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Two Scholarships Open for Dane County High School Seniors

MONONA, WISCONSIN - High School seniors in Dane County are invited to apply for two undergraduate study scholarships awarded by the Junior Achievement of Wisconsin - South Central Region office in Monona, Wisconsin.

The Vernon J. Hellenbrand was created to honor the past President and CEO of Research Products Corporation. Vernon J. Hellenbrand had a long-standing role in the Madison business community, helping connect business leaders to the educational community. This scholarship was developed in cooperation with Research Products Corporation Healthy Air brand: AprilAire, Junior Achievement of Wisconsin – South Central Wisconsin, and the Madison business community. The scholarship fund is managed by the Madison Community Foundation.

The purpose of the \$1,000 scholarship is to provide financial support for individuals seeking to focus their post-secondary education on business, finance, or entrepreneurship. Applicants for the Vernon J. Hellenbrand scholarship must be on track to graduate during the current term from a school in Dane County. In addition, the scholarship winner must be eligible for admission to an accredited technical school or college where the student will pursue courses toward an associate or bachelor's degree.

The Lyda M. Locke Scholarship was created to recognize the inspiration Lyda M. Locke was to her family. Her values and dedication to family led her to ensure her children had the education they needed to be successful in life. Lyda M. Locke was the mother of E. David Locke, former CEO of McFarland State Bank and current Board Member of One Community Bank. He was encouraged by his mother to pursue entrepreneurship and financial literacy through Junior Achievement programs during high school. E. David Locke has said, many times publicly, "Junior Achievement changed my life."

A \$1,000 scholarship will be awarded to a Dane County high school senior who is eligible to graduate during the current school term from a Dane County high School. In addition, they must have participated in at least one Junior Achievement school classroom program and be eligible for admission to an accredited technical school or college where they will pursue an associate or bachelor's degree in business, finance, or banking.

The deadline for both scholarships is April 30, 2023. Selection of the scholarship winners is based on the quality of their applications and not on financial need. A link to both scholarship applications can be found on the Junior Achievement - South Central Region website at <u>JA of Wisconsin scholarships</u>. Both scholarships are paid directly to the technical school or college on behalf of the scholarship winners.