

Congratulations to the 2021 RWSPEA Edward Hoffman Scholarship Winners!

Each recipient will receive a \$750 scholarship.



Brooke DeRuwe

My name is Brooke DeRuwe and I was raised in a law enforcement family. My dad spent 25 years with the Washington State Patrol and my mom spent 25 years with Spokane Police Department. I am very grateful to have two strong, dedicated, and hard working parents who have taught me to have a strong moral character and pursue my dreams.

In the fall, I will be entering my junior year at the University of Montana working towards a Bachelor of Science degree in Environmental Science with a minor in Climate Change Studies. While in Missoula, I stay busy as a tour guide, orientation leader, student ambassador for the WA Franke College of Forestry and Conversation and an executive committee member for the Climate Response Club. My passion and dedication in protecting the planet has encouraged me to gain experience in the marine conservation field. In fact, when I got the call telling me I was awarded this scholarship, I was in Sarasota, Florida working as an intern with a marine laboratory. I spent the summer protecting sea turtle nests and hatchlings along the Gulf of Mexico.

I am so grateful to have been awarded this scholarship and appreciate the support from the Retired Washington State Patrol Employees Association.

Brooke DeRuwe
Daughter of Retired Trooper Detective Darin DeRuwe



Graysen Swanson

My name is Graysen Swanson, and I will be attending Seattle Pacific University this fall as a sophomore. I am double majoring in physiology and honors liberal arts with plans to attend dental school after I earn my bachelor's degree. I love being able to help others which is why I am excited for my future career as a dentist, where I will be able to give people the smiles that they deserve

Graysen Swanson
Daughter of Retired Trooper Jeff Swanson



McKenna Swindell

I am sincerely honored to have been selected as one of the recipients of the Edward Hoffman scholarship through the RWSPEA.

Thanks in part to your scholarship, I will be attending Grand Canyon University this Fall and plan to major in Early Childhood Education/Special Education. I look forward to returning to Washington State to serve my community as a Special Education Educator. My goal is to work with students living with Autism to help them reach their full potential.

Thank you again for your generosity and support.

McKenna Swindell
Granddaughter of Retired Detective Sergeant Jim Baldwin
Selah, WA



Drew Grimstead

Hey, I'm Drew, a junior studying Informatics with a minor in nutrition science at the University of Washington. I wish to use software development to make the lives of others more fulfilling. I also enjoy playing basketball and assembling custom computers in my spare time.

Drew Grimstead
Grandson of Retired Sergeant Rick Grimstead