

Kokomo Schools Education Foundation

# Class of 2020 Scholarships



Kokomo High School

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## **Bill and Mabel Dunn Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Megan Morris*

Bill and Mabel Dunn were life-long residents of Kokomo and graduates of Kokomo High School. All seven of their children were graduates of Kokomo and/or Haworth High School. Bill was the owner of an auto body shop in Kokomo, where he learned the value of a strong work ethic, self-sufficiency, and leadership. Annually, the Dunn children honor their parents with a scholarship.

## **Burt Family Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Maya James*

Mrs. Pamela Burt has established a scholarship to honor her husband, James Burt, and daughter Meredith who were both outstanding athletes at Kokomo High School. James was an honored athlete in football, baseball, and basketball and was a member of the 1961 KHS State Championship Basketball Team. Meredith was an Indiana All-Star in softball and earned six letters in softball, volleyball, and basketball.

## **Carolyn and Ed Kammeyer Sportsmanship Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Mitchell Wyrick*

Carolyn and Ed were both teachers in the Kokomo School Corporation for many years. Now both retired, Carolyn was a math teacher at Maple Crest School, and Ed was a counselor at both Haworth and Kokomo High School. The Kammeyer's remain dedicated fans of the Kokomo Wildkats. For many years Ed was the sponsor of the KHS K-Club.

**Coca-Cola Kokomo Scholarship in Memory of Betse Severns McCullough**  
*2020 Recipient: Christopher White*

Betse Severns was a 1973 graduate of Kokomo High School and a 1977 graduate of DePauw University. This scholarship was established by the Severns family in her memory. Betse worked for Congressman Bud Hillis in Washington, assisted Admiral John Collins in writing his book on national defense, and was an experienced national defense analyst with the Boeing Corporation. She was a dedicated wife to Jack McCullough and mother to her children.

**Daniel E. Wells Scholarship**  
*2020 Recipient: Aditya Sood*

Currently, a resident of Knightstown, Indiana, Dan Wells, 1963 KHS graduate, established a scholarship to promote speech and debate and/or STEM graduates from Kokomo High School. His experience as a member of the KHS Debate Team taught him the importance of communication as one of the primary keys to success. His post-secondary training at Purdue University and subsequent work in the auto industry also taught him the significance of the STEM subjects for future success. Mr. Wells is offering this scholarship as a legacy for his belief that KHS trains students who will be vital contributors to the community, state, and nation.

**Debbie Dye Memorial Scholarship**  
*2020 Recipient: Mitchell Wyrick*

Debbie Dye was a long-time business education teacher at Kokomo High School, where she promoted the importance of employment skills through her classroom teaching and sponsorship of business education extra-curricular activities. The family of Mrs. Dye is continuing to make a scholarship available in Debbie's memory to promote business education and assist students that are pursuing a career path in that field.

## **Dick Christie Honor Wildkat Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Shelby Wells*

Dick Christie was a life-long resident of Kokomo and a Kokomo High School graduate. He was a teacher in the Kokomo Schools and Assistant Athletic Director at KHS. His many years as a coach and athletic trainer in several sports taught him the importance of both scholarship and sportsmanship. Dick's colleagues, fellow coaches, and family have established this scholarship to memorialize his contribution to both of these values.

## **Dr. Douglas Daniel Hogan III Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipients: David Anderson-Penn and Amy Cone*

Dan Hogan was a 1973 graduate of Kokomo High School who went on to become a teacher, coach, and administrator in the Kokomo Schools. Dan was a high school athlete who understood the importance of extra-curricular activities and particularly sports to encourage at-risk students to stay in school, finish their high school careers, and go on to post-secondary training. Dan was an English teacher in the Kokomo Schools and became the long-time principal at Maple Crest School. He earned his doctorate from Purdue University. The friends, family, colleagues, and students at Maple Crest School have made this scholarship available to encourage at-risk students further to become post-secondary successes. Two scholarships are awarded this year.

