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Business Awards Scholarships to Business-Minded Grads

22 graduating seniors receive scholarships from CB Merchant Services

Twenty-two graduates interested in pursuing careers in business have help obtaining their goals with the 2014-2015 CB Merchant Services Business Scholarship.

CB Merchant Services donated \$11,000 for the scholarships paid out through the San Joaquin County Office of Education Educational Foundation.

The scholarship is shared among 22 participating high schools in San Joaquin County where one student from each high school is nominated for a \$500 scholarship.

Scholarship winners earned their awards by showing an interest in business.

The award criteria specify the graduating senior must show interest in pursuing a college education or advanced training in the field of business or a business-related major. In addition to the desire to major in business, the student should have demonstrated the ability, interest and enthusiasm for the field of business as a high school student. This could have been accomplished in a high school class, through employment or by individual entrepreneurship.

It is the hope of CB Merchant Services that this donation will assist students in obtaining further education that will ultimately contribute to the population of responsible business people in San Joaquin County communities.

The generous contribution shows CB Merchant Services' continued choice to promote education and benefits to local high school youth.

This year, the awardees are:

- Thomas Thrush, Jr., Bear Creek High School
- Erandi Albor, Cesar Chavez High School
- Matthew Bacuyani, East Union High School



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- Alexander Woods, Edison High School
- Shelby Cornett, Escalon High School
- Adriana Ozornio Caballero, Franklin High School
- Kshitij Shah, John C. Kimball High School
- Michael Li, Lathrop High School
- Mark Russell, Lincoln High School
- Emilia Garliepp, Linden High School
- Jahred Nunes, Lodi High School
- Christopher Iorio, Manteca High School
- Christian Barrios, Merrill F. West High School
- Amandip Singh, Ripon High School
- Alexis Lee, Ronald E. McNair High School
- Jakob Gallagher, Sierra High School
- Michelle McGuire, St. Mary's High School
- · Ali Khan, Stagg High School
- Wilhem Kautz, Tokay High School
- Salma Price, Tracy High School
- Jonathon Mendez, Venture Academy Family of Schools
- Edgar Huizar, Weston Ranch High School

For more information on the CB Merchant Services Business Scholarship, please contact Sarah Almquist in the SJCOE Administration Office at salmquist@sjcoe.net.

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