



Spring Branch Education Foundation awards 111 scholarships

Spring Branch ISD graduates receive \$158,150



Spring Branch Education Foundation (SBEF) awarded 111 scholarships to Spring Branch Independent School District seniors—a total of \$158,150—at the SBEF 2019 *Bright Stars of SBISD, Celebrating Academic Excellence* awards program on May 15 at The Westin Houston, Memorial City.

The event, hosted by SBEF, honored scholarship recipients as well as 2018-19 Teachers and Principals of the Year. “We are privileged to recognize these exemplary seniors and educators who represent the many bright stars in Spring Branch ISD,” SBEF Executive Director Cece Thompson said.

“At the Bright Stars event, we honor our scholars along with their families, our educators and district employees, our Spring Branch Education Foundation and our entire community that come together, shoulder-to-shoulder, to encourage their education and development,” Warren Matthews, SBEF board member and Scholarship Committee chair, said.

“Our honorees include students up and down class rankings, campus and community volunteers and English language learners. Others have overcome significant obstacles or experienced loss of loved ones. Some have founded a non-profit or started a business. Many are the first in their families to pursue higher education, and we’re happy to help them take that first step.

“Each scholarship application package is independently reviewed and evaluated by all members of the Scholarship Selection Committee. It’s an enormous task, and I appreciate their commitment and engagement,” he continued.

Throughout the school year, Spring Branch ISD staff members contribute to the SBEF Employee Campaign, funding scholarships for SBISD graduates who are children of district employees. When employees were asked in August 2018 to contribute to SBEF’s 2018-19 Employee Campaign scholarship fund, they eagerly responded.

“The response was so great we awarded a \$1,000 scholarship to 44 graduates. We’re honored to recognize SBISD employees and their children,” Thompson said.

Employee Campaign Scholarship, \$1,000

Cassie Briggs – Memorial High School

Katie Lazarine (YES Prep), Manolo Lopez, Ruby Ochoa (YES Prep) – Northbrook High School

Michael Burger, Allen Calvillo-Cantu, Caroline Cordova, Catherine Cordova, T’eRicka Davenport, Jonathan De Los Reyes, Mason Hennig, Abigail Johnson, Alaina Mancuso, Grace Maynard, Gregory Reynolds, Bethany Rodriguez, Charlotte Walstead, Austin Weirich – Spring Woods High School

Hana Ahmad, Alejandro Bueno, Kaivoa Dixon, Tyler Egger, Paula Gardois, Eileen Gex, Jordan Johnson, Kendall Kerr, Jaycee Lynn Lopez Campbell, Agustin Machen, Reagan Mansfield, Meagan McCall, Katherine McCord, Spencer Mitchell, Greta Stultz, Madeline Suerth, Thomas Suess, Paola Velez, Kaitlyn White, Gracen Williams – Stratford High School

Max Filobelo, Preston Graham, Alyssa McNeil, Jared Mendoza, Lauren Morrow, Jasmine Sigworth – Westchester Academy for International Studies

Other scholarships were presented to SBISD graduates by individuals or organizations, funded through SBEF.

Memorial City Mall Scholarship, \$6,000

Hannin Haifa – Northbrook High School

Dilan Centeno, Grace Gabriel – Spring Woods High School

Wilchester Men's Club Scholarship, \$5,000
Samuel Habel, Valeria Robayo – Stratford High School

Sarah Chidgey Memorial Scholarship, \$4,000
Timothy Snapp – Stratford High School

Warren Barfield Memorial Scholarship, \$3,000
Evan Chan, Sean Healy – Stratford High School

Goldstein-Altman Scholarship, \$2,500
Min Woo Park, Rebecca Read – Memorial High School

Rummel Creek Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$2,500
Preston Bouwhuis, Mary Ann Brasher – Stratford High School

Wilchester Men's Club Scholarship, \$2,500
Lauren Dodds, John Kelly, Colton Oliphant, Isabel Vierra – Stratford High School

