

**SLP 2015
grads attend:**

Allegheny College
American University
Appalachian State Univ.
Art Institute of Minnesota
Augsburg College
Augustana College
Bethel University
Bowdoin University
Butler University
Carleton College
Concordia Univ. St. Paul
DePaul University
Fordham University
Franklin & Marshall College
Gustavus Adolphus College
Hamline University
Iowa State University
Lawrence University
Luther College
Macalester College
McGill University
Metropolitan State Univ.
Miami University Oxford
Mpls. Comm. and Tech. Col.
Minn. St. Univ. Mankato
Normandale Comm. Col.
North Hennepin Comm. Col.
Occidental College
Ohio State Univ. Columbus
Penn State Harrisburg
Rhodes College
Rochester Comm. Tech. Col.
St. Cloud State University
St. Olaf College
Tel Aviv University
University of Iowa
University of Kansas
U. of Minn. – Duluth
U. of Minn. – Twin Cities
Univ. of Nebraska – Omaha
University of Puget Sound
University of St. Thomas
University of South Dakota
Univ. of Wis. – Madison
Univ. of Wis. – Milwaukee
Univ. of Wis. – Platteville
U. of Wis. – Stevens Point
Westminster College
Winona State University
Yale University

99 scholarships from:

Neighborhoods
Families
Individuals
Memorials
Businesses
Teachers and staff
Graduating classes
Retired faculty
Sports assoc.
Community assoc.

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St. Louis Park Dollars for SCHOLARS®

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Providing Post-Secondary Scholarships for Local Students

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St. Louis Park's Class of 2015 awarded \$79,300 in scholarships

The annual St. Louis Park High School Senior Academic Awards Night, held on May 27, was an evening to remember as 99 graduating seniors were awarded a total of \$79,300 in St. Louis Park Dollars for Scholars Scholarships. It was an evening of celebration as scholarship recipients were hailed for their hard work, and donor groups were recognized for their support.

Scholarship donors represented a wide range of supporters including a growing number of St. Louis Park High School graduating classes, neighborhoods, community organizations and memorials designated to remember individuals who valued a St. Louis Park education.

The Dick Wanio Memorial Scholarship is just one example of honoring someone with strong ties to St. Louis Park High School. Mr. Wanio was a former teacher, coach and administrator whose daughters, Linda Wanio and Cheryl Iverson, proudly presented the award to this year's recipient, Andres Perez.

The scholarship recipients have begun their post-secondary education knowing that their community stands behind them with support and care.



Andres Perez is honored with the Dick Wanio Scholarship presented by Linda Wanio and Cheryl Iverson.

Recognize seniors' efforts each year with a renewable scholarship

People like to buy local and eat local. Now you can donate local and contribute to the success of St. Louis Park High School graduates' post-secondary educations. A one-time scholarship sponsorship is always welcome but a renewable scholarship helps graduates each year. As a nonprofit 501(c) organization, your donation is tax deductible and as a renewable donation, you can plan ahead with your giving. Bonnie Skelton called the high school to see how her annual donation could make a difference. She worked directly with the Dollars for Scholars Board to design the specifics of her award including name, value and criteria. To explore creating your own renewable scholarship, email slp.dollarsforscholars@gmail.com or ask a board member.

College degrees benefit the community at large

College graduates enjoy higher earnings but their college degrees have a positive impact on the community, too. Dollars for Scholars Scholarships help create a society that thrives.

“Workers with more education are more productive, which makes companies more profitable and the overall economy grow faster,” writes Adam Davidson in his September 8, 2015 New York Times Magazine “On the Economy” column. He adds, “Educated populations tend to be healthier, more stable and more engaged in their civic institutions and democratic debate.”

College textbook cost help on the way

The College Board estimates that college students spend an average of \$1200 a year on textbooks. The United States Public Interest Research Group noted in a January 2014 report that nearly half of students surveyed said that textbook cost figured into how many and which classes to take per semester, with 65% choosing not to purchase a course-required text due to cost.

Students use cost-saving measures by purchasing used books but now colleges are responding with free online source materials. Open Educational Resources (OER) are digital resources available to everyone and are free of licensing. Many community colleges, historically the schools with the least expensive tuition, are trying to offer Zero Textbook Cost (ZTC) degrees because textbook prices are so high in relation to relatively low tuitions.

Join our volunteer board!

Do a little or a lot. St. Louis Park Dollars for Scholars Scholarships are made possible through the dedicated efforts of our volunteers. Everyone has something to offer and the reward is great: our community helps our graduates get off to a great start.

Email slp.dollarsforscholars@gmail.com or ask a board member for more information.

“It means so much to me to know that members of the Park community are helping to support my education.”

Academic Awards Night 2015



Scott Meyers presents scholarships to Nick Robiner and Anne Lambert.

Please donate today online or by mail

Help a graduate achieve his or her post secondary goals, improve that person's life and the community at large. Donate at the SLP DFS website at <http://www.stlouispark.dollarsforscholars.org> where you can find the latest DFS information at local and national levels. Wish to give by mail? Please send your check to SLP DFS at P.O. Box 16403, St. Louis Park, MN 55416. .

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