

Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation

2021 Scholarships by Recipient

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Alvear	Gabriel	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Board Memorial Scholarship \$2,000	This scholarship is given on behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation in memory of past Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation Board members Jim Beedle, George Cameron, Dorne Davis, Art Giguere, Roberta Lund, Al Millinczek, Rose Sterrett, LeRoy Levine, Lyle Jacoby, Jim Metzen and Jil Lewis. The scholarship recipient exhibits academic excellence and involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Bartlette	Hope	2021 Inver Grove Heights Lions Club Pesek Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship is presented by the Inver Grove Heights Lions Club to promote the importance of serving others, and doing what we can to make our communities and world a better place for all of us to live in. This scholarship was first created in 1993 to memorialize the legacy of George Pesek, a great Lion for many years and a selfless humanitarian, and now represents all of the great Lions that have gone before us (Ken Detviler 2013, Don Trace 2019) who worked so hard to foster the spirit of service in this community. We congratulate you for modeling the way as a Servant Leader among your peers and in your school and community. We truly wish you the best of luck in all your future endeavors.
Berg	Cael	2021 Inver Grove Heights Lions Club Timothy Boche Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship is presented by the Inver Grove Heights Lions in memory of Timothy P. Boche who lettered in football, basketball and baseball at Simley. He was a member of National Honor Society, was Student Council President and in drama. He worked hard to promote Simley and build a better community. Timothy drowned in the summer of 1966, after his junior year at Simley.
Bly	William	2021 American Legion Post 424 Technical College Scholarship \$3,000	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend a technical school.
Borchard	Erin	2021 Inver Grove Heights Traveling Basketball Scholarship \$1,000	The goal of the Inver Grove Heights Traveling Basketball program is to provide a developmental basketball experience for boys and girls in 3rd through 8th grade. IGH Traveling Basketball seeks to provide a great basketball learning experience in a competitive environment. We recognize that kids play sports for a variety of reasons; because they love the sport, want to get a team experience, have fun, like the competitive nature of basketball, are interested in learning new skills, or a host of other reasons. Recipient must of participated in the traveling program anytime during 3rd - 8th grade.
Borchard	Sara	2021 Inver Grove Heights Heat Soccer Association Scholarship \$1,500	This scholarship has been established by the Inver Grove Heights Heat Soccer Association to recognize one female & one male soccer player based on leadership and involvement, community service and academic achievement. The recipient must have played with the Inver Grove Heights Heat for the past three consecutive summers. **In the event a male or female does not meet the playing soccer requirement the scholarship may not be awarded to 2 players of the same gender meeting the playing soccer requirement
Borrowman	Mitchell	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Bosin	Andrew	2021 Republic Services Pine Bend Landfill Scholarship \$2,500	Republic Services Pine Bend Landfill provides non-hazardous solid waste and recycling services for commercial, industrial, municipal and residential customers. Pine Bend Landfill will provide a scholarship to a Simley High School senior who plans to attend an accredited four-year institution in pursuit of a major in engineering, physical sciences (chemistry, physics), or the environmental field. The scholarship will be awarded to a senior who has exhibited a commitment to community service activities, have a B average or better and has been involved in extra-curricular activities.
Boughton	Zoe	2021 Jennifer Lee Pennington Memorial Scholarship \$3,500	Jennifer Lee Pennington Memorial Scholarship was established in loving memory of Jennifer by her parents, Phil and Joan. Jennifer was killed by lightning during a family vacation in August of 1996, one month before her thirteenth birthday.

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Boyden	Kieran	2021 American Legion Post 424 College Scholarship \$3,000	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School planning to attend a two-year or four-year college or university.
Briguet	Ashley	2021 Jacqueline Giguere Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship honors the memory of Jacqueline Giguere, a retired Salem Hills school nurse. She became a nurse to help people and was a strong supporter of education and community involvement.
Brinkman	Caleb	2021 Inver Grove Heights Band Booster Scholarship \$1,000	Inver Grove Heights Band Boosters are organized to promote and foster a spirit of excellence and pride in Simley's instrumental music program. This scholarship is based upon a student's all-around contributions to Simley's Band program as a whole and their individual development and performance.
