



For Immediate Release

### **Incorage Community Foundation Awards 2025 Scholarships**

*(Wisconsin Rapids, WI, June 18, 2025)* Thanks to the generosity of its donors, in 2025 Incourage Community Foundation awarded 200 scholarships totaling \$234,750 to students pursuing or continuing higher education.

"We are so thankful for our donors, their belief in the tremendous value of education and the investment they're making in the students, their futures and our community," said Kim Shields, Incourage Donors Services Manager. "Without their support and generosity, these scholarships would not be possible."

Since its inception in 1994, Incourage has awarded more than 4,600 scholarships totaling more than \$3.65 million dollars. Today, it administers more than 100 scholarship funds.

### **2025 Scholarships and Recipients**

#### **3-O Day Scholarship**

Shelby Nelson, John Edwards High School

#### **John Akey Memorial Scholarship**

Elizabeth Herdt, Merrill High School

#### **Helen L. Arndt Scholarship**

Sophie Feidt, Landyn Freeman, Jayda Gross, Sophie Hasenohrl, Allison Jahns, Maggie Kozlowski, Peyton LaComb, Hailey Lowe, Delaine Morrison, Yom Patel, Lincoln High School

#### **Elda Bark Memorial Scholarship**

Corynn Belke, Hannah Cook, Lukas Egerer, Riley Hartjes, Noah Henriksen, Christian Keith, Ntsaaab Khang, Peyton LaComb, Alana Lee, Hailey Lowe, Olivia Oleson, Ella Panter, Yom Patel, Aidan Paulsen, Kristin Radtke, Jonah Rasmussen, Audrey Ringer, Annabelle Ross, Kendra Schleisner, Azailia Skoglund, Maximus St. Myers, Austin Tisland, Kailar Tritz, Lincoln High School

#### **Brent J. Atkinson Memorial Scholarship**

Dylan Buehring, Nekoosa High School

#### **Tammy Batten Memorial Scholarship**

Hannah Cook, Lincoln High School

#### **Bell Family Scholarship**

Eliana Gildenzoph, Assumption High School

#### **Lewie Benitz Memorial Scholarship**

Kendra Schleisner, Lincoln High School

#### **Elinor G. Benkowski Memorial Scholarship**

Sage Wilson, Lincoln High School



**Kathleen E. Berg Memorial Scholarship**

Maria Janowiak, Homeschool

**Mr. and Mrs. Carl J. Billmeyer Memorial Scholarship**

Macy Vollert, Assumption High School

**Renee J. Bombaci Memorial Scholarship**

Joshua Bush, Lincoln High School

**Colleen and Bridget Bord Memorial Scholarship**

Macey Back, Lincoln High School

**John Marshall Buehler Scholarship**

Natalee Barstow, John Edwards High School

**CDA STEM Scholarship**

Samantha Sipla, Academy of Excellence

**Children's Choice Elementary School Scholarship**

Allison Anderson, Lincoln High School

**Fred Dahm Memorial Scholarship**

Lola Feit, Lincoln High School

**Michael and Susan Daly "Badger #7" Scholarship**

Lukas Egerer, Lincoln High School

**Merlin David Memorial Sports Scholarship**

Braeden Lochner, Nekoosa High School

**Chuck Davies Scholarship**

Olivia Allworden, John Edwards High School

**Kathleen Davis Scholarship in memory of her parents, Gordon & Olga Krubsack**

Zander Dahl, Nekoosa High School

**Dempze Family Scholarship in memory of Gordon and Iris Dempze**

Hallie Anderson, Nekoosa High School; Matthew Gudel, Pittsville High School

**Elisa Derickson Fund for Writing Scholarship**

Hallie Anderson, Nekoosa High School

**David R. Dolan Memorial Scholarship**

Sierra Dillingham, Lincoln High School

**Double Diamond Leadership Scholarship**

Maximus St. Myers, Lincoln High School



**Betty and Bernell Dye Pittsville Memorial Scholarship**

Myles Gray, Pittsville High School

**Betty and Bernell Dye Tri-City Memorial Scholarship**

Jaylin Morman, Lincoln High School

**Elks Ladies of Wisconsin Rapids Lodge #693 Scholarship**

Jerlin Ferreira, Assumption High School; Gwyneth Kumm, Pittsville High School

**Fehrman Family Scholarship**

Allison Anderson, Kennedy Condie, Lincoln High School

**Georgia Fenner Memorial Scholarship**

Joshua Glenzer-Czenczek, Lincoln High School

**Marion Fey Nursing Scholarship**

Mina Rodriguez, Lincoln High School

**Jim Fieber Memorial Math Scholarship**

Alexa Cour, Lincoln High School

**Dr. Robert "Buck" Gill Scholarship**

Jenna Wentland, Lincoln High School

**William M. Gleue Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

Kailar Tritz, Lincoln High School

**Sherry Gurtler Memorial Nursing Scholarship**

Mina Rodriguez, Lincoln High School

**Leonard and LaRayne Guth Family Scholarship**

Abbey Gust, Allison Jahns, Austin Tisland, Lincoln High School; Sarah Shaw, Assumption High School

