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## Anne Arundel County Scholarship Program Awards Over \$3M to Outstanding Scholars

Scholarships For Scholars celebrates 38th year of recognizing academic excellence

Scholarships for Scholars announced today that on Monday, May 16 at 7:00 pm at the 38<sup>th</sup> Annual Awards Ceremony at the Chesapeake Arts Center, the organization will grant \$202,000 to 36 outstanding students representing 13 public and private county high schools. Scholarships for Scholars has awarded over \$3M in scholarships to over 1,000 graduating high school seniors since its inception in 1984. The program recognizes Anne Arundel County students who demonstrate exceptional scholastic achievement overall and in subjects such as English, social sciences, STEM, world classical languages, performing arts, and visual arts.

The awards ceremony also features distinguished representatives from area organizations and families who are sponsoring scholarships, entrusting Scholarships for Scholars to manage awards on their behalf: Anne Arundel Retired School Personnel Association, Bo's Effort- Erasing the Stigma of Mental Health Through Awareness, Crosby Marketing Communications, Rotary Club of South Anne Arundel County, the Shane A. Morris II Family, Shore United Bank, and the Zach Schwartz Family. Also, Dr. Maureen McMahon, Deputy Superintendent of Anne Arundel County Public Schools, will be the keynote speaker.

Aaban Syed, of North County High School, received the top overall award - the Edward J. Anderson Scholarship, named in honor of the program's founder - for the most outstanding application of the year. Ranked first in his high school class, Aaban is a scientist, mathematician, engineer, and man of business, who brings a sustained level of excellence to all that he does. Aaban is also citizen of the community who has found inventive ways to merge his technical savvy with acts of service: modifying bicycles to assist disabled riders, consulting with a 4-H Aerospace Workshop on the ins and outs of rocket safety, and readying Personal Protective Equipment for medical professionals during an international health crisis. Aaban will attend the California Institute of Technology and plans to major in mechanical, electrical, or bioengineering.

"On behalf of the Board of Trustees and our sponsors, it is such an honor to award these scholarships to the terrific Anne Arundel County graduates. These students have again demonstrated exemplary academic and civic accomplishments, and we continue to be in awe of these scholars who exhibit outstanding leadership and service to their schools and communities," said Jeanne Shaw, Chairman, Board of Trustees. "We are also grateful for the generous endowment our organization was fortunate to receive from the George and Ruth Tormey Trust, which will allow us to grant additional scholarships to the students for many, many years to come."

Applications for 2023 graduates will be available on October 15, 2022 at www.scholarshipsforscholars.org.

Scholarships for Scholars, Inc., is a nonprofit organization rewarding scholastic excellence. The scholarships are awarded to graduating high school seniors who are Anne Arundel County residents attending public and private schools in Anne Arundel County and home-schooled students registered with the Anne Arundel County Board of Education. Students use the awards toward tuition, fees, and books at community colleges, four-year colleges or universities, and private trade and technical institutions of their choice.