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Cooperative awards \$10,500 in scholarships

Mia Holmes of Seneca East High School was selected as the first-place winner of \$1,800 during Firelands Electric Cooperative's annual scholarship contest. The daughter of Fred and Diane Holmes of Attica, she plans to study nursing in the fall but is currently undecided which college she will attend. Holmes will also participate in a statewide contest on April 16 at Ohio's Electric Cooperatives in Columbus. During this event, representatives from Ohio's 24 electric co-ops have a chance to compete for additional scholarships worth up to \$4,300.

The second-place winner of a \$1,600 scholarship is **Evelyn Day** of Temple Christian High School. Day is the daughter of Raymond and Jessica Day of Ashland. She plans to study civil engineering at Cedarville University.

Gracelyn Lamoreaux of South Central High School is the winner of the third-place, \$1,400 scholarship. Daughter of Marc and Melia Lamoreaux of Greenwich, she plans to study early childhood education and intervention at Bowling Green State University's Firelands Campus.

Fourth-place winner of a \$1,200 scholarship is **Lance Tucker** of Hillsdale High School. Tucker is the son of Scott and Kristy Tucker of Perrysville. He will be studying business administration at Franklin University this fall.

The fifth-place winner of \$1,000 is **Kailyn Moneer** of Hillsdale High School. Moneer is the daughter of Jim and Stacey Moneer of Perrysville. She plans to study business administration at Kent State University.

Gavin Hines of Northwestern High School is the winner of the sixth-place, \$750 scholarship. The son of Patrick and Maria Hines of Ashland, he plans to study mechanical engineering next fall at Miami University.

The winners of Honorable Mention scholarships, each worth \$500, are **Kendyl Beverly** of South Central High School and **Brendon Hess** of Loudonville High School. Beverly is the daughter of Nate and Ashley Beverly of Greenwich. She will major in early childhood education at Ashland University next fall. Hess, the son of Kenneth and Sarah Hess of Perrysville, plans to major in biology in the fall but is undecided which college he will attend.

Kaydn Nickle of St. Paul High School and **Braden Philpott** of Crestview High School are the winners of Judges' Choice awards of \$500 each. Nickle is the son of William and Sarah Nickle of Monroeville. He plans to study mechanical engineering at Ohio Northern University next fall. Philpott, son of Christopher and Lissa Philpott of Ashland, also plans to major in mechanical engineering. He is currently undecided which college he will attend.

Brianna Dobias of South Central High School and EHOVE is the winner of Firelands' \$750 Career Scholarship. Dobias is the daughter of Joshua and Felicia Dobias of New London. She plans to enroll at Firelands Regional Medical Center of Nursing in the fall.

Firelands Electric Cooperative holds its annual scholarship contest for graduating high school seniors who reside in a home served by the cooperative. This year, the co-op received applications from students attending EHOVE, Crestview, Hillsdale, Loudonville, Lucas, New London, Northwestern, Seneca East, South Central, St. Paul, and Temple Christian high schools.

Firelands Electric, A Touchstone Energy Cooperative®, is a member-owned, not-for-profit electric utility serving more than 9,200 members in the rural areas of Ashland, Huron, Lorain, and Richland counties. For more information on Firelands' scholarships and other youth programs, visit their website at www.firelandsec.com/community.

2024 SCHOLARSHIP WINNER PHOTOS



1st – Mia Holmes (Seneca East)



2nd – Evelyn Day (Temple Christian)



3rd – Gracelyn Lamoreaux (South Central)



4th – Lance Tucker (Hillsdale)



5th – Kailyn Moneer (Hillsdale)



6th – Gavin Hines (Northwestern)

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Career Scholarship – Brianna Dobias (South Central/EHOVE)

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