Buysman	Breyton	2021 Richard and Georgia Salsbury Endowed Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship is funded by the American Veterans (AMVETS) Post 2000 of Inver Grove Heights. It has been established to honor Richard and Georgia Salsbury who worked tirelessly for many years to raise funds for Post 2000 and veterans in general. The scholarship will be awarded to a high school senior with a family member that is currently serving, or has been honorably discharged, in/from any branch of U.S. Military forces. The recipient must attend an accredited college, university, or vocational school. Applicants must write a constructed response - essay, describing what US citizenship means to you.
Carlson	Kate	2021 Laurie Beedle Memorial Scholarship \$2,000	This scholarship is presented by the James Beedle family in honor of Laurie Beedle, a 1978 graduate of Simley High School, who died in an airplane accident in April of 1984.
Cheyne	Anna	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation "Founders" Scholarship \$2,000	The Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation was started in partnership with ISD 199 Superintendent, Dr. W.A. Gessner and School Board Member Jill Lewis in 1985. The first three scholarships for Simley High School graduates were awarded in 1988 totaling \$2,000. The articles of incorporated were signed on April 1, 1992 by Dr. Gessner. Jill Lewis managed and organized all the details of the foundation for over 30 years. In honoring their partnership and dedication to the B.E.S.T. Foundation we have created two "Founders" Scholarships beginning in 2021. The mission of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation is to raise and award funds for post-secondary scholarships to Simley High School graduates. These two B.E.S.T. founders have impacted over 2700 Simley graduates with over \$3 million of scholarship funds.
Chowdhury	Shiraj	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.
Clevenger	Madison	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Coates	Sarah	2021 Midwest Vending Scholarship \$500	Each year Midwest Vending provides scholarships to graduating seniors in recognition of their leadership and involvement, community service and academic achievement.
Daniel	Melissa	2021 Dakota Electric Association Scholarship \$1,500	As a non-profit customer-owned electric cooperative, Dakota Electric Association returns all margins to its members in the form of capital credits. The unclaimed capital credits are distributed as scholarships to outstanding students who are graduating from the 15 schools in Dakota Electric's service area.
Eckstrom	Ryan	2021 Inver Grove Heights Heat Soccer Association Scholarship \$1,500	This scholarship has been established by the Inver Grove Heights Heat Soccer Association to recognize one female & one male soccer player based on leadership and involvement, community service and academic achievement. The recipient must have played with the Inver Grove Heights Heat for the past three consecutive summers. **In the event a male or female does not meet the playing soccer requirement the scholarship may not be awarded to 2 players of the same gender meeting the playing soccer requirement

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Engleson	Tate	2021 Simley Soccer Booster Scholarship \$1,000	Simley Soccer Boosters Scholarship is presented to a Simley a soccer player who has participated in Simley High School soccer.
Fischbach	Kirsten	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation ISD 199 Retiree Scholarship \$2,021	The ISD 199 Retiree Scholarship was created to provide honor current and past retirees of ISD 199 by friends, former students and community members. 2020 retirees include Christina Barbato, Barbara Burch, Fran Mountain, Deb Schmidt, Carolyn Ellison, Trudy Weis, Tammy Porto, Sherryl Seliga, Connie Schultz, David Halligen, Kathy Shoop and Paulette Anderson.
Friemann	Cayla	2021 Roberts Funeral Home Scholarship \$1,000	Roberts Funeral Home Scholarship is established by Roberts Funeral Home of Inver Grove Heights to recognize a senior on the basis of academic achievement and involvement in Simley's co-curricular activities and community involvement and service.
Gajadhar	Faith	2021 Flint Hills Resources Discovery Scholarship \$2,500	Flint Hills Resources believes that part of being a responsible community and environmental steward is to actively participate in the education of tomorrow's leaders. Flint Hills Resources' is commitment to adding value to the communities in which its employees live by awarding two scholarships to Simley seniors who are choosing a Business career path.
Garcia	Alejandro	2021 Jim Gahlon Memorial Scholarship \$500	The Jim Gahlon Memorial Scholarship is established in memory of Jim Gahlon, father of two Simley graduates. Jim passed away in 2015. His son Brian played Spartan Baseball, Football, and Basketball; Jim was always there to support Brian and his teammates.
