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MES FOUNDATION PROVIDES \$210,000 TO MAINE STUDENTS

Alfred, Maine - July 11, 2022 – MES Foundation (MES) announced today the winners of the Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship, which totaled \$210,000 in awards to 12 Maine students. Established in honor of MES founder, Dick Pierce, who passed away in 2011, this scholarship is awarded based on distinguished academic merit and financial need.

“I am so thankful for everyone that has helped to make the Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship possible,” said scholarship winner Julia Benson. Julia is a graduate from Camden Hills Regional High School and will be attending the Southern Maine Community College. “It is organizations like MES that help make it possible for students like me to be able to pay for the education necessary to work in lower paying fields like public safety and paramedicine.”

Julia plans to work at a local fire station, while continuing her education in fire science and emergency medical services. Her long-term goal is to graduate debt free and eventually becoming a life flight paramedic.

MES will accept on-line scholarship applications beginning January 1, 2023 through April 1, 2023 for the 2023/2024 academic year at www.mesfoundation.org.

Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship Winners:

4 Year Renewable \$5,000 Scholarship

- Julia Benson – Camden Hills Regional High School
- Morgan Bill – Noble High School
- Ashleigh Daniels – Portland High School
- Katherine Hallee – Oxford Hills High School
- Delia Harms – Massabesic High School
- Jonah Lovejoy – Belfast Area High School
- Donna Nadeau – Cony High School
- Mackenzie Roderick – Erskine Academy
- Tristan Seavey – Calais High School
- Madison Shorey – Belfast Area High School

One-time \$5,000 Scholarship

- Emma Dawson-Webb – Robert W. Traip Academy
- Misty Limeburner – Blue Hill Harbor School

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