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The Executive Scholars program is one of the ways that The Promise can help students transition not only from high school to college, but also from college to a career. Thank you for being one of ten prestigious donors in our Executive Scholars program!

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2018



Halley Cook

Halley wants to become a physician to improve the quality of her patients' lives no matter where they live in the world. She is studying bioinformatics at University of Pittsburgh. Halley graduated from Pittsburgh Allderdice. She completed a business internship with the Squirrel Hill Urban Coalition and received the 2018 Pittsburgh Penguins Scholarship.



Amaiya Lewis

Amaiya has a passion for helping and caring for animals. She is currently enrolled in the pre-veterinary program at Clarion University and hopes to one day own her own clinic. At Pittsburgh SciTech she was captain of the soccer team and a member of the Black Student Union. She also volunteered with Interact Club.



Uthman Fadu

Uthman is studying bioengineering at the University of Pittsburgh on a Stamps Scholarship. With passion for laboratory research and helping others, he aspires to become a heart surgeon. Uthman is most proud of his success at science competitions such as PRSEF and PJAS. He is a Pittsburgh Allderdice graduate.



Beatrice Milnes

During her time at Pittsburgh Allderdice, Beatrice received many awards for scientific research. She is now studying microbiology at the University of Pittsburgh with plans to go on to pursue a Ph.D. and run her own laboratory. Beatrice was on the soccer team and a member of the STEMInism Club and Mock Trial Team.



Kayla Ackerman

Kayla is majoring in nursing at Carlow University. She graduated with High Honors from Pittsburgh Carrick and participated in Student Council and the Senior Class Committee. Kayla is passionate about ice hockey and was proud to become assistant captain of the two teams that she played with during high school.

2017



Samantha Moon

A graduate of Pittsburgh SciTech, Samantha is passionate about helping others and her community. In the future, Samantha hopes to teach and become a pediatrician. She is a pre-med major at Seton Hill University.



Tatiana Klett

Tatiana graduated from Pittsburgh Allderdice. She attends the Schreyer Honors College at Penn State University to study engineering. Tatiana is passionate about social justice and plans to use engineering and a law degree to make an impact on the world.



Courtney Thomas

Courtney graduated from Pittsburgh Obama with high honors, earning a full-ride to pursue her education at Lincoln University. She studies accounting and hopes to become an international accountant and eventually start her own firm.



Itunu Lawal

Itunu is a pre-med major at the University of Pittsburgh—Johnstown, where she is President of the Black Action Society. Her love of sports developed her interest in biology and the human body. At Pittsburgh Brashear, Itunu was a Pittsburgh Promise Ambassador.



Donovan Schueler

Donovan is a Pittsburgh City High graduate pursuing a degree in science and mathematics at CCAC. He learned the value of giving back on a service learning trip to Costa Rica. He enjoys working for the Pittsburgh Steelers and spending quality time with friends.

2016



India Washington

A cellular and molecular biology major at West Chester University, India is interested in women's health and pre-natal care. She aspires to become an obstetrician. A graduate of Pittsburgh Obama, she was a Jubilee Soup Kitchen volunteer, a member of the marching band, and participated in One Act plays.



Dominick Openko

A graduate of Pittsburgh Allderdice, Dominick is a natural sciences major at the University of Pittsburgh and hopes to eventually become a physician. He has been a competitive swimmer for most of his life. He worked as a junior lab assistant at the University of Pittsburgh and has also volunteered with Urgent Care.



William Joshua Fitch

William is a mechanical engineering major at the University of Pittsburgh with a passion for physics. He aspires to develop prosthetics. Joshua was junior superintendent of his Sunday school and an active volunteer at his church. He is a graduate of Pittsburgh SciTech Academy where he was on the school news team.



Amanda Linn

Now attending Robert Morris University to study information systems, Amanda was valedictorian of her class at Pittsburgh Carrick. Volunteering at a food shelter and the Animal Rescue League taught her to be a more understanding person. She also participated in the high school marching band.



Patricia Donahue

Patricia studies global health and pre-medicine at Allegheny College. Her goal is to be a pediatrician and to someday teach. Throughout high school, Patricia was very involved in activities related to science, technology, and math. A graduate of Pittsburgh SciTech Academy, she was valedictorian of her class.

