

BCC Foundation to host reception honoring recipients of Presidential Honors Scholarship

October 6, 2015

SUNY Broome President Dr. Kevin Drumm announced the College will host a reception honoring sixteen new recipients of the Presidential Honors Scholarship at **5 p.m., Wednesday, October 7, 2015, in the Klee Center of the Decker Building.**

A record number of 16 recipients were selected and demonstrate great potential to excel both inside and outside of the classroom, become engaged in campus-related activities, and emerge as student leaders. SUNY Broome has become their first choice, as these students are among the best and brightest in the area.

<u>The new recipients are:</u>	<u>High School</u>
<i>Ishaq Ahmad</i>	<i>Binghamton High School</i>
<i>Ellen Armstrong</i>	<i>Vestal High School</i>
<i>Ashlyn Decker</i>	<i>Bainbridge-Guilford High School</i>
<i>Mariah Fredenburg</i>	<i>Central Baptist Christian Academy</i>
<i>Scott Gardner</i>	<i>Owego Free Academy</i>
<i>Emily Gibson</i>	<i>Seton Catholic Central High School</i>
<i>Zane Johnson</i>	<i>Spencer Van-Etten High School</i>
<i>Jared Leonard</i>	<i>Deposit High School</i>
<i>Ryan McMahon</i>	<i>Harpursville High School</i>
<i>Megan Pessarchick</i>	<i>Windsor High School</i>
<i>Jacob Rossie</i>	<i>Chenango Valley High School</i>
<i>Stella Safari</i>	<i>Johnson City High School</i>

Tanner Schunk *Sidney High School*

Taylor Thomas *Chenango Forks High School*

Kathryn Wills *Binghamton High School*

Bryan Ziegler *Maine-Endwell High School*

There were nearly 70 applicants from Broome, Chenango, Delaware, and Tioga County high schools. The current recipient scholars had completed a rigorous academic curriculum in high school which included AP, Honors, and college coursework.

In addition to graduating in the top 10% of their class, the PHS Scholars, like their predecessors, are very active members in their high schools, and on campus and in their community endeavors (part-time employment, community service, academic clubs, National Honor Society, mentoring/tutoring programs, athletics, etc.).

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If you are a Broome or Tioga County high school senior interested in applying for the next round of Presidential Honors Scholarships or for more information on the program, please contact SUNY Broome's Admissions Office at (607) 778-5001 or the BCC Foundation at (607) 778-5047.

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