Germaine	Nate	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Giese	Charles	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Grathen	Brekken	2021 Timothy John Beckmann Memorial Scholarship \$2,000	Timothy John Beckmann Memorial Endowed Scholarship is established in loving memory of Timothy John Beckmann by his family and friends. Tim, a 1993 graduate of Simley High School, is remembered for his good nature, kindness, quick wit and his swimming ability. Tim was active in cross country, band, National Honor Society, peer tutoring and swimming, where he was All State. Tim earned the rank of Eagle Scout. He graduated from St. John's University with honors and a degree in English Literature. He died in an automobile accident in November 1998. In Tim's honor this endowed scholarship was established for a Simley High School senior who plans to attend a four-year college or university, demonstrates leadership through scouts, church, or other community activities as testified by recommendations and their academic achievement and Simley co-curricular involvement. To receive this scholarship award, the recipient will need a C+ or better average for first semester at college.
Gustafson	Callie	2021 Friends of the Inver Glen Library Scholarship **Renewable \$6,000	This scholarship, which is renewable for up to three additional years, has been established by the Friends of the Inver Glen Library. The scholarship is designed to recognize a senior who has GPA of 3.00 or better and who intends to major in Elementary Education, or Secondary Education and promote English literacy as a teacher. The recipient must plan to attend an accredited two-year or four-year college or university. **Renewable Terms: May be renewed for up to 3 additional years. \$1500 per year will be paid to the university/college. Renewable with proof of enrollment and a transcript showing the recipient continues as an Elementary Education major or Secondary Education/English-Literacy major, and maintains a GPA of 2.75 or better.

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Hageman	Emily	2021 South St. Paul / Inver Grove Heights Rotary Scholarship \$2,000	This scholarship is presented by the South St. Paul - Inver Grove Heights - Rotary Club to promote community service. Rotary Club is a network of local business, governmental and non-profit leaders that put into action the words "Service above Self". By providing service, funds, leadership, and understanding Rotary Club members seek to make our community and the world a better place. Rotary's goal is to be a force for peace and understanding throughout the world and in our own community.
Hassing	Connor	2021 SKB Environmental, Inc. Achievement Scholarship \$1,000	SKB Environmental, Inc Achievement Scholarships to Simley seniors who demonstrate excellence in academics and Simley's co-curricular activities along with involvement in the community. SKB Environmental specializes in environmentally responsible disposal of industrial waste, construction and demolition waste.
Hatcher	Ben	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Heikkinen	Anja	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Hepper	Abby	2021 Kim Madigan Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	In loving memory, Kim's husband Mark and daughters Melissa and Sarah, have chosen to support Simley High School graduates with the Kim Madigan Memorial Scholarship. As the Activities Administrative Assistant, Kim had an impact on the students of Simley every single day. This scholarship continues that impact beyond the walls of Simley High School. #spartanstrong
Hernandez-Hernandez Diana		2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	These scholarships are given on behalf and in memory of a longtime Inver Grove Heights resident who was a husband, father, grandfather, small business owner, softball and hockey coach and a Simley Spartan booster fan. He valued hard work, determination and perseverance and it is in that spirit that this scholarship is awarded.
Hollanitsch	Sophia	2021 Simley Soccer Booster Scholarship \$1,000	Simley Soccer Boosters Scholarship is presented to a Simley soccer player who has participated in Simley High School soccer.
Honchell	Kathryn	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Iverson	Kjerstin	2021 Inver Grove Heights Education Minnesota College Scholarship \$1,500	Education Minnesota-Inver Grove Heights, our local teachers' union, has established this scholarship to recognize a senior based on his or her academic achievements, leadership, and good character. The recipient must plan to attend an accredited college and plan for a career in the field of education.

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Jacobson	Olivia	2021 Hrvatski Dom Memorial College Scholarship \$1,000	College Scholarship is given by the Hrvatski Dom Association (Croatian Hall). At the turn of the 20th century, thousands of Croatians and people of Slavic descent came to America. Many settled in this area. In memory of its deceased members, many of whom, as first and second generation Americans, placed great emphasis on education this scholarship is awarded in their honor.
Jeffers	Andrew	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.
Jie	Ethan	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Jiménez Mejía	Jorge	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	These scholarships are given on behalf and in memory of a longtime Inver Grove Heights resident who was a husband, father, grandfather, small business owner, softball and hockey coach and a Simley Spartan booster fan. He valued hard work, determination and perseverance and it is in that spirit that this scholarship is awarded.
