

# CONNECTIONS



## WREC MEMBER NEWSLETTER

Investing in our communities and families remains a cornerstone of

WREC. Since 1997, **Educational Foundation, Inc.** your Cooperative's Educational Foundation has awarded 2,524 college scholarships totaling more than \$19.8 million. The Withlacoochee River Electric Cooperative's Educational Foundation underscores our commitment to education, community strength, and the potential within our Members. Scholarship recipients can attend any in-state regionally accredited college, university, or technical school. This life-changing program is funded by abandoned Capital Credits that would otherwise be forfeited to the State of Florida.

In 2025, 110 high school seniors will be selected to receive \$12,000 each for their undergraduate education, totaling \$1,320,000. Parents of graduating high school seniors, please encourage them to apply for this scholarship opportunity. Applications are available online at [wrec.net](http://wrec.net), your local WREC district office or school guidance office.



Dear WREC Educational Foundation, Inc.,

I am writing to express my sincere gratitude for being selected as a recipient of the WREC Educational Foundation, Inc. Scholarship for the 2024 fall school year and beyond. I am deeply honored to have been chosen for this prestigious award, and I am extremely appreciative of your generosity and support.

Receiving this scholarship means so much to me and will significantly impact my educational journey. I will be entering college in the fall as a freshman, majoring in Computer Science at Saint Leo University. This scholarship award will not only alleviate some of the financial burden of tuition and related expenses but also enable me to focus more intently on my academic and extracurricular pursuits. Your investment in my education is an encouragement and a reminder of the importance of hard work and dedication.

Your support will enable me to make the world a safer place and make everyday life easier, and I am committed to making the most of the opportunities that lie ahead. I am inspired by your commitment to helping students like myself achieve their dreams, and I hope to one day be in a position to give back and help others in a similar manner.

Thank you once again for your generosity and belief in my potential. I am determined to honor your support by excelling in my studies and making a positive impact in my field and community.

*"The WREC scholarship is an investment in the future of our youth. By empowering students to achieve their dreams, we are not only transforming their lives but also fostering a brighter future for our entire community."*

*- David Lambert,  
WREC's General Manager*



**James Coleman, Class of 2024**  
Bishop McLaughlin High School  
Enrolling at Saint Leo University



# Investing in Education Over \$19.8 Million in Scholarships Awarded!



2024 Scholarship recipients are listed  
alphabetically by their last name.



**Marcela Acvedo**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Hamail Amir**  
Wesley Chapel  
H.S.



**Dillon Armstorg**  
Pasco H.S.



**Delila Arnold**  
F.W. Springstead  
H.S.



**Samantha Austin**  
Fivay H.S.



**Kayla Calloway**  
Wesley Chapel  
H.S.



**Kamelia Cameron**  
Hudson H.S.



**Bryan Cardenas**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Adreana Cinnante**  
Pasco H.S.



**Colten Cloud**  
Hernando H.S.



**James Coleman**  
Bishop McLaughlin  
Catholic H.S.



**Hailey Collins**  
Hernando H.S.



**Janiah Dyer**  
Sunlake H.S.



**Matthew Eldridge**  
Citrus H.S.



**Rylee Elwell**  
Crystal River H.S.



**Ana Escobar**  
Holy Family  
Academy



**Jacob Escobar**  
Wiregrass Ranch  
H.S.



**Earlina  
Espinosa Guzman**  
Hudson H.S.



**Alexandra Exantus**  
Wesley Chapel  
H.S.



**Blake Gossin**  
Central H.S.



**Riley Grady**  
Wesley Chapel H.S.



**Isabelle Grey**  
Wesley Chapel H.S.



**Valerie Harris**  
Wesley Chapel H.S.



**Lillian Haun**  
Weeki Wachee  
H.S.



**Kendall Henry**  
Bishop McLaughlin  
Catholic H.S.



**Hannah Hernandez**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Jonathan  
Kartawidjaja**  
Cypress Creek H.S.



**Quentin Klausing**  
Land O' Lakes H.S.



**Violet Lalone**  
Nature Coast  
Technical H.S.



**Reese Laushot**  
Nature Coast  
Technical H.S.



**Daria Lawson**  
Weeki Wachee  
H.S.



**Kyle Lofley**  
Seven Rivers  
Christian School



**Avreigh Maddox**  
Lecanto H.S.



**Izaiah Meyer**  
Fivay H.S.



**Alexander Morales**  
Fivay H.S.



**Jenna Mulholland**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Taylor Nelson**  
Nature Coast  
Technical H.S.



**Emma Newgent**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Jack Niemann**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Kyle Pearson**  
Hernando H.S.



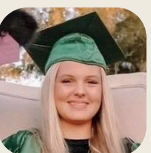
**Sydney Rucys**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Scotlyn Russell**  
River Ridge  
H.S.



