

2017 Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship Winners

Alexis Mae Carson

Osceola, Iowa



Alexis Mae Carson, from Osceola, IA is known by her friends as Lexy. She plans to attend Des Moines Area Community College Ankeny, where she will pursue a Bachelor of Science Degree in Nursing. She maintained a 3.84 GPA at Clarke High School in Osceola, IA.

Lexy served as student council President her junior year of High School and class secretary her senior year. She received her CNA, “Certified Nursing Assistant” after one year of classes and passed the test with flying colors.

She has many plans in the nursing field, with a long term goal of becoming a Pediatric Practitioner Nurse.

She gained a passion for working with children from observing her Mother’s fourth grade classroom and shadowing a Pediatric Nurse.

Lauran Hammer

Tompkinsville Kentucky

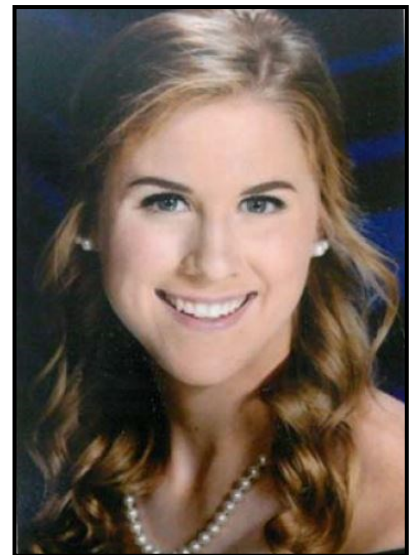
Lauran Hammer plans to attend Western Kentucky University and major in Speech Pathology. She maintained a 4.00 GPA during high school, scoring 26 on the ACT and ranked 18 out of 134 seniors.

Lauren has been very active in her church and community as a junior Jaycee member for six years, working at the County Fair, Angel Tree Program at Christmas, and Toys for Tots. She serves as secretary of the Young Republican’s Club.

During high school she was Co-captain of the basketball and softball teams, starting varsity for both teams. Her basketball team won a state championship during her senior year and had a record of 28-2.

Her work experience is minimal due to her involvement in so many activities, although she did some babysitting during breaks at school.

Her principal described her as one of the most caring and kind Individuals he has known, always putting other people and their needs first and willing to let others receive the glory.



Nichole Kristine Polk

Pittsburg, Kansas



Nichole Kristine Polk hails from Pittsburg, Kansas, where she is a Deli Clerk at Wal-Mart Neighbor Market. She is currently enrolled in Pittsburg State University studying Family and Consumer Sciences, seeking a degree in Early Childhood Development.

She graduated with an Associate's Degree from Coffeyville Community College in May 2016, before enrolling in Pittsburg State University. During high school she has been a member of Family Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA) National Honor's Society, Phi Theta Kappa, and many other leadership organizations.

According to one of her reference letters she is self-motivated with a strong commitment to the children she works with at Farm County Mental Health Center. Also is a problem solver with a positive attitude.

Scarlet Wehr

Carthage, Indiana

Scarlet Wehr, is the oldest of 10 children. She has been a member of Girl Scouts for twelve years and is currently working on her Gold Award.

She plans to attend Indiana State University and major in music production. Scarlet has also been in 4-H for ten years completing many projects ranging from sewing, poultry to crafts and lawn and garden. Another activity during high school days at Rushville Consolidated High School was being a member of the band all four years, where she played the tenor saxophone.

According to one of her references, her biggest strengths is her emphasis of a "team concept" in leading younger scouts, by allowing them to help make decisions.