## **Dr. Robert Dalton Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Aditya Sood*

Dr. Robert Dalton was the superintendent of the Kokomo Schools from 1967-1985. During his tenure as superintendent, he played a significant role in establishing Kokomo High School as one of the premier public high schools in Indiana. In 1985 he became the assistant superintendent of public instruction for the state where he continued his advocacy for public education. The friends, colleagues, family of Dr. Dalton have established this scholarship as a permanent memorial to this outstanding educator's contribution to public education.

## **Francis Arthur Lewis Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Megan Morris*

Mrs. Lorene Lewis, a noted commercial artist, honored her husband, Francis Arthur Lewis, with a memorial scholarship at his death in 1962. Mr. Lewis came to Kokomo in 1934 to work as a sales representative for the Continental Steel Corporation.

## **Frank and Emily Moore Citizenship Award**

*2020 Recipient: Harrison Reed*

Frank Moore and his wife Emily were life-long residents of Kokomo and graduates of Kokomo High School. Both were active in the Kokomo Community, promoting events and activities that fostered citizenship among Kokomo High School students. Mr. Moore taught Industrial Arts at KHS before becoming an assistant principal and eventually principal. His tenure as principal saw Kokomo High School maintain its standing among Indiana High Schools as one of the premier institutions in the state. The family, friends, staff, and students of the Moores established this scholarship as a permanent memorial to their impact on the students of KHS.

## **Jeffrey T. Moulder Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Mariah Henson*

Jeffrey T. Moulder was a 2002 KHS graduate and a product of the Kokomo Schools. At Kokomo High School, he was an academically successful student and an accomplished athlete. His passion was golf, and he credited the KHS golf program as his motivation for success in life. He qualified for the Indiana High School Athletic Association State Golf Finals all four years of his high school career and went ahead to have a highly successful golf career at IUPUI. The family and friends of Mr. Moulder have established an endowment for this permanent memorial.

### **Joe H. Dunbar Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Katherine Gilbody*

Joe Dunbar is a life-long resident of Kokomo and a graduate of Kokomo High School in 1961. He taught social studies at Kokomo High School and served as a debate coach throughout his teaching career. In addition, he was a central office administrator, active community volunteer, and school board member. The friends of Mr. Dunbar established this scholarship on his retirement. The scholarship is endowed for an annual award to a Kokomo High School graduate with accomplishments in communications.

### **Kay Deluise Spirit Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Gwendolyn Arvay*

Lucille Kay Deluise was a 1961 graduate of Kokomo High School and later served 31 years as an English teacher and counselor at Kokomo High School. Kay was an avid Kokomo Wildkat and spent many hours helping KHS students through difficult family, academic, and social challenges. She established the KHS Magic Closet, which helps needy students with clothing, school supplies, and other items. After her retirement in 2001, she continued to work with the KHS cadet teaching program. This memorial scholarship was established by the family, friends, colleagues, and former students.

### **Kenneth (Red) Craig Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Kaitlyn Meador*

Kenneth Craig was a life-long resident of Kokomo and a product of the Kokomo Schools. He was active as a trainer in the athletic department, taught social studies at KHS, served as a counselor, and was assistant principal. For many years "Red" Craig was an official for the North Central Athletic Conference to which Kokomo was a charter member. In his estate, Mr. Craig provided funds for an active scholarship for a deserving Kokomo High School graduate.

## **KHS Class of 1972 Spirit of Harmony Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Alexis Hall*

As the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the KHS Class of 1972 approaches, class members have endowed a scholarship that they hope will permanently emphasize the importance of diversity, harmony, and community service to all students. From their years at KHS from 1968 to 1972, this class experienced stress and strife that few classes have experienced since. This class has coalesced into a cohesive group of alumni who hope that their ideals of harmony and citizenship will continue. This scholarship is intended to be awarded to a KHS graduate who models these ideals.

