2025 Fall VMCCA Foundation Scholarship Winners



Hello, my name is Ty Atkinson, and I'm from Cincinnati, Ohio. I am a recent graduate of Ross High School. During my time there, I was actively involved in the Robotics Team as the build team leader, volunteered at Lego League Camps, and worked on community service projects with organizations such as the Ross Lions Club. One of my proudest accomplishments was helping my Robotics Team design a modified gait trainer for a young lady with multiple disabilities, giving her greater independence and show-

ing me the true impact of engineering. This fall, I will be attending the University of Dayton to pursue a degree in mechanical engineering. I am especially grateful to be awarded this scholarship, as it not only helps reduce the financial burden but also allows me to focus on my studies and continue serving others through innovation and mentorship.

A big thanks to my grandparents, Tim and Gina Eagan, from the Kentucky and Mid-Atlantic Regions, for their support in making this possible. Thank you for helping me pursue my education and my dreams. Go Flyers!



Hello, my name is Eliana Blate and I'm from Austin, Texas.
I am Sophia's twin and a recent graduate from Anderson High School. During high school, I had the pleasure of being part of the French Club where I was one of the officers, National Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta, and Environmental Awareness Club. This fall I will be attending Providence College in Rhode Island where I plan to major in business management.

Thank you all so much for awarding me this scholarship, allowing me to further my academic career at Providence College. Go Friars! I am the granddaughter of Gary and Ruth Mayer from the TexOma Region.



Hello, my name is Sophia Blate and I'm from Austin, Texas. I am a recent graduate of Anderson High School. During high school, I was involved in the French Club where I managed the social media, National Honor Society, French Honors Society, Environmental Awareness Club, and the IB program. This fall I will be attending Providence College in Rhode Island where I plan to major in business management.

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ing me this scholarship, allowing me to further my academic career at Providence College. I am the granddaughter of Gary and Ruth Mayer from the TexOma Region.



Hello! My name is Christian Brown, and I grew up in San Diego, California. I've had dreams about a future for my art career forever, but they've always just been that. Dreams. As a GED graduate, I plan to attend Palo Alto College and get my associates in entrepreneurship. Thanks to the VMCCA Scholarship Foundation, I can use this college education as a tool to further the protection, success, and growth of my art business! In five years I see myself as a full-time artist

selling my art worldwide. Curious about what I do? Go to christiscanvas.my.canva.site (Note: this website is brand new and I will be adding to it in the future).

Thank you, VMCCA, for awarding me this scholarship! You have carried me closer to making my dreams a reality. I am the grand-daughter of Greg and Cathy Rising of the Texoma Region.





Hi! My name is Emily Summanen, and I'm from Columbus, Ohio. I attended Bishop Watterson High School and am a member of the National Honor Society. I participated in the theatre program for all four years, running eight different shows as a sound technician. During my time there, I also became a member of the International Thespian Society and was awarded the Rising Star and Best Thespian awards. I also joined the Chess Club, and co-founded the Robotics Club. This fall, I will be attending the

University of Cincinnati, majoring in chemical engineering.

This wouldn't be possible without my grandmother, Shirley Doherty, from the Kentucky Region, for encouraging me and supporting my college journey. I am honored to have been chosen as a VMCCA scholarship recipient, allowing me to further my education and achieve greatness.



Hello, my name is Lukas Wolff, and I'm from Grain Valley, Missouri. I graduated from Grain Valley High School in 2025 and am currently an undergraduate Architectural Engineering major at the University of Kansas in Lawrence. Additionally, I am a part of an engineering specific fellowship program called the SELF Fellowship. They will provide additional support paths for my ultimate goals to be met. My hope for the future is to eventually own a firm of my own where I can provide healthy, accommo-

dative living, and social spaces for all.

I want to give a big thank you to my grandparents, Steve and Debbie Wolff, of the Midwest Region, for the amazing opportunity to apply for this scholarship, and a big thank you to the VMCCA for awarding so many of us. Rock Chalk!



My name is Sherese Yarbrough, and I am one of the scholarship recipients. My future plan is to finish my nursing degree with Texas Tech University Health Science Center this year and graduate in December before starting my career as a registered nurse. I hope to be a nurse in the pediatric intensive care unit or in the trauma/surgical intensive care unit here at UMC in Lubbock, Texas.

I am the granddaughter of James

and Marlene Myers, and James and Betty Yarbrough, all from the TexOma Region.



- This scholarship will benefit any Active Member of the Vintage Motor Car Club of America.
- The applicant must be the child, grandchild, or great-grandchild of an active member of the VMCCA prior to the date of this application. Membership will be confirmed by the National Secretary.
- Applicants from previous years may reapply, but winning applicants will receive only one scholarship award.
- The scholarship award may be used at any accredited school or vocational school of the recipient's choice.
- Full and part time students are eligible for scholarship assistance.
- Applicants must obtain a 2.5 GPA average on a 4.0 scale for the year preceding their request for a scholarship.
- Recipients must use the scholarship for the current school year. The award cannot be deferred.
- The amount of the scholarship will be determined by the Board of Directors and may vary depending on contributions. Please advise Founda-



tion if you have full scholarship offers from other sources.

- Scholarship funds will be paid directly to accredited school of recipient's choice.
- Applicants must submit copies of all their academic transcripts with their application.
- Applications are accepted year-round.
- Evaluation of the answers submitted and Grade Point Average will be used to determine applicant's eligibility to receive scholarship award.
- Proof of enrollment of a school or college may be required.
- Decisions made by the scholarship committee are final.
- Award winning candidates will be notified via email.
- Please submit electronically two pictures: one of yourself and one of you and your parents or grandparents. This will be used for the *Bulb Horn*Magazine and the VMCCA Foundation Website. Please email pictures only to Don Knight at: dwknight3040@gmail.com
- Mail completed application to: VMCCA Foundation, P.O. Box 161, Hempstead, TX 77445. Emailed applications WILL NOT be accepted.