**Ramiro Salazar**  
Cypress Creek  
H.S.



**Elizabeth Schiller**  
Lecanto H.S.



**Noah Schramm**  
F.W. Springstead  
H.S.



**Brian Sciaratta**  
Cypress Creek  
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**Hannah Sciortino**  
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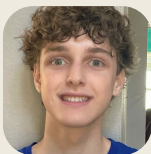
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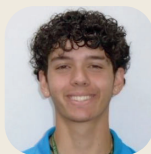
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**Carolynne  
Strickland-Boice**  
Weeki Wachee  
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**Mason Talaber**  
Wesley Chapel  
H.S.



**Juan Telleria**  
Wiregrass Ranch  
H.S.



**Harleigh Thomas**  
Weeki Wachee  
H.S.



**Vanessa Thorne**  
Wesley Chapel  
H.S.

*Congratulations!*



**Isabella Barros Maldonado**  
Wesley Chapel H.S.



**Marielle Berube**  
River Ridge H.S.



**Emma Bogue**  
South Sumter H.S.



**Ashley Brandzel**  
Wesley Chapel H.S.



**Bryor Burke**  
Lecanto H.S.



**Seth Butler**  
Hudson H.S.



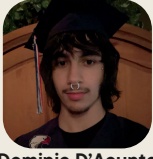
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Land O' Lakes H.S.



**Dominic D'Acunto**  
F.W. Springstead H.S.



**Madison Damron**  
Crystal River H.S.



**Kasey Davitt**  
Wesley Chapel H.S.



**Lauren De La Rosa**  
Hudson H.S.



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Hernando H.S.



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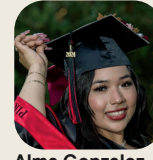
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Dayspring Academy



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**Ananda Gonzalez Vazquez**  
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**Miranda Hernandez**  
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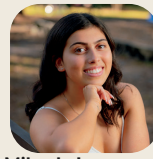
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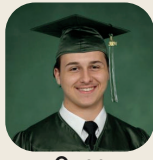
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Nature Coast Technical H.S.



**Mikayla Iannone**  
Wendall Krinn Technical H.S.



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Weeki Wachee H.S.



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**Steven Martin**  
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**Brianna McCabe**  
Nature Coast Technical H.S.



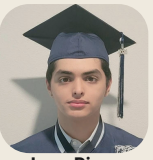
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**Hayden McElreath**  
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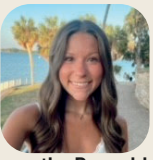
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Gulf H.S.



**Juan Piamo**  
Central H.S.



**Cole Pretorious**  
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**Penelope Rodriguez**  
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**Courtney Rollenhagen**  
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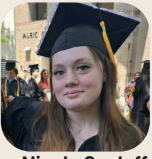
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F.W. Springstead H.S.



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Cypress Creek H.S.



**Jillian Scott**  
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Wiregrass Ranch H.S.



**Caden Simpkins**  
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**Thomas Slater**  
Weeki Wachee H.S.



**Devin Spano**  
Hernando H.S.



**Alyssa Sparaco**  
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**Breanne Valentine**  
F.W. Springstead H.S.



**Saige Vaughan**  
Nature Coast Technical H.S.



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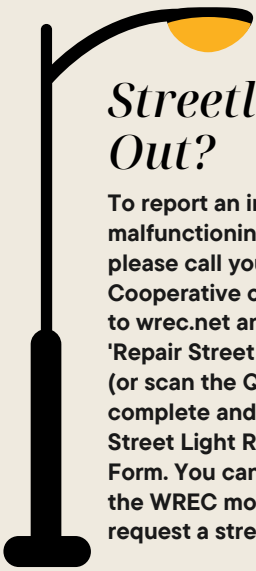
**Abigail Zilly**  
Fivay H.S.



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For more information on the WREC Educational Foundation, Inc. Scholarship Program, contact your local WREC district office, high school guidance office, or visit [wrec.net](http://wrec.net)

Scholarship Recipient Not Pictured: Jai-Ariyah Cooper



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To report an inoperative or malfunctioning streetlight, please call your local Cooperative office, or log on to [wrec.net](http://wrec.net) and click on the 'Repair Street Light' button (or scan the QR code), then complete and submit the Street Light Repair Request Form. You can also download the WREC mobile app and request a street light repair.



Scan to Report

### LOCAL WREC NUMBERS

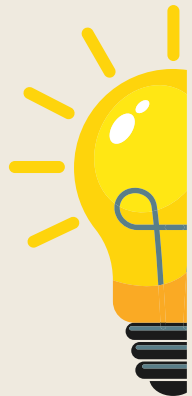
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New Tampa/Wesley Chapel: 813-979-9732  
Bayonet Point District Office: 727-868-9465  
Land O' Lakes/Odessa: 813-972-9233  
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Dunnellon: 352-489-6818  
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