**Earl and Vivian Haefs Assumption Medical Field & Trades Field Scholarship**

Owen Daliege, Haley Hintz, Claire Nelson, Anna Schooley, Addison Vollert, Assumption High School

**Aloysius "Al" Hauck Engineering Scholarship**

Taylor Weiler, UW-Madison

**Amy O. Hemming Scholarship**

Samuel Bowden, UW-Stevens Point; Alexandria Marcoux, Cornell College; Rose Paul, UW-Milwaukee; Anna Price, UW-Madison

**George and Marlene Holland Family Baseball Scholarship**

Sawyer Ostrum, Nekoosa High School

**Marlene and George Holland Family Sports Scholarship**

Brooklynn Hoffman, Nekoosa High School

**Leo Huber Scholarship**

Hallie Anderson, Dylan Bruhn, Grey Gerzmehle, Brooklynn Hoffman, Nashua Krcmar, Braeden Lochner, Delilah Mock, Haidyn Retzke, Amiya Leverance, Nekoosa High School

**Roy and Lore Ingram**

Riley Look, Lincoln High School

**Frank and Illa Ironside Scholarship**

Brendan Pond, Kendra Schleisner, Lincoln High School

**Richard "Dick" Kane Memorial Scholarship**

Jonah Rasmussen, Lincoln High School

**Officer Bill Kautzer Memorial Scholarship**

Sawyer Ostrum, Nekoosa High School

**Mary Elizabeth Kellogg Memorial Scholarship**

Sarah Stromley, Carroll University

**David A. Kempfert Memorial Scholarship**

Emma Thomas, Lincoln High School

**Kinsey Family Scholarship in memory of Karen Kinsey**

Aidan Paulsen, Lincoln High School

**Kiss-Hartman Scholarship**

Nolita Carroll, Lincoln High School

**Emily Klopotek Memorial Scholarship**

Ella Panter, Lincoln High School

**Carl C. and Anna Knudsen Scholarship**

Joshua Bush, Alexa Cour, Sophie Feidt, Lola Feit, Jayda Gross, Abbey Gust, Delainey Morrison, Annabelle Ross, Austin Tisland, Olivia Zimmerman, Lincoln High School

**Donald J. Krohn Family Scholarship**

Gabbie Scheide, School of the Art Institute of Chicago

**Friends for Lacey Laskowski Scholarship**

Jadlyn Moravec, Nekoosa High School

**Lincoln High School Achievement Award**

Jordyn Coder, Hayley Jensen, Ava Lang, Gabrielle Neilitz, Chloe Vine, Lincoln High School

**Lincoln High School Alumni Scholarship**

Charles Kissinger, Lincoln High School

**Marcouex Family Memorial Scholarship**

Shelby Nelson, John Edwards High School



**Kevin Edward Marth Memorial Scholarship**

Peyton LaComb, Lincoln High School

**Mel Massa and Sallie Wylie Memorial Scholarship**

Maggie Kozlowski, Lincoln High School

**Lee and Pat McCarville Memorial Scholarship**

Macy Vollert, Assumption High School

**Helen Mead Veterinary Scholarship**

Riley DeFilippis, Lincoln High School

**Mid-Towne Dental Community Education Scholarship**

Sophie Hasenohrl, Lincoln High School; Addison Vollert, Assumption High School

**Ruth & Ray Moody Family Scholarship**

Owen Daliege, Assumption High School

**Dave Murgatroyd Memorial Scholarship**

Sawyer Wilkens, Lincoln High School

**Andrew Neitzel "Freak Flag" Scholarship**

Taylor Engelbright, Lincoln High School

**Gladys R. Nelson Memorial Scholarship**

Brendon Pond, Lincoln High School

**Thomas Newman and Susan Holly-Newman Memorial Scholarship**

Kendra Schleisner, Lincoln High School

**Ned C. Norton Memorial Scholarship**

Landon Reynolds, Lincoln High School

**Duane and Valerie Nygaard Scholarship**

Trina Bores, UW-River Falls; Kloey Daliege, UW-Stevens Point; Nashua Krcmar, Amiya Leverance, Nekoosa High School

