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## Prince Edward County announces vaccination scholarship winners

*Ten local students receive \$2,000 scholarships to encourage post-secondary continuing education* 

**PRINCE EDWARD, VA (July 16, 2021)** – Schools will be safer this fall thanks to the participation of local students in a vaccination program that offered scholarship incentives and received strong support from the local business community.

Today, Prince Edward County announced the 10 winners of the \$2,000 scholarships:

- 1. Jaquan Brown
- 2. Morgan Curtis
- 3. Mason Dennison
- 4. JaNyla Green
- 5. Izaiah Harrison
- 6. Sarah Lucas
- 7. Aliyah Rachels
- 8. Anthony Scott
- 9. Ava Tibbs
- 10. Kolorado Webb

To be eligible for the August 16 drawing, students had to be Prince Edward County residents between the ages of 12 and 18 on August 1, 2021, and enrolled as a high school or middle school student during the calendar year 2021, whether they attend homeschool, independent school, or public school.

Scholarship winners who will be headed to higher education or training programs will receive a check written jointly to the student and a postsecondary educational institution. For younger students, scholarships will be held in an account bearing the student's name until graduation from high school.

## STUDENT QUOTE

In June, the Prince Edward County Board of Supervisors established the scholarship program with \$5,000 in local funding to focus the community's vaccination efforts on the future and to encourage students to get vaccinated. Local institutions and businesses and a Prince Edward County High School alumnus immediately stepped forward to financially support the effort and expand the number of available scholarships. The additional \$15,000 of funding has allowed the Board of Supervisors to increase scholarship amounts to \$2,000 for each of the 10 winning students.

"This is a community program designed to make all students safer as we start the 2021-2022 school year," said Doug Stanley, Prince Edward County administrator. "Our community really rallied around the idea, and we are so grateful for the support. Congratulations to each of the winners. The County is proud to be playing a part in their future, through this opportunity to support their continuing education."

While the scholarship drawing is now over, students and parents are still strongly encouraged to receive their vaccinations, particularly with the emergence of new variants. Visit *VaccinatePrinceEdward.org* for information about how adults and children can get a vaccination locally.

## Prince Edward County COVID Vaccination Scholarship

Sponsor	Contribution
Centra	\$5,000.00
Hampden-Sydney	
College	\$2,000.00
Longwood University	\$2,000.00
Luck Stone	\$1,000.00
Prince Edward County	\$5,000.00
Mid-Atlantic Irrigation	\$1,000.00
Jim OConner (PECHS	
graduate)	\$1,000.00
Farmville Cares	\$1,000.00
Piedmont Senior	
Resources	\$2,000.00
Total	\$20,000.00