## **Press Release**



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## **AASP-MN Awards Scholarships to Automotive Students**

The Alliance of Automotive Service Providers of Minnesota (AASP-MN) is pleased to announce scholarship awards totaling \$21,000 to help automotive service and collision repair students pay for tuition or tools during the 2021-22 school year. The scholarships are in the amount of \$1,500 and are made possible with the generous donations from the Minnesota State I-CAR Committee and Bill Smith Fund, as well as proceeds from AASP-MN's Annual Race for Automotive Education fundraiser, which will be held later this fall.

Thirty college and high school students from 14 schools submitted scholarship applications. Applications were reviewed by a committee of industry representatives, with consideration given to scholastic achievement, education and career goals, financial need and written recommendations.

## The recipients are:

- Austin Allison, South Central College, North Mankato Auto Body Collision Repair
- Moneab Amro, Century College, White Bear Lake Automotive Service Technology
- Carter Brandes, South Central College, North Mankato Auto Body Collision Repair
- Hunter Cooley, MN State Community & Technical College, Moorhead Automotive Service Technology
- Henry Cortes, Dunwoody College of Technology, Minneapolis Auto Body Collision Repair
- Jaycen Holt, Century College, White Bear Lake Automotive Service Technology
- Hunter Linnane, Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount Automotive Service Technology
- Jason Otterholt, Hennepin Technical College, Brooklyn Park Auto Body Collision Repair
- Erickson Point, Ridgewater College, Willmar Automotive Service Technology
- Cole Poncelet, Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount Auto Body Collision Repair
- Shaun Pope, Anoka Technical College, Anoka Automotive Service Technology
- Evan Plummer, Dakota County Technical College, Rosemount Auto Body Collision Repair
- Jonathan Swanson, Century College, White Bear Lake Automotive Service Technology
- Jacob Story, Pine Technical College, Pine City Automotive Service Technology

## Congratulations to all of this year's recipients!

The scholarship awards are the centerpiece of AASP-MN's Automotive Education Fund, which was established to provide financial resources to support automotive students, enhance automotive programs and raise awareness of career opportunities in the independent automotive service industry.

The Alliance of Automotive Service Providers of Minnesota (AASP-MN) is an association of nearly 700 independently owned automotive service businesses and industry suppliers dedicated to improving the state's automotive service industry and the success of its members.