

Bangor Area School District Educational Foundation Awards \$47,000 in Scholarships

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At this year's award ceremony, The Bangor Area School District Educational Foundation, a non-profit organization that operates independently from the school, awarded graduating seniors with \$47,000 in scholarships. In recent years, thanks to the generous donations of community members and alumni, The Foundation has been able to expand it's scholarship offering to include not only The Stewart & Virginia Wolf Memorial Scholarship, the Edythe Trigiani Citizenship, Scholarship, and Leadership Award, the Antonio Trigiani Memorial School Achievement Award, Russ Nicholson Memorial Scholarship, The Portland School Alumni Award, The Portland High School Memorial Scholarship, but also, in their second year, The Fight Like Stevie Scholarship and The Pinto Scholarship for Performing Arts.

This year's recipients include:

Ben Engle - The Stewart & Virginia Wolf Memorial Scholarship - \$20,000

Annabelle Gormont- Portland High School Memorial Scholarship - \$16,000

Elizabeth Rutt – The Pinto Scholarship for Dance, Theater and Music - \$3,000

Emma Etzkorn - Antonio Trigiani Memorial School Achievement Award (Business Curriculum) - \$1,000.00

Maxwell Manicke - Antonio Trigiani Memorial School Achievement Award (Technology Education Curriculum) - \$1,000.00

Abigail Duyssen - Antonio Trigiani Memorial School Achievement Award (College Prep) - \$1,000.00

Tara Dietzler - Antonio Trigiani Memorial School Achievement Award (Vocational-Technical Curriculum) - \$1,000.00

Madyson Escudro - Edythe Trigiani Citizenship, Scholarship, and Leadership Award - \$1,000.00

Calais Lovett - Portland School Alumni Award - \$1,000.00

Emma Toth – Russell Nicholson Memorial Scholarship - \$500.00

Jayleigh Figurski – Russell Nicholson Memorial Scholarship - \$500.00

Brianne Correll – Fight Like Stevie Scholarship - \$500.00

Leah LaBar - Fight Like Stevie Scholarship - \$500.00

The Bangor Area School District Educational Foundation, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) non-profit educational organization that operates independently from the district and school board. Founded in the Spring of 1997, The Foundation's mission is to support learning for the children and adults of the Bangor Area School District by funding activities and culturally enriching programs, community events, student scholarships, teacher grant projects and academic awards. The Foundation oversees the financial aspect of various scholarships that are presented to district students each year. The Foundation is also responsible for funding various enrichment experiences such as Cyndi the SynDaver, an outreach program presented in conjunction with the Da Vinci Science Center as well as teacher grant programs, all of which are made available through donor contributions and fundraising efforts of The Bangor Area School District Educational Foundation, Inc. Should you be interested in learning more, sponsoring a scholarship or making a general donation, please visit our website at basdef.org or contact Executive Director Deanna Ruzanski at director@basdef.org



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