

# 2022 Ruth B. Sayre Scholarship Winners

## Emily Bowen

## Depauw, Indiana



Emily Bowen, 19, is from Depauw, Indiana and is a 2021 graduate of North Harrison High School. She is currently attending Purdue University pursuing a Bachelor's Degree in Biology, with a minor in Psychology and Chemistry. She plans to obtain advanced degrees in Genetics so that she can research genetic mutations. This career path is personal for Emily as her younger brother was born with a genetic mutation. She strives to learn so she can help others facing similar situations. Her high school counselor, Renee Eckart, describes her as a strong and kind student. Emily completed over 300 hours of volunteer community service during her high school career and said these hours working in the community helped her understand the importance and value of giving back to the community. "She is a hard worker, a good problem solver, and works well with others" according to Emily's NHHS yearbook advisor Amy Woodward. As a high school student, she was dual-enrolled and earned 51 college credits prior to graduation with academic honors. Emily has continued to excel academically while involved in many organizations and extracurricular work at Purdue University. We are pleased to assist Emily as she continues forward in her academic success by selecting her as a 2022 Ruth B Sayre Scholarship recipient.

## Kaitlyn Lea Cox

## Pittsfield, Illinois

Kaitlyn Lea Cox, 18, is from Pittsfield, Illinois and is a 2022 graduate of Pittsfield High School. She will be attending John Wood Community College to complete her core requirements before transferring to a four-year university to seek Bachelor's Degree in Business. One of her biggest educational goals is to get a good education but have no college debt and declared this goal to be attainable through hard work and dedication. She has a long list of extracurricular activities and academic successes. Beyond that, she held the position as sole webmaster for her school her Junior and Senior years. She was also selected for the CEO program which involved starting and running her own small business. All of this happened while she was helping care for her father, who is on the kidney transplant list. Of her busy life, Kaitlin said "My schedule is busy. I chose it to be that way." Kaitlin enjoys working with youth and is described as a committed student who shows great team work by her Agriculture instructor and Future Farmers of America (FFA) advisor Jody Heavener. Kaitlin's teacher, yearbook advisor and webmaster supervisor, Laura Shade describes her as "talented, caring, intuitive, dedicated, and focused in her pursuits." We are honored to award Kaitlin a Ruth B Sayre Scholarship for 2022.



## Calli Storms

## Muscoda, Wisconsin



Calli Storms, 18, is from Muscoda, Wisconsin and is a 2022 graduate of Riverdale High School. She has been admitted to the University of Wisconsin – Platteville College of Agriculture and will be pursuing a Bachelor’s Degree in Agricultural Business with a minor in Dairy Science. Calli has grown up in and around the Dairy industry and desires to “work beside farmers with a long term goal of working in agriculture finance as an agricultural loan officer.” She has been very involved in her community and school: Athletics, 4-H, Future Farmers of America (FFA), Future Business Leaders of America (FBLA), Student Council, and various livestock councils. “Calli is intelligent, dependable, and responsible, learns quickly and is a natural leader. She is confident and used advanced critical thinking skills to help solve problems on the farm. She works hard and completes any task to the best of her ability” commented Jessica McConnell, an employer. She has received many awards and has often been entrusted with significant areas of responsibility. Calli uses her experience to mentor those coming behind her in areas from showing and judging livestock to the administrative requirements of various organizations. These qualities are what led Calli to being awarded a 2022 Ruth B Sayre Scholarship.