Joyner	Kayla	2021 Friends of the Inver Glen Library Scholarship **Renewable \$6,000	This scholarship, which is renewable for up to three additional years, has been established by the Friends of the Inver Glen Library. The scholarship is designed to recognize a senior who has GPA of 3.00 or better and who intends to major in Elementary Education, or Secondary Education and promote English literacy as a teacher. The recipient must plan to attend an accredited two-year or four-year college or university. **Renewable Terms: May be renewed for up to 3 additional years. \$1500 per year will be paid to the university/college. Renewable with proof of enrollment and a transcript showing the recipient continues as an Elementary Education major or Secondary Education/English-Literacy major, and maintains a GPA of 2.75 or better.
Keke	Precious	2021 Michael J. Hoeft Scholarship \$500	This scholarship has been established in loving memory of Michael Hoeft through the support of many friends, family, and our community of Inver Grove Heights. Michael lived life to the fullest. He was a multi-sport athlete at Simley and participated in soccer, baseball, hockey, football, basketball, track, and wrestling. He was also active within the community and an avid outdoorsman enjoying fishing, hunting and skiing /snowboarding. Michael died in a car crash on Jan. 4, 2009. This scholarship is for a graduating senior who exemplifies leadership qualities through their daily actions and words. The recipient should be someone who can make a person smile, gives back to their community, and plans to further their education after high school.
Klint	Jacob	2021 American Legion Post 424 Technical College Scholarship \$3,000	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend a technical school.
Klint	Joshua	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Kneer	Amanda	2021 Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship has been established by the Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital to recognize a senior based on leadership and involvement, community service, and academic achievement and choosing a Health Care Program of Study. Inver Grove Heights Animal Hospital is proud to give back to the community that has trusted us to care for your pets for more than two decades.

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Koch	Matthew	2021 Allrounder Remodeling Inc. Scholarship \$2,000	This scholarship has been established by Allrounder Remodeling Inc. and is awarded to a Simley graduate who plans to attend a vocational, technical or community college or apprenticeship program with the intention of learning a skilled trade related to home building or remodeling.
Kolodziejski	Nicholas	2021 Jim & Jean Schultz Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	Jean and Jim Schultz loved running their family farm for 40+ years in Wisconsin. Jim's father ran the local ag cooperative for 60 years and his brothers also farmed and worked at the cooperative. Jim, his father and brothers were also hunters and enjoyed the outdoors. Thus, the Schultz family would love to help a student with an interest in agriculture and/or natural resources (i.e. environmental sciences). Helping students going into a vocational career would also please the family.
Kounlabout	Jessie	2021 Gallagher-Hansen VFW Post 295 and Auxiliary Scholarship \$500	The VFW's mission is to foster camaraderie among United States veterans of overseas conflicts. To serve our veterans, the military, our communities and to advocate on behalf of all veterans. In serving our community the Gallagher – Hansen VFW Post 295 and Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship is awarded to ensure the care of veterans and their family members. This scholarship has been established recognize a senior who plans to attend a two-year or four-year college or technical school.
Kropp	Kasey	2021 Kopp Family Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Kopp Family Foundation was founded with a primary emphasis to provide educational scholarships to young people who intend to pursue some type of higher education. The scholarships provide financial assistance and act as a forum for providing reinforcement to young people for exhibiting positive attributes.
Lanahan	Nathan	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.
Leenhavu	Honey	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Lopez	Sophia	2021 Doug Woog Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	Doug Woog was a teacher, guidance counselor and coach. He enjoyed being a part of students' lives and was always interested in helping students in a time of need. The Woog family is pleased to present this \$1000 scholarship to a 2021 Simley High School Senior.
Lopez	Jarexa	2021 Class of 1976 Memorial Scholarship \$500	This scholarship has been established by members of the Simley Class of 1976 in loving memory of our classmates who have passed away. They may be gone, but they are not forgotten. The recipient is kind and considerate to peers and school staff.
Makar	Marcelino	2021 Dakota Electric Association Scholarship \$1,500	As a non-profit customer-owned electric cooperative, Dakota Electric Association returns all margins to its members in the form of capital credits. The unclaimed capital credits are distributed as scholarships to outstanding students who are graduating from the 15 schools in Dakota Electric's service area.
