

2018 REPORT OF THE EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chair: John Paluch
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The committee members reviewed the scholarship offerings this past fall and feel that these scholarship categories allow the SBS to support students in the Chicago Public Schools, students of Swiss heritage and children interested in language and culture in Illinois, Indiana and Wisconsin. We are pleased to be able to support education. The SBS awarded **\$35,130** in scholarship money to grade school, high school and college students during the 2018-2019 academic year.

OUR THREE SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAMS

Merit Scholarships

Merit Scholarships support highly qualified, low-income students in Chicago Public Schools with plans to study at a four-year college. We awarded a total of four scholarships of \$2000, two to students at Lane Tech College Prep, one to a student at Gwendolyn Brooks College Preparatory Academy, and one to a student at George Westinghouse College Prep, for a total of **\$8,000**.

Language Immersion Scholarships for Concordia Language Villages

The SBS offers one-week scholarships to the Concordia Language Villages to grade school and high school students in Illinois, Wisconsin and Indiana. This year there were 36 applications for scholarships: 20 applications for German, 15 for French and 1 for Italian. We provided scholarships to four French students, five German students and one Italian student. Once again, we offered both the Northern Illinois AATG and the Chicago Area AATF with two-week scholarships for their testing & awards programs, but only the AATG was able to make use of the scholarship this year. The SBS provided **\$9,130** and Concordia provided **\$2,780** towards the total scholarship cost of **\$11,910**.

Undergraduate College Support Scholarships

The Undergraduate College Support Scholarships provide support to students of Swiss heritage. There were 20 applicants and winners this year: eight in Category I (Seniors in High School), seven in Category II (Freshmen in College), and five in Category III (Sophomores or Juniors in College). The total amount of scholarships awarded was **\$18,000**.

All 2018-2019 winners are listed here and on the SBS web page at: <http://www.sbschicago.org>. Applications for the 2019-20 year scholarships are available on our webpage directly or through e-mail or regular mail.

Respectfully submitted,
March 18, 2019

John Paluch
Chair, Education Committee

Excerpts of Thank you Notes from Scholarship Recipients:

. . . This past year at U of I was exciting but also humbling . . . There were many late nights of hard work but also lots of laughs with new friends and rewarding satisfaction, with my hard work paying off during exams . . . Your scholarship has helped me continue my studies, and for that I am so grateful . . .

Thank you so much for believing in me, and helping me further my education. . . . Thank you so much for the award! I am very excited to attend Waldsee and improve my language skills. . . . We just shared this information with our son. He is over the moon!!!! So are we! Wow!!! Thank you!

2018 WINNERS OF THE SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

WINNERS OF THE *MERIT* SCHOLARSHIP 2018/2019 (\$2000 each)

Croom, Sabrina K. (Purdue University)	Gwendolyn Brooks College Prep Academy
Nolan, Juliana S. (University of IL Urbana)	George Westinghouse College Prep
Pugh, Amber A. (University of Southern CA)	Lane Tech College Prep High School
Ruiz, Edgar (De Paul University)	Lane Tech College Prep High School

WINNERS OF THE *COLLEGE SUPPORT* SCHOLARSHIP 2018/2019

GROUP I – High School Seniors

Ammon, Mary E.	\$1,000	Gerstbrein, Nicolas J.	\$ 750
Jaeggin, Matthew T.	\$1,000	Leman, Milan CH.	\$ 750
Masquelier, Max J.	\$1,000	Renwick, Sean J.	\$1,000
Rohner, Claudia H.	\$1,000	Saxe, Stephanie L.	\$ 750

GROUP II - Freshmen

Faessler, Erik M.	\$1,000	Klaus, Matthew R.	\$1,000
Kovach, Nicholas A	\$1,000	Kovach, Stephen J.	\$1,000
Mark, Skyler A.	\$ 750	Moser, Jacome	\$ 750
Wuethrich, Lea E.	\$ 750		

GROUP III – Juniors & Sophomores

Douglass, Noelle K.	\$1,000	Guercio, Sabrina J.	\$1,000
Joens, Alexnder M.	\$ 750	Rykowski, Peter J.	\$1,000
Shotton, Jared L.	\$ 750		

CONCORDIA LANGUAGE VILLAGE AWARDS SUMMER 2018

1-Week \$830 each / 2-Weeks \$1020 each

GERMAN – 1 Week

Bowman, Paige
Faulkner, Marissa
Jaeger, Monica
Mattson, Brock
Schroeder, Rika

FRENCH – 1 Week

Crooks, Maysa
Pecore, Ava
Skura, Linea
Zuniga, Adriana

ITALIAN – 1 Week

Lindgren, Sofia

AATG–German 2-Weeks

Rush, Richard