



# FOUNDATION FOR RUSHFORD-PETERSON SCHOOLS

# ANNUAL REPORT

The Foundation for Rushford-Peterson Schools is a charitable organization that strives to ensure R-P students and alumni become successful members of society by building relationships to inspire lifelong learning and the development of character. The foundation places an emphasis on academic scholarship and the enrichment of the educational environment and co-curricular activities within our district. Scholarships have been awarded annually since 2013 with a goal of awarding at least ten percent of graduating seniors with a \$500 scholarship for their post-secondary education. **This year through the generosity of area businesses we were able to add five trade focus scholarships.**

**Angel Fund** Help financially disadvantaged students fund needs related to their education - field trips, drivers ed, technology. Anonymous program, only school administrators know who is helped. Students pay it back by helping in school or in the community.

**School Enhancement Fund** Larger designated donations, including Evenson bleacher donation (\$31,500) and Woxland music program donation (\$30,000).



**Fundraisers Scholarship Drive** - Students contact parents, alumni, and other community members.

**Bluff Land Triathlon** - October 13, 2018 - Grew to nearly 100 participants last year and continuing to enhance event. We are adding chip timing and a junior BLT for kids 10 and under.

**Fall Feast & Annual Meeting** - October 13, 2018 - Dinner at Hoiland Mill attended by school foundation supporters.

Financial Recap	9/30/2017	9/30/2018
Endowment Fund	\$20,935	\$27,929
School Enhancement*	\$63,625	\$8,021
General/Scholarship	\$42,655	\$48,787
TOTAL	\$127,215	\$84,737

\* School Enhancement expenditures included bleacher seat backs, a piano and numerous other musical instruments.

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# 2018 Scholarship Recipients

## GENERAL SCHOLARSHIPS - \$500

Ben Ansell  
 Nicole Blagsvedt  
 Olivia Hoff  
 Anna Kjos  
 Hannah Ledebuhr  
 Jordan McNamer

## TRADE FOCUSED SCHOLARSHIPS

Dawson Dahl - \$625  
 Ben Maynard - \$500  
 Ian McNeill - \$500  
 Josh Miertschin - \$500  
 Mackenzie Waldo - \$500

## SERVICE AWARD - \$250

Hannah Ledebuhr  
 Matt Strapp

## MERLE & BETTE EVENSON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS - \$500

Kensay Clobes  
 MacKenzie Eide  
 Morgan Kingsley

## MERLIN & LILA JAMESON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - \$1,000

Dylan Buckland

## MICHAEL REINHARDT MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP - \$500

Victoria Kjome  
 Grace Luhmann

## NEWS FROM PAST RECIPIENTS

2014 | [Austin O'Hare](#) | [Saint Mary's University](#) | [Life Science Education](#)

The scholarship helped me by allowing me to go to school and focus on school instead of on working so much while I was there. Working at Grand Meadow Public School (middle and high school science teacher)

2016 | [Bailey O'Hare](#) | [Saint Mary's University](#) | [Biology \(pre-medicine\)](#)

Earning a Foundation scholarship has allowed me to focus on my studies and allotted me time to participate in leadership roles on campus without having to work as many hours to pay for tuition.

2016 | [Kean Benson](#) | [Carlson School of Mgmt, U of MN](#) | [BS: Finance & Supply Chain/Ops Mgmt](#) | [Minor: Business Law](#)

It showed the community's support and belief in my future.

2017 | [Joy Hundorf](#) | [Luther College](#) | [Nursing](#)

It helped me with better financial stability while starting out at college and worry a bit less about money, which was very nice. It is helping me to achieve my future career goals by knowing that I will always be able to thank my hometown and this Foundation for helping me to get started with my college education. It is super nice because it helps me brag up my hometown and the Foundation even more. I am thankful for the support from the community and this Foundation for my future career as a nurse.

2017 | [Savannah Skalet](#) | [RCTC](#) | [Sonography/Nursing](#)

It allows me to focus more on my school work, because I didn't have to worry as much about working to get money for living expenses like rent, food, and bills.

2017 | [Nathan Wick](#) | [Winona State University](#) | [Finance](#)

The Foundation scholarship has helped me immensely. College is so expensive and being able to put that money towards tuition is a big help to reach my goal of graduating with no student loans. If I can do that, it will help me so much in the future for me to be able to pay other bills and not have to worry about student debt and be able to focus on my career.

2018 | [Ben Ansell](#) | [University of St. Thomas](#) | [Business Administration - Financial Management](#)

After earning a Foundation scholarship I was able to comfortably choose a school that I believe is the best fit for me and that will allow me to achieve my academic and career goals.

2018 | [Nicole Blagsvedt](#) | [University of Wisconsin - River Falls](#) | [Elementary Education](#)

Earning a Foundation scholarship has allowed me to focus more on my studies as opposed to working more than I have to at my part-time job. This has allowed me to be more relieved from financial stress and fully immersed in working towards my goal of becoming an elementary educator.

2018 | [Joshua Miertschin](#) | [MSC Southeast](#) | [CNC Machine Tool Diploma](#)

Helps pay for college. Greatly appreciated.

2018 | [Mackenzie Waldo](#) | [Southeast Tech, then Winona State](#) | [Psychology](#)

The scholarship will help me tremendously with financial needs as I will have 5 years of schooling and will need all the financial help I can get.

2018 | [Dawson Dahl](#) | [Western Tech](#) | [Wood Technology](#)

It has always been a goal of mine to reach the end of my college career debt free. This scholarship has made this goal much closer to a reality.

2018 | [Anna Kjos](#) | [Luther College](#) | [Nursing](#)

Earning this scholarship is helping me to achieve my career goals by making college more affordable, so I can get the degree I need.

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