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WFCU Credit Union's 2017 Harold Hewitt Scholarship Recipients Announced

On Thursday November 9th, WFCU Credit Union announced the recipients of the 2017 Harold Hewitt Scholarship (HHS). Twenty-eight recipients were chosen, from over 340 submissions, to receive the special scholarship inspired by the late Harold Hewitt, WFCU's long term Director on its Board whose dedication to the community was an integral part of the credit union.

Students were awarded scholarships that will have a value of \$2,000 each by the time the student completes grade 12 (this includes the initial scholarship amount received, plus interest earned over the years until completing grade 12). WFCU Credit Union President & CEO, Eddie Francis stated, "Today it was not only a pleasure to meet such outstanding young people, but an honour to award \$45,000 to the twenty-eight well deserving scholars. WFCU Credit Union is committed to investing in the education of our future leaders and we are encouraged by their visions and dreams for the future of our community".

The Harold Hewitt Scholarship program is one of WFCU's annual contributions to post-secondary education for youth in the Windsor-Essex community. Over the past 15 years, WFCU has presented 241 youth in the community with post-secondary school scholarships through the Harold Hewitt Scholarship program totaling \$128,000. "Each year we are inspired by our recipients and WFCU Credit Union is very proud to be playing such a key role in the development of our future community leaders," said Marty Gillis, Chair, WFCU Credit Union Board of Directors.

The following youth were selected as recipients of the 2017 Harold Hewitt Scholarship:

JK - Grade 1 (awarded \$1,200.00 scholarship each)

Urenna Ndubisi	Grade 1	Academie Ste. Cecile
Ashley Fortier	Grade 1	St. Mary
Cristiano Villella	Grade 1	St. Pius
Neha Chopra	Grade 1	Lakeview Montessori

Grades 2-3 (awarded \$1,300.00 scholarship each)

Lincoln Durocher	Grade 3	Monseigneur Augustin Caron
Emma Persaud	Grade 3	Academie Ste. Cecile
Alina Pan	Grade 2	Academie Ste. Cecile
Gavin Wichlacz	Grade 2	Monseigneur Augustin Caron
Simren Chopra	Grade 3	Lakeview Montessori

Grades 4-6 (awarded \$1,500.00 scholarship each)

Rachel Malus	Grade 4	Academie Ste. Cecile
Luca DeThomasis	Grade 6	Academie Ste. Cecile
Tala Hilal	Grade 6	Academie Ste. Cecile
Aaron Malus	Grade 6	Academie Ste. Cecile
Lexie Banks	Grade 4	Prince Andrew Public School
Nina Laus	Grade 5	Academie Ste. Cecile

Grades 7 - 8 (awarded \$1,700.00 scholarship each)

Jenny Mihai	Grade 8	Academie Ste. Cecile
Riya Nair	Grade 7	Academie Ste. Cecile
Noah Cherian	Grade 7	Academie Ste. Cecile
Travis Loughead	Grade 7	Bellewood Public School

Grades 9 – 10 (awarded \$1,900 00 scholarship each)

Kylie Banks	Grade 9	Sandwich Secondary School
Eddie Grimmett	Grade 10	St. Joseph's Secondary School
Mira Gillis	Grade 10	F.J. Brennan
Ashley Maguire	Grade 10	St. Thomas of Villanova

Grades 11 - 12 (awarded \$2,000.00 scholarship each)

Kristen Swiatoschik	Grade 12	St. Thomas of Villanova
Kendal Ryan	Grade 12	St. Joseph's High School
Abigail Slack Neves	Grade 12	Walkerville Collegiate
Robert Zompanti	Grade 12	Ecole Secondaire Catholique L'Essor
Alyssa Bodde	Grade 12	St. Thomas of Villanova

Funds will be entrusted to WFCU Credit Union in the name of the recipients and will be used towards their post-secondary education.

Congratulations to all recipients.

To request photographs from the ceremony, please contact Beth Ann Prince at bprince@wfcu.ca or call 519-974-3100.

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