

CENTRAL VIRGINIA STUDENTS RECEIVE MULTIPLE SCHOLARSHIPS

Recently, 50 students from the Central Virginia Area School Systems wowed GRASP (GReat Aspirations Scholarship Program, Inc.) with inspirational essays, impressive credentials and commitment to their futures. Their efforts and dedication to their academic and community involvement impressed GRASP and were rewarded with scholarships donated from organizations including MeadWestvaco, Highwoods Properties, Virginia State Police, and WaWa, as well as local private donors. The following Central Virginia students from Charles City, Chesterfield, Goochland, Hanover, Henrico, New Kent, and Powhatan Counties, and the City of Richmond will receive scholarship money to help meet the expense of attending their desired colleges. Awards ranging from \$500 to \$2,000, totaling over \$30,150 in scholarships, were awarded to the following students:

Matthew Anderson - Freeman	Eric Lawler – New Kent
James Aschenbach – Lee Davis	Ariana Lemus – Thomas Dale
Jamar Banks – Maggie Walker	Cadence Martin – LC Bird
Dominique Bennett – Deep Run	Katherine McCrea – Northstar
Faith Bridges - Hermitage	Myranda Morris – Clover Hill
Anthony Briggs – VA Home for Boys	Brianna Muniz - Manchester
Lauren Brown – Lee Davis	Tabittha Needham – Goochland
Tychelle Brown – Thomas Jefferson	Burson Neko
Janae Cherry - Meadowbrook	David Ngo – J.R. Tucker
Jonathan Cherry - Varina	Tyrell Noel – Northstar Academy
Shikera Clay - Meadowbrook	Jessica Polk – James River
Heather Coldwell - Hanover	Keisha Rhoades-White – Highland Springs
Wright Cortez – John Marshall	Andrea Sanders - Godwin
Lakesha Conway - Goochland	Abdul Sheikh – VA Home for Boys
Erika Davis – Midlothian	Erin Shupe – Clover Hill
Heather Dadrick - Goochland	Carter Slough - Freeman
Kenneth Gilliam - Matoaca	Joel Simmons – George Wythe
Amber Harrison – Goochland	Jonathan Smith - Huguenot
Ashley Harper – Hanover	Crispen Stanbach – Powhatan
Hannah Hopper - Manchester	Allyson Toney - Cosby
Tiffany Hugh-Sam - Monacan	Alyssa Watson - Atlee
Terrell Fowler -- Armstrong	Jawad Whadbzada - Henrico
Jamar Jones - Meadowbrook	Kenneth Whitescarver - Godwin
Felicia Jefferson – Charles City	Meghan Willis – Patrick Henry
Man Yang Kher – VA Home for Boys	Jordan Yoder - Freeman

GReat Aspiration Scholarship Program (GRASP) is a non-profit organization that provides 38 schools in the Central Virginia Area with weekly advisors. GRASP, through its in-high school student advising, tries to instill a “college-going culture” in students, by assisting students with the development of an educational game plan for after high school and helping them secure the associated funding. By creatively packaging financial aid and providing the motivation and assistance needed, GRASP helps students, particularly those from low income families, to obtain an education after high school. In addition, GRASP provides, “last dollar” scholarships for deserving students in need. A post secondary education is the inevitable ticket to a better future.

GRASP is very proud of these scholars and knows that they will have bright and successful futures. We wish these students well in their endeavors and want them to remember - nothing is out of reach and that there are “infinite opportunities.”

For more information on GRASP, visit www.GRASP4Virginia.com or call the hotline at 804-323-6996.