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MES FOUNDATION PROVIDES \$550,000 TO MAINE STUDENTS

Alfred, Maine - August 28, 2018 – After just two years of providing scholarships to Maine students, MES Foundation (MES) has awarded \$550,000 among 25 winners of the Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship and the MES Foundation Scholarship.

In July, the Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship provided ten, 2018 Maine high school graduates \$5,000 towards their 2018/2019 post-secondary education. Established in honor of MES founder, Dick Pierce, who passed away in 2011, the scholarship is awarded based on distinguished academic merit and financial need. The Pierce Scholarship is renewable for up to four years.

“At graduation, I was blown away when my name was announced as one of the winners of the Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship,” said Nicole Dunton, a recent graduate from Hampden Academy. “This scholarship is a huge reason why I am able to pursue a nursing degree at Husson University.”

The MES Board of Directors also selected three Maine residents to receive the MES Foundation Scholarship in the amount of \$5,000, renewable for up to two years.

“Our goal is to help alleviate some of the financial burden placed on Maine students and their families, while they pursue a post-secondary education,” said MES Foundation President Darren Hurlburt. “We are proud to invest in the education of these outstanding students.”

Beginning in January 2019, scholarship applications for the 2019/2020 academic year will be available online at www.mesfoundation.org.

2018 Richard H. Pierce Memorial Scholarship Winners:

Nicole Dunton – Hampden Academy
Michaela Flanders – Marshwood High School
Olivia Gervais – Wisdom High School
Jordon Gregory – Poland Regional High School
Heather Howard – Fryeburg Academy
Sarah Meyer-Waldo – Morse High School
Sophie Moore – Maine School of Science and Mathematics
Chad Palmer – Kents Hill School
Morgan Pike – Massabesic High School
Lily Tedford – Maine School of Science and Mathematics





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2018 MES Foundation Scholarship Winners:

Andrea Fitzherbert – Northern Maine Community College

Joshua Quist – Caribou High School

Adam Stetson – Penquis Valley High School

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