
2022 VMCCA Foundation Scholarships

Each year the VMCCA Foundation awards scholarships to deserving young people. Candidates for the scholarships are submitted by members for their children or others. For more information and application, go to vmccafoundation.com.



Jacob McCoy

My name is Jacob McCoy, and I am the oldest of four sons and have two wonderful parents. My grandmother is Clare Oestreicher, from Cincinnati, OH, who has been involved in the VMCCA for at least 45 years! I recently graduated from Elder High School, which is an all-boys Catholic high school in Cincinnati Ohio. I took several AP and dual-credit classes and graduated with a weighted GPA of 113. I also threw discus and shot put on their Track & Field team. I will be attending the University of Cincinnati in the fall where I was accepted to the Carl H. Lindner College of Business. I love sports of all kinds and probably know more sports details/trivia/fun facts that most people would believe. I enjoy talking about sports with anyone and testing my brothers to see what they know! This summer, I am working full time as a camp counselor at a local Rec Center Day Camp. I work primarily with a group of 12 children ages 9-11. I also work as a Ball Boy for the Cincinnati Reds, averaging two games during each of their home stances. I really enjoy this, as I get a front row seat to the action of the games



McKenna Watts

My name is McKenna Watts, and I am so honored to be a recipient of this scholarship. It will greatly help with my college costs. I will be attending Harding University in Searcy, Arkansas as a vocal performance/music major. I've grown up hearing all about the old car hobby and the amazing tours that my grandparents Don & Cindy Knight, from Texoma region, attend. Thank you again to the VMCCA.



Emily Berryhill

I would like to thank the VMCCA for this scholarship. This scholarship will greatly help me to continue my studies at Texas Christian University where I will pursue a degree in Nursing. I am very grateful for my grandmother Marion Berryhill as well as my great uncle BD Berryhill who are members of the VMCCA from Odessa, TX. I am also very grateful for my grandfather Sheril Berryhill who was a loyal member to the VMCCA.



Elizabeth Bennett

My name is Elizabeth Bennett, and I am the great-granddaughter of Sally and Don VanAtta, who are VMCCA members from Mears, MI. I would like to express an immense amount of gratitude to all who had a role in granting me this scholarship. Sincerely thank you to every one of you. This year, I will be a sophomore at Saginaw Valley State University entering their nursing program. The money awarded to me will go towards those educational expenses, as well as the textbooks and supplies that I will need for the program. At my university, I am an active member of my campus community. I am a member of the Student Nurse's Association and the Female Empowerment Club, and I also work as a tour guide. This scholarship will help immensely in furthering my education and goals toward a career in healthcare, and I thank you again for this wonderful opportunity and to my wonderful great-grandparents for making me aware of it



Annika Marlow

My name is Annika Marlow. I just graduated from Rushville Consolidated High School in Indiana. In the fall I will be attending Indiana University Bloomington to major in Biology (BS). After completing my undergraduate at IU, I plan to attend medical school and specialize in anesthesiology. Lastly, I would like to thank my grandparents, Norman and Precilla Winkler of Rushville, IN, who are VMCCA members, and the VMCCA for selecting me from a pool of highly qualified candidates! Your generosity means a lot!



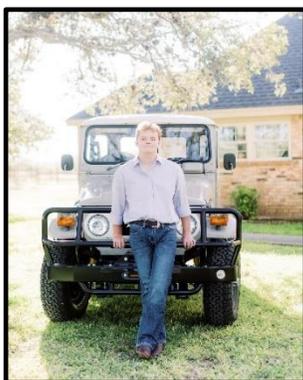
Skye Higdon

Thank you very much to VMCCA for considering me for this scholarship. I attend the University of Oregon and this award will help greatly in continuing my studies. I want to thank my grandfather and grandmother Linda and Dave Higdon of Lake Lotawana, MO, for being members of VMCCA and providing this opportunity.



Christian Hess

My name is Christian Hess and I am from Garrett, Indiana. I will be attending Indiana University-Purdue University Indianapolis (IUPUI) this fall to pursue a double major in Finance and Real Estate. I would love to flip and rent houses for a career while pursuing my own business one day. When I'm not in school, I enjoy hanging out with friends, sports and going to outdoor venues. My grandparents, Thelma and Mike Stitt are members of VMCCA from Leslie, MI. Some of my favorite moments with my grandparents include visiting car shows with them and enjoying our family dinners or lunches. I am very thankful for the VMCCA for this scholarship as it will help me financially in the long run. Thank you so much for giving me the opportunity to lower my costs for great learning and experiences!



**Jamison
Porter Bloom**

My name is Jamison Porter Bloom, and my grandparents are involved in the Bexar Touring, JP and Sharon Green, from Runge, TX. I am a graduate of Goliad High School, and I will be attending Schreiner University in the fall majoring in Mechanical Engineering. I am a proud Boy Scouts of America Eagle Scout, and in high school, I was on the varsity football and golf team where I received all area academic awards in both. I also received the Fighting Heart Award two years in a row for golf.



Brianna Cowan

My name is Brianna Cowan. I just completed my second year at Seattle Pacific University. I am pursuing a degree in Nursing in hopes of being a labor and delivery nurse one day. I chose nursing because I love learning about the human body, and I wanted a career where I could help others. When I am not studying, I love being with my friends and going hiking. One of my favorite memories with my grandpa is riding in the back of his Mustang around the neighborhood. My grandparents are VMCCA members, George and Norma Wiggitt of Sequim, WA. This scholarship helps me financially, as Seattle Pacific is a private university.



Zachary Sturgeon

I'm a recent graduate that will be attending Northern Michigan University (NMU) this fall to study Zoology. My parents, Jeremy and Lisa Sturgeon, and grandparents, Carl and Linda Sturgeon, are members of the VMCCA from the Great Lakes Region. Ever since elementary I've had a strong passion for Wildlife and the outdoors. This is partially because of my amazing 4th grade teacher who encouraged my class to love nature and seek out our interests. Through her teaching and care for the passions she held dear, she influenced me to love wildlife. I plan to become a Wildlife Field Tech and study, tag, and research animals out in the wild. I hope to specialize in bears or large cats. However, I believe that there are a plethora of species I'd love to study. My hopes for the future can be described by this quote. "Life is not measured by the number of breaths we take, but by the moments that take our breath away." - Vicki Corona