2015



Chelsea Helterbran

A business management major at the University of Pittsburgh, Chelsea hopes to run her own business in the future. While attending Pittsburgh Brashear, she volunteered at her church. Chelsea is a recipient of the Daughters of the American Revolution Award.



Henry Novara

Henry is a politics and philosophy major at the University of Pittsburgh. A graduate of Pittsburgh Allderdice, he played for the Allderdice soccer and Frisbee teams, volunteered at the food bank, and worked at a tennis club. Henry is very passionate about soccer and served as the captain of his high school team.



Logan Thompson

A graduate of Pittsburgh Allderdice, Logan is now an astrophysics major at Villanova University. He is passionate about his major, and aspires to become one of the leading minds in his field with access to top research facilities. While in high school, Logan participated in Science Olympiad, Science Bowl, and was a camp counselor for Kinder Camp.



Kevin Williams

Kevin graduated from Pittsburgh SciTech Academy. During high school he was a part of the Physician Scientist Training Program, volunteered with the National Honor Society, and fundraised for natural disasters in Asia. Kevin is a biology major at the University of Pittsburgh.



Mia Williams

A mechanical engineering technology major at Point Park University, Mia is a graduate of Pittsburgh CAPA. She hopes to design technology for people undergoing rehabilitation therapy. Mia has volunteered with the Carnegie Library of Pittsburgh Knoxville branch and is a member of the National Society of Black Engineers.

2014



Kondaker Ahmed

A graduate of Pittsburgh Obama, Kondaker volunteered over 100 hours during high school. He cites his volunteer experience with the Animal Shelter and Allegheny General Hospital as two of his favorites. Kondaker attends University of Pittsburgh studying biology and chemical engineering.



Danyelle Frischman

Danyelle attends Penn State University with an interest in studying communications. A graduate of Pittsburgh Allerdice, Danielle graduated with honors. She is especially proud of her work with Friendship Circle, an organization that matches volunteers with special needs teens.



Kaitlyn Mahouski

A computer science major at Indiana University of Pennsylvania, Kaitlyn is passionate about cyber security. A graduate of Pittsburgh Carrick, she was a soccer player and referee. In addition to Kaitlyn's Promise award, she received the Sutton Scholarship at IUP.



MaryKate Freeman

MaryKate graduated from Pittsburgh Carrick as Treasurer of Student Council and valedictorian. Studying environmental science at Robert Morris University, she wants to make a difference through protecting the environment. In addition to her Promise award, MaryKate received a Carson Scholarship.



Bani Randhawa

Valedictorian of her class, Bani graduated from Pittsburgh Allerdice. Studying political science and pre-medicine at University of Pittsburgh, Bani is passionate about international relations and medicine. In addition to her Promise award, she was named the 2014 National Coca-Cola Scholar.

2013



Mara Greenberg

Mara attends the University of Pennsylvania and is pursuing pre-medical studies. A valedictorian at Pittsburgh Allderdice, Mara has won many awards pursuing her passions for math and science including a National Merit Award and a Carson Scholarship.



Aaron Jackson

A graduate of Pittsburgh Allderdice, Aaron studies microbiology and psychology at the University of Pittsburgh. His goal is to work in neuroscience research. As a member of his high school marching band, he held benefit concerts for local charities, including the Animal Rescue League.



Matthew Marshman

Matthew graduated from Pittsburgh Brashear with high honors and was the recipient of a Computer Science Magnet Award. He currently studies computer science at Duquesne University. To give back, Matthew volunteers with the Urban League and Summer Dreamers Academy.



Aedan Marty

Aedan attends Carnegie Mellon University and studies biology while maintaining an interest in business as well. He is a graduate of Pittsburgh Allderdice. Aedan is passionate about his volunteer work with TopSoccer, a student-driven organization that links special needs children with coaches for soccer games and tournaments.



Amanda Schwarz

A valedictorian at Pittsburgh Brashear, Amanda is studying molecular biology at the University of Pittsburgh. Amanda is a volunteer at The Pittsburgh Project and was the President of the Sign Language Club at Brashear. Her dream is to become a medical researcher to help cure chronic diseases.