Malave	Alexander	2021 Hrvatski Dom Memorial Technical College Scholarship \$1,000	Technical/vocational Scholarship is given by the Hrvatski Dom Association (Croatian Hall). At the turn of the 20th century, thousands of Croatians and people of Slavic descent came to America. Many settled in this area. In memory of its deceased members, many of whom, as first and second generation Americans, placed great emphasis on education this scholarship is awarded in their honor.
Mansour Abdelmessih	Albert	2021 American Legion Post 424 College Scholarship \$3,000	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School planning to attend a two-year or four-year college or university.
McGhee	Jeylan	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.

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McMonigal	Kayla	2021 Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation May Day 5K Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and supporters of the May Day 5K and host site supporter Inver Hills Community College will award this scholarship to a Simley High School graduate who plans to attend Inver Hills Community College.
McNally	Evan	2021 Inver Grove Heights Baseball Association Scholarship \$1,000	The mission of our program is to develop baseball players with good skills that will continue to develop to a level of excellence that will be passed on to our high school program. We develop players not only on the field but also instill a sense of responsibility and community pride in all players who participate. We promote strong character both on and off the field along with promoting good will among our teams and opponents. We insist on good sportsmanship and proper behavior. Most importantly, we want EVERYONE to have fun and enjoy their experience with our program.
McVay	Eryn	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Messiha	Sandra	2021 American Legion Post 424 Technical College Scholarship \$3,000	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend a technical school.
Miles	Emily	2021 Terry Lundell Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship is established in memory of Terry Lundell, a 1976 graduate of Simley High School by his family and friends. Terry worked his way through St. Thomas University and had a successful career in management at UPS. The recipient of this scholarship is employed and demonstrates a good work ethic with compassion, and is an outdoor enthusiast. Preference is given to a graduate planning to attend St. Thomas University.
Moen	Emma	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Moland	Mason	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Ngo	Tammy	2021 Jacob Lavoie Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	In memory of Jake Lavoie, a 2016 Simley graduate. His grades were important to him. He was on the baseball team all 4 years. He enjoyed his time with friends. He worked hard in college and would graduate in the spring of 2020 with a degree in Marketing Analytics from the Labovitz School of Business and Economics at the University of Minnesota-Duluth. We hope to give a little help to a student continuing their education after high school graduation.
Novotny	Morgan	2021 Gustafson Mangold Scholarship **Renewable \$2,000	This scholarship, which is renewable for an additional year, has been established by Patrick and Julie Gustafson. The Gustafson Mangold Scholarship has been established to recognize a male or female senior who has successfully balanced high school while maintaining above a C Average and participated in athletics in one of the following sports: Soccer, Track, Hockey or Golf and who plans to attend an accredited two or four-year college or university. **Renewable Terms: This scholarship is paid one half in freshman year and one half in sophomore year, subject to proof of a GPA of 2.0 or better. \$1,000 paid out first year and second year.

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Olaes	Dominick	2021 SKB Environmental, Inc. Environmental Scholarship \$1,000	SKB Environmental, Inc Environmental Scholarships to Simley seniors who demonstrate academic achievement, participation in Simley's co-curricular activities along with involvement in the community and a program of study in one of the following areas: Agriculture, Forestry, Biology, Chemistry, or Civil, Chemical or Environmental Engineering. SKB Environmental specializes in environmentally responsible disposal of industrial waste, construction and demolition waste.
Olson	Anna	2021 American Legion Post 424 College Scholarship \$3,000	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School planning to attend a two-year or four-year college or university.
Orn	Erin	2021 LeVander, Gillen & Miller Law Firm Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship has been established by the LeVander, Gillen & Miller Law Firm to recognize a senior based on leadership and involvement, community service and academic achievement. The recipient must plan to attend a two-year or four-year college or technical school.
Painter	Zachary	2021 Republic Services Environmental Scholarship \$2,500	Dedicated to making a difference in every community we serve, Republic Services has established two Environmental Scholarships. Republic Services, is guided by five essential core values – to be Respectful, Responsible, Reliable, Resourceful, and Relentless in all we do, every day. I and my co-workers are reminded of these principles every time they see the five R's joined together to form the Republic Services Star; reminding us to keep our customers at the heart of it all. Republic Services will provide scholarships to two Simley High School seniors who plan to attend accredited four-year institutions in pursuit of majors in engineering, physical sciences (chemistry, physics), or the environmental field. The scholarship will be awarded to seniors who have exhibited a commitment to community service activities, have a B average or better and have been involved in extra-curricular activities.