**T. P. Olson Engineering Scholarship**

Braden Lewis, Carroll University

**Steven H. Peterson Family Memorial Scholarship**

Kailar Tritz, Lincoln High School

**Pittsville High School Alumni Scholarship**

Sylvia Durrant, Pittsville High School

**Thomas F. and Nancy Z. Plunkett Scholarship, established in honor of Frances Nairn, former Guidance Director at Lincoln High School**

Isabelle Rasmussen, Xavier University



**Powering Futures Electric Lineworker Scholarship**

Aiden Humphreys, Wrightstown High School; Kade Kinney, Sauk Prairie High School

**Amber Rahn Memorial Scholarship**

Kristin Radtke, Lincoln High School

**RC Scholarship**

Eden Francis, Angel Holmes, Sarah Iverson, Christian Keith, Kiara Kiwak, Gabriel Larson, Colten McMillen, Sean Roenius, Tyson Stempa, Hayden Wyman, Maya Zeman, Lincoln High School

**Dick and Betty Reetz Scholarship**

Lukas Egerer, Lorraine Kissinger, Lincoln High School

**Reyes/Ance Scholarship**

Bryson Drollinger, Assumption High School; Azailia Skoglund, Lincoln High School

**Louie and Libby Rosandick Community Leadership Scholarship**

Natalee Barstow, John Edwards High School

**Rudolph's Little Dears Child Care Center Scholarship**

Maleah Stojak, Nekoosa High School

**Robert and Kathleen Scamfer Scholarship**

Katherine Kniprath, Nekoosa High School

**Bernard and Marlyce Schmick Scholarship**

Anna Schooley, Assumption High School

**Elaine Semrow Health Education Scholarship**

Hailey Lowe, Lincoln High School

**Robert Shaw, Jr. Memorial Scholarship**

Sawyer Wilkens, Lincoln High School

**Snyder 4-H Scholarship in honor of Ed and Shirley Vruwink**

Mallory Cepress, Marshfield High School; Keyrra Knudson, Pittsville High School

**Soper Family Scholarship**

Reese Grimm, Pittsville High School

**Ray Speltz Memorial Music Scholarship**

Ashlyn Wilcox, Nekoosa High School

**John and Judy Steele Minority Scholarship**

Ntsaaab Khang, Lincoln High School

**Dr. John and Germaine Thompson Good Citizenship Award**

Grey Gerzmehle, Leah Thomas, Nekoosa High School



**Jesse D. Tillery and Matthew T. Grimm Memorial Scholarship**

Simon Wolfe, Lincoln High School

**Mitchell G. Tomfohrde Memorial Scholarship**

Charles Kissinger, Lincoln High School

**Ernie Vogler Memorial Scholarship**

Audrey Ringer, Lincoln High School

**Edward W. and Shirley J. Vruwink Scholarship**

Ashlyn Wilcox, Nekoosa High School

**Pamela and Ryan Walker Agricultural Scholarship**

Lucas Prange, UW-Madison

**Ryan Weidman Memorial Scholarship**

Alexis Heinrich, Lincoln High School

**Luke Weiland Memorial Scholarship**

Joshua Glenzer-Czenczek, Lincoln High School

**James H. Wenzlaff Scholarship**

Allison Anderson, Kennedy Condie, Lincoln High School

**Brian Wilhelm Memorial Scholarship**

Jonah Rasmussen, Lincoln High School

**Herbert Williams Future Educator Scholarship**

Jack Schraeder, John Edwards High School

**Wisconsin Rapids Optimist Club Scholarship**

Natalee Barstow, John Edwards High School; Grey Gerzmehle, Nekoosa High School; Ava Lang, Lincoln High School; Sarah Shaw, Assumption High School

**Wisconsin Rapids Sunrise Rotary Scholarship and Mentoring Award**

Zander Dahl, Nekoosa High School

**Art Wittenberg Scholarship**

Abigail Anderson, Northcentral Technical College

**Russ Wolff Memorial Scholarship**

Hannah Cook, Lincoln High School

**Earl and Ellen Young Memorial Endowment Scholarship**

Brooke Grossman, Pittsville High School; Oracio Hernandez, John Edwards High School; Ella Lerch, Catherine Steinle, Assumption High School; Ellery Shaw, Natalee Sparhawk, Jordan Szelagowski, Annaiesa Thor, Lincoln High School

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**About Incourage:**

Established in rural Wisconsin in 1994 to serve the changing needs of the south Wood County area, Incourage has become a nationally recognized leader in place-based philanthropy and community development. Guided by values of equity, opportunity, and shared stewardship, Incourage envisions a community that works well for all people. To learn more, visit [incouragecf.org](http://incouragecf.org).