## **KHS Legacy Scholarships**

*2020 Recipients:*

*Vicky Qiu, Hai Doran, Maya James, Andres Begne Valenzuela, Anika Sood*

The motto for the class of 2020 is "Legacy Matters." Members of the class have many things that they will contribute to the long and proud legacy of their class, school, and community. Their contributions present and future will continue to build on one of the strongest educational foundations in the State of Indiana as well as the nation at large—Kokomo High School. The Kokomo Schools Education Foundation is offering five KHS Legacy Scholarships to help promote their belief that truly "Legacy Matters."

## **Kokomo High School Class of 1954 Legacy Scholarships**

*2020 Recipients: Katherine Gilbody, Brayden York and Alexis Hall*

The KHS Alumni from 1954 have made three scholarships available to celebrate their class and to promote the "Legacy Matters" theme for current KHS students. After graduation, the Class of '54 has experienced many happy times and successful reunions. The class wishes to continue promoting their proud legacy with current KHS graduates. The class theme since graduation has been "It's yesterday once more for the Class of 1954."

## **Kokomo Schools Education Foundation General Scholarships**

*2020 Recipients: Daulton Cox and Cam LeClerc*

The Kokomo Schools Education Foundation is able to award two general scholarships from a fund established by memorials from community members, staff, and former students. The fund specifically memorializes Nancy Riggs Caldwell, Keith and Karen Weedman, Serena Utley, Freida Haseltine, Don Myer, Robert Swing, Ed Baumann, Paul Linder, Pat Linder, Stephen Rayl, Dick and Peg Abney, Larry Foster, Fred Hawkins, Marjorie Roush, Bill Daisy, Ed Fivecoate, Phyllis Stucker.

## **Kristen (Barsh) Downing Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Katelyn Howell*

Kristy Barsh Downing was a graduate of Kokomo High School and Ball State University. Upon graduation from Ball State, Kristy began her elementary teaching career in the Kokomo Schools. For several years Kristy taught elementary children at Lafayette Park School. This scholarship is a memorial to Mrs. Downing's service as a teacher to the Kokomo School Corporation and its elementary students. It was originally established by the friends and colleagues of Mrs. Downing and is now maintained by her family and friends.

## **Lance Corporal James E. Swain Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Harrison Reed*

Lance Corporal James E. Swain was a 2002 graduate of Kokomo High School. He was a member of the National Honor Society and was active in dramatic productions at KHS. His interest in computers and statistics led him to be the statistician for the KHS Lady Wildkat Basketball Team. Through his church, Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-Day Saints, James contributed too many community service activities. Upon graduation from high school, James joined the United States Marine Corps and was stationed in California. He volunteered for active duty in the Middle East and was killed in action in Anwar Province, Fallujah, Iraq, November 15, 2014. James' friends and family, as well as the staff of Kokomo High School, have endowed this scholarship in James' memory and as a tribute to his service to his country.



## **Larry Herr Desirable Challenge Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Ethan Smith*

Kokomo High School alumnus, Larry Herr, annually makes a scholarship available for a KHS graduate who has studied in the learning disability program. Larry was a highly successful KHS academic student who overcame learning disabilities through the Kokomo Schools learning disabilities program. During his high school years, Larry was a championship swimmer. His passion for athletics led him to the Olympic Games, where he served as one of the swimming coaches for the US team.

## **Linda Healy Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Andrew Hickey*

Linda Healy was a long-time learning disabilities teacher for the Kokomo Schools. Her daily association with learning disability students taught her that any student could succeed. To memorialize her untimely death, family, friends, and colleagues have endowed a scholarship to memorialize her service to special education students in the Kokomo Schools. Memorials from the recent untimely passing of colleague Pat Linder, also a special needs teacher and administrator, were directed to the Linda Healy Memorial Scholarship. Linda would be proud to know that her close friend Pat Linder's passing will have a permanent impact on future special needs students.

