



Pictured left to right are NJ Association of Counties Executive Director John Donnadio, Warren County Technical School Superintendent Derrick Forsythe, scholarship recipients Emma Leigh Hoyer and Julianna Fox, Commissioner Deputy Director Lori Ciesla, scholarship recipients Kaelly Abad-Quizhpi, Dylan Schulze and Joseph LoManto, and Commissioner James R. Kern III. Not pictured is scholarship recipient Rylee Mullane.

Commissioners Present Scholarships to Warren Tech Grads

By Art Charlton

(WHITE TWP., NJ – July 23, 2025) – Six recent graduates of Warren County Technical School selected for scholarships given through the NJAC Foundation, the charitable arm of the New Jersey Association of Counties, were honored by the Warren County Board of County Commissioners.

“We are immensely proud of these students from Warren County, who are among the NJAC Foundation scholarship winners in all 21 counties,” Commissioner Deputy Director Lori Ciesla said, adding the students have “such impressive resumes already.”

“They exemplify everything we try to instill at Warren Tech: the dedication, the commitment to the training. Congratulations to all students and their parents,” said Warren County Technical School Superintendent Derrick Forsythe, who attended the presentation during the Commissioners’ meeting.

The NJAC Foundation is awarding \$110,056 in scholarships to county vocational-technical school graduates who plan on continuing their education in New Jersey at a county college, state college or state university.

NJAC Executive Director John Donnadio noted this was the first year the foundation reached and exceeded \$100,000 in money raised and scholarships awarded.

Commissioner James R. Kern III praised NJAC for making sure scholarships were available in all 21 counties. The six Warren County recipients “have such a bright future that started here at Warren Tech,” Kern added.

“Congratulations all the outstanding students and their families,” Donnadio said.

The NJAC Foundation Amazon Scholarship of \$1,000 was presented to Kaelly Abad-Quizhpi of Hackettstown. At Warren Tech, Abad-Quizhpi was at the top of her graduating class, a member of the National Honor Society and was secretary of Key Club. She is secretary for Hackettstown First Aid and Rescue Squad where she contacts organizations for donations, and tracks service hours and member involvement, and in February she became a certified EMT.

The AT&T Scholarship of \$1,000 went to Emma Leigh Hoyer of Washington. A four-year member of Warren Tech’s Cosmetology program who passed her state exam, Hoyer was a regular member of the High Honor Roll and active in Student Government.

Investors Bank, a division of Citizens Bank N.A., awards two \$500 scholarships in all 21 counties, and the Warren County recipients were Julianna Fox and Rylee Mullane. Fox is from Washington and was a four-year member of the Child Development CTE program at Warren Tech, where she created lessons and taught eight preschoolers, four days a week.

The SHI International Scholarship of \$250 is given to one student in each of the 21 counties who plans to pursue a degree in technology or cyber security. Warren County’s recipient is Joseph LoManto of Blairstown, who was ranked Number 3 in his graduating class and was in the Engineering CTE program for four years.

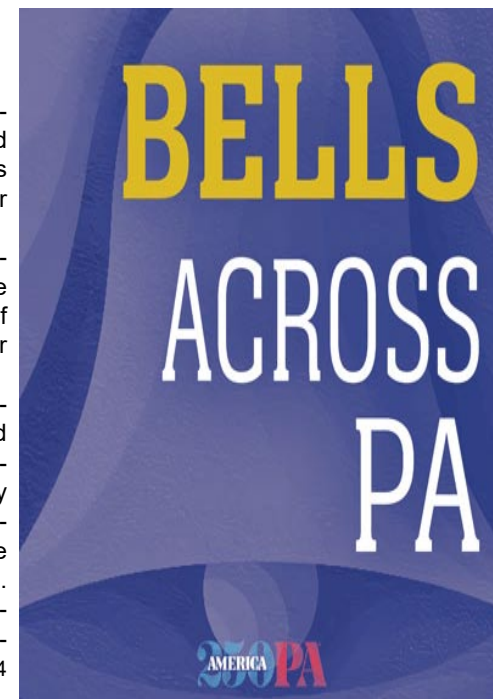
Attention Artists!

By Rep. Joe Emrick

America250PA – the organization planning the state’s participation in the United States’ 250th anniversary next year – is seeking submissions from local artists for its “Bells Across PA” art series.

Selected artists will execute their designs on a fiberglass bell sculpture. The goal is to place at least one bell in each of the state’s 67 counties, but the hope is for many more.

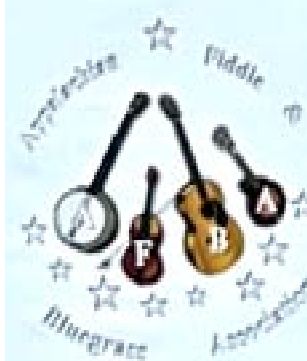
Bells Across PA is open to all Pennsylvania artists and groups from the acclaimed to the amateur. Painters, sculptors, craftsmen, multi-media artists and other wildly creative people are all encouraged to apply. Each commissioned bell will receive one honorarium, regardless of group size. Learn more here <https://links.pahouse-news.com/q/-uj55Fx11j0XKtHsUlt-WAjBzs-kj1HkY7ZcOJYnZ0aW1lc0ByY24uY29tw4gSTUlzgvBeoqlLbZPbx-MFm0ozJw>.



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