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Welcome! Whether you are an applicant, a donor, a past recipient, or just a visitor thanks for stopping by. Please take a look around our website, I think you'll find that the quality of our scholarship winners reflect some of the best that the Oakridge School District has to offer.

The Oakridge Education Association and Oakridge Parent Club Building A Better World Scholarship consists of three separate awards concentrating on student philosophy and life plans in regards to Global Awareness, Community Involvement, and Independent Travel. Oakridge seniors write competitive essays to fulfill scholarship requirements. For their efforts three graduates will each earn a \$1500 grant for the upcoming year (two for college and one to travel). Our nation has before us a great challenge. The typical graduate leaves college today with over \$30,000 of debt; that is a great burden. We can help ease that cost. Through the generosity of our donors, and the opportunity which this scholarship provides, all of us in Oakridge Community can work together to help build a better planet for future generations. Please consider joining with us in this exciting and significant endeavor.

A little history... Since its inception in 2003 we have awarded 35 scholarships for more than \$30,000. Winners have graduated from American University in Washington D.C., Northern and Central and Western Michigan University among others. Oakridge graduates have voyaged to Portland, New York City, Kitty Hawk, North Carolina, China and Europe, and beyond on the travel scholarship.

2014 Scholarship	Travis Simmons	Dominique Jessen	Nichole Depender	
2013 Scholarship	Sara Musser	Lauren Thomas	TeAnna Friday	Grace Lewis
2012 Scholarship	Jacob Barnard	Hunter Koster	Nick Huisingh	Sam Fox
2010 Scholarship	Nyssa Swanson	Ariel Burrington	Shelby Cardinal	
2009 Scholarship	Tyler Darnell	Sam Ferrier	Corey Swanson	
2008 Scholarship	Dani Patton	Becca Houseman	Margarita Contreras	
2007 Scholarship	Jordan Holter	Sara Stewart	D'Licia Green	
2006 Scholarship	Kristen Peabody	Lyanne Wesley	Renee Schmiede	
2005 Scholarship	Amanda Taylor	Kendall Tejchma	Lyndsey Gibson	
2004 Scholarship	Nick Waldo	Angela Vitto	Shannon Smith	
2003 Scholarship	Sarah Fowler	Jessica Stratton	Amber Hoagland	



Join us please:

Last year the OEA was joined by the OPC (Oakridge Parent Club) as a co-sponsor for our scholarship. In addition scores of teachers, parents and students, and local businesses, have joined together in this grassroots effort. You will find a list of our benefactors on the website at [Scholarship Donors](#). As for the winners; these are some solid young people. If you visit our website you will find links to photos and youtube interviews with past winners. We hope, with these links, to better acquaint you with our donors and our scholarship recipients, so that the "OEA / OPC Building A Better World Scholarship" may nurture that educational bond within the Oakridge family for years to come.

If you would like to donate... we have a number of options open to you.

- Do not worry how much to give (\$10, \$20, \$30, any amount) It's that you join us that matters most. We want your support more than your cash...but we need \$\$\$ too!
- **You may now donate online** with a secure credit card donation on the website via PayPal.
- by check made out to *OHS Building A Better World Scholarship* and mail it to Oakridge High School – 5493 East Hall Rd – Muskegon, MI 49442.
- or contact Bob Wood at bobwoodmsu@gmail.com or 616-402-8668.

Thanks...see you online



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