## **Mary Helen Druecker Smith Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Amy Cone*

Mary Helen Druecker Smith was a 1939 graduate of Kokomo High School and an avid supporter of Kokomo High School activities, athletics, and educational opportunities. She attended Indiana University Bloomington and was employed by Indiana University Kokomo for many years. Mrs. Smith's contributions to Kokomo education are memorialized in this scholarship. The scholarship is supported by Mrs. Smith's family and is awarded to a student wishing to attend Indiana University Kokomo.

## **Megan McConnell Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Alexis Hall*

The family, friends, and colleagues of Megan McConnell are making this memorial scholarship available to a Kokomo High School student who closely exemplifies the work and contributions of Megan throughout her life. Megan (Winger) McConnell was a Kokomo High School and Ball State University graduate who returned to her home community to begin her educational career in 1997 as a teacher at Elwood Haynes Elementary School. From there, she became the Library Media Specialist at Central International Middle School and subsequently Kokomo High School. In 2016 she became Director of Educational Technology for the Kokomo School Corporation. Megan was known to her family, students, and colleagues as a cheerful, unselfish, creative leader who was able to inspire others, solve problems and look to the future. Through her encouragement, she was always able to bring out the best in people.

## **Miriam Louise Showalter Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Megan Morris*

Miriam Louise Showalter was a 1947 graduate of Kokomo High School, where she was active in many school activities. After graduation, she earned her Ph. D. in psychology at Iowa State University in 1958. Her entire professional career was in education, mostly classroom teaching. Her professorship in medical school concentrated on helping disturbed and/or distressed medical students cope with the challenges of medical school. This scholarship was endowed by Miriam's adopted children with the intent of promoting opportunities for students entering the fields of health services or education.

### **Sandifur Family Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Mitchell Wyrick*

The Sandifur Family (Gary, Lorene, Trent, and Travis) were all graduates of Kokomo High School. The education, athletic and leadership opportunities Kokomo High School provided were outstanding and valued by their family. Gary Sandifur (Football/69 Grad), Lorene Sandifur (Math Teacher/Curriculum Supervisor/Cross Country Assistant Coach /72 Grad), Trent Sandifur (Football/Class President/94 Grad) and Travis Sandifur (Cross Country/Class President/96 Grad) are making available a scholarship for a Kokomo High School student-athlete who has participated in the sports of cross country or football as well as showing outstanding leadership and citizenship in their school and community. It is their hope that the recipients of this scholarship will someday pay it forward. Go Wildkats!

### **Waylon Coulter Memorial Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Mitchell Wyrick*

The family, friends, classmates, teachers, and coaches of 2011 Kokomo High School graduate, Waylon Coulter, are making available a scholarship for KHS graduates who have been members of the KHS Varsity Track team. Waylon was an accomplished pole vaulter for the Kokomo track Kats. This scholarship is a memorial to Waylon for his dedication to Kokomo High School, the KHS Athletic Program, and track in particular.

### **William and Cora Davis Scholarship**

*2020 Recipient: Vinh Ly*

William and Cora Davis were life-long residents of Kokomo and supporters of Kokomo High School, its students, and the school district. In 1947 they endowed a scholarship to support worthy graduates of Kokomo High School.

## Giving...

One of the goals of the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation is to increase the number of scholarships offered and to raise each one to a minimum of \$1000 each. In order to accomplish that goal, we need the help of all friends of Kokomo High School. Donations in any amount are welcome to any particular scholarship or the general scholarship fund. Instructions for donating are as follows.

To start a new scholarship, please contact the Kokomo Schools Education Foundation at 765-455-8000.

Online Donations can be made by going to the Community Foundation of Howard County. You may choose any of these funds to donate to or start a new one.

- **Kokomo Schools Education Foundation Enrichment Endowment** - Provides support for any Kokomo School Corporation activities, programs, materials, and opportunities not supported by tax dollars.
- **Kokomo Schools Education Foundation Mini-Grant Fund** - Provides assistance to teachers for creative classroom projects.
- **Kokomo Schools Education Foundation Scholarship Funds** - Provides support to the Kokomo Public School Education Foundation's scholarship program.

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