

## **News Release**

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## Plum Creek Awards Scholarships to 23 Montana Students

**COLUMBIA FALLS, Mont.**— Twenty-three graduates of Montana high schools are among 35 children of Plum Creek employees to be awarded scholarships from the company. Plum Creek annually awards scholarships to employees' children who plan to continue their education after high school graduation. A committee selects students based on their academic achievements, participation in extracurricular activities and career goals.

Scholarship recipients in Montana include:

- **Brandon Bauer** Bauer is a graduate of Flathead High School. He has logged more than 50 hours of community service, volunteering for organizations including Big Brothers/Big Sisters, the Lunch Pail Pal Program and his church. Bauer plans to continue his education at Flathead Valley Community College, where he will study business. Bauer is the son of Duane Bauer and Brenda Bauer. His father works in Plum Creek's Evergreen Plywood Mill in Kalispell.
- Jannah Caffrey Caffrey is a graduate of Darby High School. In the fall, she will attend the University of Montana to study education. While in high school, she was an active member of the National Honor Society; Family, Career, Community Leaders of America; and the tennis, cross-country, cheerleading and basketball teams. She also participated in the school's band and choir. Caffrey is the daughter of Patrick and Debra Caffrey. Her father works in Plum Creek's Seeley Lake office.
- Sarah Caffrey Caffrey is a graduate of Darby High School. She was a member of National Honor Society; Family, Career, Community Leaders of America; and the cross-country, track, basketball and cheerleading teams. Caffrey was also involved in various community projects. She will continue her education in the fall at the University of Montana where she will study forestry/recreation management. She is the daughter of Patrick and Debra Caffrey. Her father works in Plum Creek's Seeley Lake office.
- Chad Campbell Campbell is a graduate of Flathead High School. His interests are writing and business. While in high school, he started a games and movies review website and actively wrote movie scripts. He has aspirations of working in the film industry and will attend Montana State University in the fall to study media and film. Campbell is the son of Ron and Kirby Rierson. His father works in Plum Creek's Evergreen Plywood Mill in Kalispell.

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- Farrah Carlson Carlson is a graduate of Ronan High School. She plans to continue her education at the University of Montana where she will study medicine. While in high school, Carlson was a member of the softball and volleyball teams. She participated in the Upward Bound program, served as a volunteer for Big Brothers/Big Sisters and was active in her church. Carlson is the daughter of William and Darla Jo Maughan. Her father works in Plum Creek's Pablo Sawmill.
- Graham Cook Cook is a graduate of Lincoln County High School. He will attend the University of Montana to pursue human and health performance with a goal of becoming an athletic trainer. While in high school, he was a member of the football, wrestling and track teams, the band and the choir. He also participated in student council, serving as his class vice-president for the past three years. Cook is the son of Rick and Robin Cook. His father works in Plum Creek's Ksanka Sawmill in Fortine.
- **David Engle** Engle is a graduate of Flathead High School, where he was a member of the golf team. He also served as a volunteer youth basketball coach and was active in his church. Engle plans to attend Flathead Valley Community College to study economics and political science. He is the son of Paul and Vickie Engle. His father works at Plum Creek's Medium Density Fiberboard plant in Columbia Falls.
- **J.D. Fields** Fields is a graduate of Columbia Falls High School. He was a member of the National Honor Society and participated in the school's football and basketball programs. Fields was also active in his community, coaching for the Little Dribblers Basketball Program, serving as an HIV/AIDS peer mentor and participating in his church youth program. Fields will attend Montana State University in the fall to study architecture. He is the son of Jack and Jana Fields. His father and mother work in Plum Creek's Medium Density Fiberboard plant in Columbia Falls.
- Conrad Hansen Hansen is a graduate of Flathead High School. He plans to attend Helena College of Technology to pursue a career as a machinist. While in high school, Hansen was a member of the Flathead chapter of Future Farmers of America, winning several awards in competition. He also works on his family ranch. Hansen is the son of Scott and Tana Hansen. His father works at Plum Creek's Columbia Falls Sawmill.
- **Kymberlie Island** Island is a graduate of Columbia Falls High School. She was a member of the Key Club, Foreign Language Club and National Honors Society, and participated on the softball and cross-country teams. She has accumulated more than 275 hours of community service through projects such as Bowl for Kids' Sake, Lunch Pail Pals and Kids on the Block. Island will attend Whitworth University in Spokane, Wash., in the fall to study human resources. She is the daughter of Albert and Sydney Island. Her father works in Plum Creek's Evergreen Plywood Mill.
- Logan Klein Klein is a graduate of Polson High School. In the fall, Klein will attend Vanguard University in Costa Mesa, Calif., to study communications. While in high school, Klein was active on the football, tennis, wrestling and basketball teams. He was also a member of the school choir and band. Klein is the son of Kris and Debra Klein. His father works at Plum Creek's Pablo Sawmill.
- Jace Ladenburg Ladenburg is a graduate of Columbia Falls High School. He will attend Montana State University in the fall. At Columbia Falls High School, Ladenburg was a member of the football and basketball teams. He also participated in the AIDS Mentors program, teaching junior high students about HIV risks, and the Peer Allies program for underclassmen. He is the son of Tom and Carol Ladenburg. His father works at Plum Creek's Columbia Falls Plywood Plant.