Judy Weisend Memorial Scholarship, \$2,000
Cecilia Garcia – Westchester Academy

Andres Bautista Memorial Scholarship, \$1,500
Nhi Tran – Spring Woods High School

Cornerstone Academy Scholarship, \$1,500
Darlenne Quiroga – Spring Woods High School

Friends Scholarship, \$1,500
Grace Custer – Stratford High School

Spring Branch Education Foundation Scholarship, \$1,250
Peyton Donovan – Memorial High School
Allyson Hollister, Joseph Kim, Georgia Letchford, Melanie Raley, Isabella Terrazas, Carissa Yun – Stratford High School
Matthew Rosca-Halmagean, Nadya van de Coevering – Westchester Academy

Lary Reap Memorial Scholarship, \$1,200
Maria Rodriguez – Northbrook High School

Spring Woods High School Class of 1978, \$1,200
Amy Dickerson – Spring Woods High School

Bunker Hill Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Sarah Elliott – Memorial High School

CITGO STEM Scholarship, \$1,000

Jazmin Arzate – Westchester Academy

Alexandria Papin – Memorial High School

Abigail Coltrin, Nicholas Comeaux, Madison Dunbar, Madeline Gentil, William Hannigan, Rachel Harkins, Andrew Plant, Thomas Satterwhite – Stratford High School

Benjamin Cuellar Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000

Rachel Dietert – Stratford High School

Frostwood Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Matthew Robertson – Memorial High School

Hunters Creek Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Max Mouer – Memorial High School

Meadow Wood Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Chloe Hayes, Kyle Schleinschok – Stratford High School

Memorial Drive Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Tala Salek – Stratford High School

Memorial High School PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Madeline Mulvey – Memorial High School

Memorial Middle School PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Katherine Elise Miller – Memorial High School

Memorial Middle School PTA Scholarship in honor of Laura Payne, \$1,000

Ann Goss – Stratford High School

Monica Neubauer Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000

Finn Haddon, Crystal Wang – Memorial High School

Rachel Pendray Memorial Scholarship, \$1,000

Faith Gonzalez, Madeline Hernandez, Dennis Lopez – Spring Woods High School

Prosperity Bank Scholarship, \$1,000

Jossellin Chevalley – Northbrook High School

Rummel Creek Men's Club Scholarship, \$1,000

Savannah Baerg – Stratford High School

Shadow Oaks Elementary PTA Scholarship, funded by Valley Oaks Elementary PTA, \$1,000

David Valdez – Spring Woods High School

Spring Branch High School Class of 1968 Scholarship, \$1,000

Esmeralda Ledezma – Northbrook High School

Megan Todd – Spring Woods High School

Spring Forest Middle School PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Paula Noguera – Stratford High School

Stratford High School PTSA Scholarship, \$1,000

Charlotte Benes – Stratford High School

Valley Oaks Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Joshua Sucec – Memorial High School

Wells Fargo & Company Scholarship, \$1,000

Emily Marshburn – Stratford High School

Westchester Academy of International Studies PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Jennifer Vidal – Westchester Academy

Wilchester Elementary PTA Scholarship, \$1,000

Scott Ashmore – Stratford High School

Community members who wish to support scholarship programs are invited to make a tax-deductible donation to the Foundation and earmark it for scholarships. Call 713-251-2381 or visit sbef@springbranchisd.com for more information.

Photo: 44 SBISD seniors received \$1,000 scholarships from the SBEF Employee Campaign

About Spring Branch Education Foundation:

Spring Branch Education Foundation is committed to supporting SBISD students and educators. It partners with the district and community to fund programs that enhance education and students for the future. In 2016, Caruthers Institute ranked SBEF 42nd in the nation among 188 K-12 education foundations and in the top 10 of its division of foundations with \$1 million to \$1,999,999 in revenues. Since 1993, the Foundation has donated more than \$13 million to the district. SBEF is a 501(c)3 organization; all donations are tax deductible.