Pawlenty	Taylor	2021 Gerten Greenhouses Scholarship \$1,000	Gertens roots started almost 100 years ago, with growing vegetables. Gerten Greenhouses continue to follow the practices of growing a variety of quality plants, trees and shrubs. Gerten Greenhouses Awards a scholarship to recognize a Simley senior based on leadership and involvement, community service, and academic achievement and planning a career in Horticulture or Business.
Pearson	Jenna	2021 Republic Services Environmental Scholarship \$2,500	Dedicated to making a difference in every community we serve, Republic Services has established two Environmental Scholarships. Republic Services, is guided by five essential core values – to be Respectful, Responsible, Reliable, Resourceful, and Relentless in all we do, every day. I and my co-workers are reminded of these principles every time they see the five R's joined together to form the Republic Services Star; reminding us to keep our customers at the heart of it all. Republic Services will provide scholarships to two Simley High School seniors who plan to attend accredited four-year institutions in pursuit of majors in engineering, physical sciences (chemistry, physics), or the environmental field. The scholarship will be awarded to seniors who have exhibited a commitment to community service activities, have a B average or better and have been involved in extra-curricular activities.
Petryszyn	Brandon	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.

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Raab	Brittany	2021 Taylor-Rothlisburger Memorial Scholarship \$2,000 2018 Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation Academic Scholarship \$1,530	Taylor - Rothlisburger Memorial Scholarship is established by residents of Inver Grove Heights to provide financial assistance to a young woman in her third or fourth year of college in a Bachelor of Arts Degree Program Dorothy Taylor was the Chairperson of the Physics Department and Hazel Rothlisburger was the Chairperson of the Math Department at Iowa College in the mid 1960s. Both women were influential in encouraging women, in particular, to pursue careers in the "true sciences" of chemistry, physics and biology. In the spirit of Taylor and Rothlisburger, residents of Inver Grove Heights provide this scholarship to a female Simley graduate in her third year of college. The recipient is a full-time student in good academic standing with first preference given to a declared major in secondary education who will become a teacher of physics, mathematics, chemistry, computer science or biology. Second preference is given to a declared major in science or mathematics.
Roche	Sophia	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation "Founders" Scholarship \$2,000	The Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation was started in partnership with ISD 199 Superintendent, Dr. W.A. Gessner and School Board Member Jill Lewis in 1985. The first three scholarships for Simley High School graduates were awarded in 1988 totaling \$2,000. The articles of incorporated were signed on April 1, 1992 by Dr. Gessner. Jill Lewis managed and organized all the details of the foundation for over 30 years. In honoring their partnership and dedication to the B.E.S.T. Foundation we have created two "Founders" Scholarships beginning in 2021. The mission of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation is to raise and award funds for post-secondary scholarships to Simley High School graduates. These two B.E.S.T. founders have impacted over 2700 Simley graduates with over \$3 million of scholarship funds.
Rogers	Brynn	2021 Inver Grove Heights Community Service Scholarship \$1,500	This scholarship is established by Joe and Julia Atkins. Both, Simley graduates who received scholarships when they graduated from Simley High School.
Roubik	Jenna	2021 Spirit of Simley Scholarship Award \$1,500	This scholarship is awarded to a graduating Simley student that has successfully maintained a 3.0 GPA while employed and demonstrating a commitment to their community through volunteer activities.
Rud	Elise	2021 Simley Varsity Basketball Booster Scholarship \$2,000	Simley Varsity Basketball Boosters Scholarship is presented to a Simley a basketball player who demonstrates academic achievement and actively involved in Simley High School basketball. This scholarship is presented to a Simley basketball player who has participated in Simley High School basketball multiple years, including their senior year.
Ryan	Zach	2021 Xcel Energy Scholarship \$1,000	Xcel Energy provides gas and electric energy to the community, and is pleased to support bright young minds pursuing education in energy generation, energy distribution, environmental sciences, or electrical line work and maintenance.
Sanchez	Rosaleah	2021 Loyal Order of Moose South St. Paul Lodge 1088 Scholarship \$1,000	Loyal Order of Moose, South St. Paul Lodge 1088, is an organization dedicated to caring for young and old, bringing communities closer together and celebrating life.