- Katie Leu Leu is a graduate of Flathead High School, where she was an award-winning member of both the debate team and school orchestra. She is an active member of her church, participating in the youth group and teaching Sunday school. In the fall, Leu will attend Seattle Pacific University in Seattle to study international business with a goal of doing economic work in a third world country. She is the daughter of Mitchell and Carol Leu. Her father works at Plum Creek's Medium Density Fiberboard plant in Columbia Falls.
- Clara Ludwig Ludwig is a graduate of Columbia Falls High School. She plans to continue her education at the University of Montana, where she will study language arts. While in high school, Ludwig participated in numerous community-related projects including serving meals with the Community Kitchen program. She was also a member of the track and field and cross-country teams. Ludwig is the daughter of Roger Ludwig and Mary Camuso. Her father works in Plum Creek's Columbia Falls Sawmill.
- **David Luke** Luke is a graduate of Whitefish High School. He was an active member of the school's vocal arts and theater programs. He was also involved in the 4-H club and volunteered for several community projects, including the Northwest Montana Fair and the Whitefish Winter Carnival. Luke will attend Flathead Valley Community College, where he will study electrical engineering. He is the son of Bryan and Velma Luke. His father works at Plum Creek's Columbia Falls Plywood Plant.
- Nicole McKinney McKinney is a graduate of Lincoln County High School, where she served as president of both the Technology and Key Clubs, secretary ambassador of the 4-H Club, and vice-president of the National Honor Society. McKinney also represented her class on student council and was a member of the track and field team. She will attend DeVry University in Westminster, Colo., to study biomedical engineering technology. She is the daughter of Maury and Karmen McKinney. Her father works at Plum Creek's Medium Density Fiberboard plant in Columbia Falls.
- Erica Miller Miller is a graduate of Flathead High School. She will continue her education at Flathead Valley Community College, where she will study business. While in high school, Miller was a member of the speech and debate team, served as the morning announcements news anchor, participated in the Fellowship of Christian Athletes and was in the National Honor Society. She was also very active in the community, participating in numerous projects for Riverside Vineyard Church, Flathead Valley Animal Shelter, Flathead Valley Youth Shelter and Flathead Community Soup Kitchen. Miller is the daughter of Douglas and Cindy Miller. Her father works at Plum Creek's Evergreen Plywood Mill.
- Eugene Morigeau Morigeau is a graduate of Ronan High School. An honor student throughout high school, Morigeau was a member of the football and wrestling teams and involved with the athlete morning reading program. In the fall he plans to continue his education at Montana State University and will study nursing. He is the son of Ron and Lila Morigeau. His father works at Plum Creek's Pablo Sawmill.
- Anna Ness Ness is a graduate of Lincoln County High School, where she was active in the 4-H Club, serving in several leadership positions including secretary, reporter, vice president and president. She also participated in the school's softball and basketball programs. She plans to attend The Denver School of Massage Therapy to pursue a career in massage therapy. She is the daughter of Timothy and Colleen Ness. Her father works in Plum Creek's Ksanka Sawmill in Fortine.

- Whitney Robidou Robidou is a graduate of Flathead High School. She will continue her education in the fall at Rocky Mountain College, where she will study education. While in high school, Robidou was active in 4-H, most recently serving as president of the club. She was also involved with Upward Bound, a college preparatory program, and volunteers for numerous community organizations including Deer Park School, the Lunch Pail Pals program and Big Brothers/Big Sisters. Robidou is the daughter of Greg Robidou. Her father works in Plum Creek's Evergreen Plywood Mill.
- **Jenna Toole** Toole is a graduate of Columbia Falls High School. She was a member of the volleyball and basketball teams throughout high school, earning varsity letters in both sports. In the fall, Toole plans to pursue a degree in business administration at Flathead Valley Community College. She is the daughter of Brian and Sherry Toole. Her father works at Plum Creek's Columbia Falls Sawmill.
- Kali Vergeront Vergeront is a graduate of Polson High School. In the fall, she will attend the University of Portland in Portland, Ore., to study elementary education. While in high school, Vergeront was active in her school's soccer program, served on the student council, was a member of the homecoming and prom committees, and participated in choir. She was also volunteered for the SERVE: Community and assisted teaching a second grade class. Vergeront is the daughter of Thomas and Carolyn Vergeront. Her father works at Plum Creek's Pablo Sawmill.
- **Kelli Walterskirchen** Walterskirchen is a graduate of Flathead High School. A member of the National Honor Society for the past two years, Walterskirchen was also involved in athletics as a member of the tennis and volleyball teams. She also served her community as a volunteer for Rotary youth basketball, Peer Court, Assisted Living, Big Brothers/Big Sisters and youth volleyball. She plans to attend University of Montana to pursue a degree in business. Walterskirchen is the daughter of Vicki and Brad Walterskirchen. Her mother works in Plum Creek's Columbia Falls office.

Plum Creek's scholarship program recognizes and rewards academic excellence and extracurricular participation by awarding financial scholarships to children of employees.

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