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Midwest Farmers Cooperative Announces 2017 Scholarship Winners
For Immediate Release:

Midwest Farmers Cooperative is pleased to announce the following eight area students have been awarded Midwest Farmers Coop Scholarships. The scholarships are valued up to \$2,500. An initial amount of \$1,000 is awarded for each scholar's freshman year, with an additional \$500 for each year of continued education. Midwest Farmers Cooperative's Board of Directors selects the recipients. The considerations for the awarded scholarship include minimum GPA requirements, focus in agricultural related studies, and involvement in the local agricultural and Midwest Farmers Cooperative community.

Since 2012, MFC has awarded more than \$135,000 in scholarships to 54 local high school graduates. "With the link between agriculture and education, the future success of modern agriculture and rural America will be in the hands of our current students. Midwest Farmers Coop invests in the education of our young people, so they can improve upon the future of agriculture in Nebraska. We want to congratulate the achievements of our area high school students and we wish them the best in their future endeavors," said Dale Piper, General Manager of Midwest Farmers Cooperative.

List of scholarship winners, their parents, high school, intended college and major:

| Scholar | Parents | High School | College | University Major |
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| Logan Bredemeier | Mike & Chris Bredemeier | Humboldt-Table Rock-Steinauer HS | University of NE-Lincoln | Agribusiness |
| Micah Erickson | James & Mary Erickson | Sterling HS | University of NE-Lincoln | Mechanized System Management |
| Morgan Leefers | Mike & Jeni Leefers | Syracuse HS | University of NE-Lincoln | Animal Science & Agribusiness |
| Jacob Meyer | Timothy & Geri Meyer | Weeping Water HS | Northwest Missouri State | Agricultural Science |
| Taylor Nielsen | Dave & Vicki Nielsen | Waverly HS | University of NE-Lincoln | Agriculture Education |
| Jacob Vallery | John & Jessica Vallery | Conestoga HS | Nebraska College of Technical Agriculture | Ag Production Systems |
| Caleb Wehrbein | Scott & Kimerly Wehrbein | Plattsmouth HS | University of NE-Lincoln | Biology - Plant Science |
| Lindsey Mills | Donald & Diane Mills | Weeping Water HS | Northwest Missouri State | Agricultural Science |