Scheffley	Sam	2021 Kopp Family Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Kopp Family Foundation was founded with a primary emphasis to provide educational scholarships to young people who intend to pursue some type of higher education. The scholarships provide financial assistance and act as a forum for providing reinforcement to young people for exhibiting positive attributes.
Sherry	Isabel	2021 Don Roberts Scholarship \$1,000	This endowed scholarship has been established by the students, athletes, friends and family of Don Roberts. An outstanding and beloved teacher and coach, Don Roberts retired in 1987 after nearly three decades at Simley High School, during which time he was the head basketball coach for 22 years, an assistant football coach for 27 years, and an assistant track and baseball coach. After retiring, Don chaired the IGH B.E.S.T. Foundation's Golf Tournament every year for over 25 years to raise money for scholarships at Simley, and continued to serve our community in numerous ways. The scholarship is designed to recognize a student athlete who expects to become a teacher and coach. The recipient must plan to attend a two- or four-year college or university.

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Smith	Cameron	2021 Bremer Community Service Award \$1,000	This award has been established by Bremer Bank to recognize a senior who has actively demonstrated leadership and citizenship qualities through community service. Bremer Bank's vision is to strengthen communities with a mission to build trusted long-term relationships with small and mid-size businesses and individuals to help them achieve their goals. Bremer values leadership and citizenship qualities through community service.
Smith	Blair	2021 Francis and Patricia Biljan Memorial Scholarship \$600	The Francis and Patricia Biljan Memorial Scholarship is established in loving memory of Francis and Patricia Biljan for their children attended Simley High School.
Smith	McKenna	2021 Flint Hills Resources Discovery Scholarship \$2,500	Flint Hills Resources believes that part of being a responsible community and environmental steward is to actively participate in the education of tomorrow's leaders. Flint Hills Resources' is commitment to adding value to the communities in which its employees live by awarding two scholarships to Simley seniors who are choosing a Business career path.
Soule	Zachary	2021 Marty Platek Memorial Football Scholarship . ** Renewable \$4,000	This scholarship has been established in loving memory of Martin E. Platek (Marty) by his family and continues thanks to the support of both his family and friends. Marty was a 2006 graduate of Simley High School. He is still remembered for his loyalty and kindness to his family and his friends. Marty was very active and loved playing sports, but fishing was his passion. He played defensive back and special teams for the Spartan football team. He was selected All Conference both his junior and senior years and was the team captain his senior year. He played football for three years with the Blue Devils at the University Wisconsin, Stout while majoring in Business Administration. He was planning to run his dad's business someday. Marty died in a snowmobile accident in January 2009. Scholarship: Up to \$4,000* **Renewable Terms: May be renewed annually for up to three additional years providing recipient maintains positive academic standing at post-secondary. *\$1,000 per year for up to 4 years; renewable with proof of enrollment and a transcript.
Spiewak	Grace	2021 James Drexler Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	James Drexler Memorial Scholarship is presented on behalf of his family. James Drexler was one of the founding staff members at Simley. He was a teacher, counselor, and dean of students from 1960 to his retirement in 1985. The passion of his career was helping his students and he always strove to support each one to become their own special person. He felt blessed with the opportunity to teach so many. When he passed away at age 87 in May 2014, he was still worried about those he could not reach. For this reason, we his children, decided to try and continue to help and support students from Simley with this scholarship.
Staples	Madison	2021 Joni Stanton Memorial Scholarship \$2,000	Joni Stanton Memorial Scholarship is established in loving memory of Joni Stanton by her family and friends. Joni was an elementary teacher in Inver Grove Heights for 25 years; 1970 to 2006 and loved by her students. In honor of Joni and her love of encouraging and teaching children this scholarship is awarded to a Simley senior whose program of study is Education.
Stein	Molly	2021 David Phillips Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	Established in memory of David Phillips by his family and friends. This scholarship is awarded to a Simley graduate planning a career in health care or nursing.
Stickney	Faith	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.
Sutton	Maggie	2021 Susan A. Gudden Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship \$1,000	Susan A. Gudden Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship is established by Susan Gudden's family and friends to honor her memory. Sue was an elementary teacher for almost 30 years, the majority of which were in Inver Grove Heights Public Schools. Susan A. Gudden Memorial Law Enforcement Scholarship is established by Susan Gudden's family and friends to honor her memory. Sue was an elementary teacher for almost 30 years, the majority of which were in Inver Grove Heights Public Schools. Sue died in 2009 from metastatic breast cancer and the complications that followed.

