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Appleton Wisconsin Students Receive Largest Ever Friend of Junior Achievement Scholarships

MILWAUKEE, WISCONSIN – An anonymous donor has provided funding for the Friend of Junior Achievement Scholarship for the past eight years, an award that is administered from the Junior Achievement state headquarters in Milwaukee, Wisconsin. As the multi-year scholarship donation expires in 2022, the donor has chosen two Appleton, Wisconsin students to receive sizable scholarships for post-secondary education.

Wyatt Barker was awarded a \$20,000 scholarship. He will attend University of Minnesota in Minneapolis, Minnesota. A \$12,000 scholarship was given to Hannah Havel, who will attend Northern Illinois University. The scholarship winners were judged on an essay they wrote about their participation or volunteer time in a Junior Achievement financial literacy, entrepreneurship, or career readiness program.

The mission of Junior Achievement of Wisconsin (JA) is to inspire and prepare young people to succeed. JA recruits and trains community volunteers to teach K-12 students about financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and work readiness. JA programs teach students the skills to break the chains of poverty, achieve their educational goals, and aspire to a career where they will excel.

Anyone interested in becoming a Junior Achievement volunteer can find information on the organization's website at https://wisconsin.ja.org/volunteer/index.

About Junior Achievement of Wisconsin

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to providing young people with the skills and confidence to own their economic future and contribute to the economic viability of their families, communities, and country. Junior Achievement's programs - in the core pathways of career readiness, entrepreneurship, and financial literacy - ignite the spark in young people to experience and realize the opportunities and realities of tomorrow's workplace. Over the past 5 years, the twelve area offices of Junior Achievement of Wisconsin have used a dedicated core of more than 8,000 volunteer mentors to serve an average of 141,000 students per year.