

FWSA Athletic Scholarship Program 2020-2021



A.J. Hurt, Far West scholarship recipient, skis for the U.S. Ski Team and lives in Carnelian Bay, California.

The Far West Athletic Scholarship Program, now in its 17th year as a means of making a positive contribution to junior racing, has continued to garner more support each year. Since 2004, FWSA has awarded 175 scholarships for a total of well over \$165,000.

United States Ski Association licensed junior racers in the U21, U19, and second year U16 classes in states represented by FWSA affiliated councils are eligible for a scholarship. Currently, junior racers in California, Nevada, Arizona, Oregon, Washington, Idaho, Utah, and Wyoming are eligible. Scholarships are awarded on the basis of financial need, competitive accomplishments, academics, and community service.

This year's recipients are:

Recipient	Age	Team	Amount Awarded	Donor
Kacy Benjaminson	16	Squaw Valley	\$500	FWSA
Samantha Clays	15	Snow Summit	\$500	Los Angeles Council
Ryan Herhusky	17	Sugar Bowl	\$750	FWSA
A.J. Hurt	20	U.S. Ski Team	\$1500	Frank App Memorial/Sierra Council
Tea Kiesel	17	Squaw Valley	\$500	FWSA
Sierra Kim	17	Northstar	\$1,000	Castro Valley Ski Club
Sydney Kraabel	16	Crystal Mountain	\$1,000	Northwest Council
Jack Lackey	15	Mammoth	\$500	FWSA
Rhett Lindsay	15	Squaw Valley	\$500	FWSA
Teegan Lowe	20	Mount Bachelor	\$1,400	Skiyente Ski Club (Erin Nicole Scholarship)
Carson Parco	17	Sugar Bowl	\$500	FWSA
Mitchell Parsons	16	Mammoth	\$750	San Diego Council
Luca Robillard	18	Sugar Bowl	\$1,000	FWSA
Zackary Staudenmayer	16	Sugar Bowl	\$750	FWSA
Lauren Stendell	15	Sugar Bowl	\$1,000	FWSA

All funds for the scholarship program are deposited with The Far West Ski Foundation, an IRS 501(c)3 charitable foundation, that was incorporated as a partner of FWSA to provide a means of accepting contributions. The foundation qualifies contributions to the scholarship program as income tax charitable deductions.