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Sutton	Kyanna	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.
Tabor	Bennett	2021 SKB Environmental, Inc. Environmental Scholarship \$1,000	SKB Environmental, Inc Environmental Scholarships to Simley seniors who demonstrate academic achievement, participation in Simley's co-curricular activities along with involvement in the community and a program of study in one of the following areas: Agriculture, Forestry, Biology, Chemistry, or Civil, Chemical or Environmental Engineering. SKB Environmental specializes in environmentally responsible disposal of industrial waste, construction and demolition waste.
Taufen	Natalie	2021 Susan A. Gudden Memorial Elementary Education Scholarship \$1,000	Susan A. Gudden Memorial Elementary Education Scholarship is established by Susan Gudden's family and friends to honor her memory. Sue was an elementary teacher for almost 30 years, the majority of which were in Inver Grove Heights Public Schools. Sue died in 2009 from metastatic breast cancer and the complications that followed.
Thibodeau	Sienna	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Velazquez	Andy	2021 John Weber Memorial Scholarship \$500	This scholarship is presented by the Weber family in memory of their son and brother John, a 1986 Simley graduate. The scholarship will be given to a senior who plans to attend a technical school with a preferred, but not required, major in auto mechanics, or who plans to attend a two-year community college.
Vitch	Kaylen	2021 Cahill Dental Care Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship was established by Cahill Dental Care, and Dentist: Dr. Carrie Peroutka, Dr. Shahir Malek, Dr. Kate Gerber and Dr. Lauren Asp. Practicing a full scope of general, pediatric, and specialty dentistry, Cahill Dental Care, seeks to encourage a Simley graduate to pursue a career in the dental or health science field.
Von Berge	Brooklyn	2021 Bituminous Roadways, Inc. Scholarship \$2,000	This scholarship has been established by Bituminous Roadways, Inc., to recognize a senior based on academic achievement, leadership and involvement, and community service. The recipient must plan to attend a two-year or four-year college or technical school. Bituminous Roadways provides superior pavements. With a focus on green and eco-friendly techniques, Bituminous Roadways provides Minnesota with quality highways, parking lots, recreational surfaces and many other projects.
Vujovich	Ben	2021 Key Community Bank Scholarship \$1,000	This scholarship has been established by Key Community Bank. Community is in our name. Key Community Bank is committed to our surrounding communities and the ideal that if our community is healthy and strong, we will be too. This scholarship recognizes a senior on the basis of leadership and involvement, community service, and academic achievement.
Wanger	Mathew	2021 Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation Scholarship \$1,000	The Inver Grove Heights BEST Foundation was created to provide scholarships for students graduating from Simley High School. On Behalf of friends of the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation and sponsors and supporters of three fundraising events throughout the year; the May Day 5K, the Benefit Golf Tournament and the FUNdraiser Dinner and Silent Auction. These scholarships will be presented to Simley seniors who have exhibited involvement in Simley's extra-curricular activities.
Warrick	Justin	2021 SKB Environmental, Inc. Achievement Scholarship \$1,000	SKB Environmental, Inc Achievement Scholarships to Simley seniors who demonstrate excellence in academics and Simley's co-curricular activities along with involvement in the community. SKB Environmental specializes in environmentally responsible disposal of industrial waste, construction and demolition waste.

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Waska	Joseph	2021 Glen H. Kruize Jr. Memorial Scholarship \$1,000	<p>This scholarship has been established in loving memory of Glen Kruize Jr. by his parents, Glen and Pat, and his sister Bonnie, as well as family and friends. Glen was a 1985 Simley graduate who died from heart disease in 1990. While at Simley, Glen was very active in the Jazz, Concert and Marching Bands.</p> <p>This scholarship will be given to a senior who has been active in band at Simley and who plans to attend a two-year or four-year college or technical school.</p>
Wormer	Griffin	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.
Zellner	Delaney	2021 American Legion Post 424 Post-Secondary Scholarship \$1,500	American Legion Post 424 has donated funds to the Inver Grove Heights B.E.S.T. Foundation to provide scholarships for the students of Simley High School who plan to attend post secondary schools.