

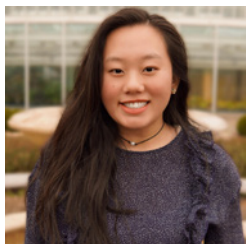


LILLY GOYAH

Anoka High School
Augsburg University

JOSIE HANNEKEN

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Rochester



KANYANEE HER

Johnson High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

AVA HOWARD

North High School, North St. Paul
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

ANNA KEEFE

Washburn High School
Augsburg College

LOUDEN JOHNSON-RUSCO

Anoka High School
Bethel University

PANG NHIA KHANG

Park Center High School
Augsburg College

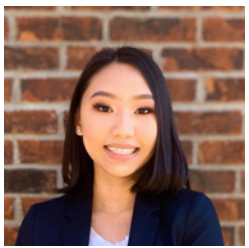
Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

ANH LIEN

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

RUOXIN LIU

Burnsville High School
University of Wisconsin-Madison



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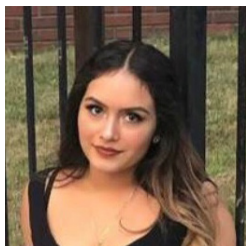
Community of Peace Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

GABRIELA MALDONADO LOPEZ

Hiawatha Academy
Macalester College

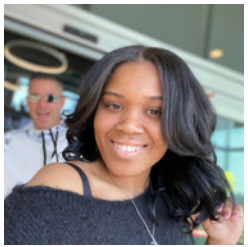
BRENDEN MANY

Park Center High School
University of Wisconsin-Madison



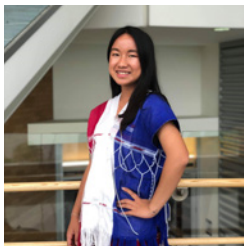
JEDET MARTINEZ

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
Augsburg University



BRIANA MASTIN

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
St. Catherine University



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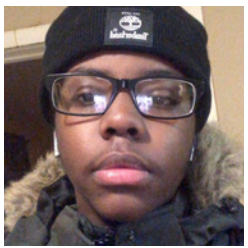
Como Park Senior High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



ABDIRAHMAN MOHAMED

Ubah Medical Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

MUSHTAKH MOHAMMED

St. Louis Park High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

PACHIA MOUA

North High School, North St. Paul
University of Minnesota - Rochester

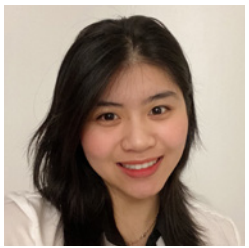
CHAU NGUYEN

Park Center High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

DAT NGUYEN

Burnsville High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities



Y NGUYEN

Champlin Park High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

MAYA NIBBE

Anoka High School
College of Saint Scholastica

IKRAN NOOR

Ubah Medical Academy
Macalester College

JOSE OLIVERA VELASCO

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
University of St. Thomas

SOE OO

North High School, North St. Paul
Drake University

ABIGAIL OWEN

Washburn High School
Minneapolis College of Art and Design

EMELY QUINTERO

South High School
Hamline University

NATHAN RODE

Blaine High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Wallin Foundation SCHOLARS

VASHTI SANICHARA

Richfield High School
Hamline University

AMAAL SHIRE

Ubah Medical Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

MADELEINE SUAREZ

Roosevelt High School
University of Minnesota - Duluth

LOU VANG

Cooper High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

PANG VANG

Community of Peace Academy
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

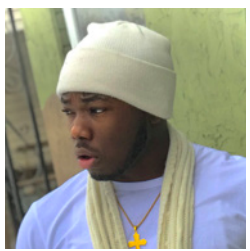
VERONICA YOUSRY

Edina High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

Well-being of All Foundation SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2018
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 3

Kathleen Blatz and Greg Page are honored to be donor partners with Wallin Education Partners. Greg and Kathleen have supported students and education in the Twin Cities and beyond for over 30 years. Kathleen and Greg are committed to giving back to this community and creating a strong work force within it. They hope to provide valuable educational opportunities to as many young people as possible. Kathleen and Greg want to see students from all socioeconomic backgrounds be successful in their lives and find sustainable and fulfilling careers. They have confidence that Wallin Education Partners will help to make this happen for the students to whom they provide scholarships and mentorship.



DESTINY AZONWU

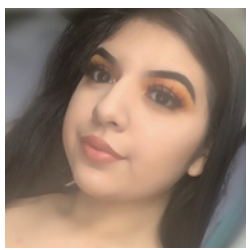
Harding High School
University of Minnesota - Twin Cities

WALLIN
EDUCATION PARTNERS
Madison Sieben
is hereby named a
2019 LRE Foundation Scholar
In recognition of scholarship, character and commitment to community service.

Wilhoit SCHOLAR

DONOR PARTNER SINCE 2017
SCHOLARS SUPPORTED: 4

Peter Wilhoit lived and worked in St. Paul. He had two children. In addition to being fully involved with his children's lives he was also involved in a number of philanthropic activities. He was associated with Cristo Rey Jesuit High School as a member of its Board of Directors for the eight years immediately preceding his death in December 2017. He chose to support a scholar through Wallin Education Partners because he was invested in seeing students thrive and succeed in life. He hoped to see that continue into college and welcomed the opportunity to support his scholars in whatever ways they needed to learn, grow and get the most out of their college experiences. He further hoped his plan would continue through the gifts he made as a part of his estate plan.



JIMENA PENA ALFARO

Cristo Rey Jesuit High School
St. Catherine University

Thank You