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NOSF Congratulates Class of 2020

In light of all the craziness that came with COVID-19 and in the best interest of the students and their families, the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Fund decided to honor its 8th grade graduates with a Class of 2020 Drive-by rather than a graduation party.

Students and their parents were invited to drive by the NOSF offices on June 3 to have their pictures taken and receive a small gift bag including a NOSF apple cut-out cookie, a graduation card and a Chick-fil-A gift card.

NOSF Board Chair Dick LaValley and Board members Dianne Tankoos, Rita Martin and Scott Brown were on hand to congratulate the students for their hard work and the parents for their sacrifice.

Parents got into the act too. They took pictures of their students. One parent decorated his classic convertible with balloons and ribbons.

There were 25 out of the 91 NOSF 8th grade graduates that participated in the Drive-by.

NOSF graduates who were not able to attend the event were mailed graduation cards as well.

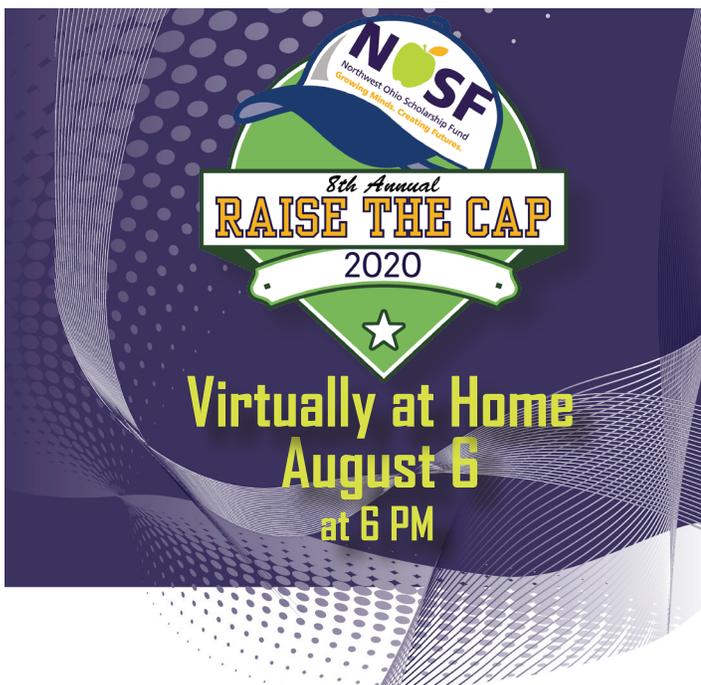


Get Online for Raise the Cap!

Raise the Cap is going virtual this year with a week-long campaign that will end with a virtual fundraiser on the NOSF Facebook page @NOSFOhio on August 6 at 6 PM.

- Viewers will hear from scholarship recipients and their parents.
- Donors will also have an opportunity to be entered into an event raffle.
- All donations made to NOSF will be matched.
- All money raised will be used for scholarships for the 2020-2021 school year.

Visit <https://nosf.org/news-and-events> or go to @NOSFOhio on Facebook to learn more.
#NOSFRTC2020



NOSF Class of 2016 Make Their Mark at Graduation

Many NOSF alumni from the Class of 2016 were recognized for their hard work and effort as they graduated from high school this spring. NOSF graduates from the class of 2016 earned \$1.6 million in merit scholarships for college. They also earned many awards including:

- 2016 Blessed Sacrament graduate **Annalee Miklosek** was St. Ursula Academy's Salutatorian this year and will be heading off to the University of Michigan in the fall to study Mathematics and Cognitive Science.
- 2016 St. Ursula Academy graduate **Regan Rybka** received the Jefferson Service Award.
- 2016 St. John's Jesuit Academy graduate **Myles Beale** received the AMDG Award for going the extra mile in service to campus ministry at St. John's Jesuit High School.
- 2016 Emmanuel Christian Academy graduate **Isaac Kim** will be attending Northwestern University on a full-ride scholarship.

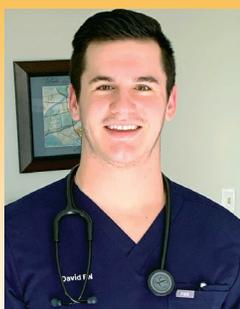


Myles Beale



Annalee Miklosek

NOSF Alumni making an Impact in Our Community



David Huffaker

NOSF 2009 alumnus **David Huffaker** and Monclova Christian Academy graduate shared that he completed his RN program at Owens Community College, passed his exams and is now a RN in the Coronary ICU at ProMedica Toledo Hospital.

Kristine Below, another 2009 alumnus, let NOSF know that she has just accepted a new position at Mercy Health St. Vincent Medical Center as a Research Assistant in Neuroscience.

NOSF loves to hear from alumni and what they are doing. If you are an alum or a parent of an alum and have some news to share, contact us at info@nosf.org.



Kristine Below

NOSF Parents Gave High Marks to Their Schools During the Pandemic

NOSF reached out to 400 of its scholarship parents with a short survey in April to find out how they thought their child's school was performing during this period of uncertainty.

Parents responded positively to the five question survey. When asked how do you rate your school's efforts to meet the educational needs of your child during COVID-19? 66% of them said excellent and 93% percent of the parents felt that they had all the tools they needed to facilitate at-home learning. Partner schools are using different techniques to keep the students engaged including online classes, distance learning programs, virtual fire drills, and Zoom game nights, etc.

NOSF is grateful for its partner schools and their commitment to education.



Note From a Grateful Parent

Ms. Riddle:

For years my four sons have been blessed to receive assistance from your program. I have one son who is still in grade school and would like to withdraw our name for consideration this year. I believe I can pay his tuition this year. I would like to free those funds for someone else.

I cannot begin to tell you how appreciative and blessed we feel to have been supported by the Northwest Ohio Scholarship Program. My oldest son is 17 and a Junior at St. Francis de Sales in Toledo. He is on the honor roll and plans to apply to the Air Force Academy. He is a great example to his younger brothers and is strong in character, faith and direction. Being their role model, as I am a single parent, he



supports and helps me daily. Andrew is 15 and was chosen for the leadership and character award at his grade school. He is kind, generous and a leader. He is strong in his character and faith. Joshua is 14 and graduating from grade school. He is a gifted athlete and student. His generosity and kindness is exceptional. Samuel is still in grade school as a 5th grader. He is an all A student and is the first to volunteer to help in class or other activities. I credit their growth, character and faith partly to their private education which would not have been possible but for NOSF.

During this challenging and unique time they have stepped up and write veterans, have made pen pals in nursing homes they communicate with daily. They disinfect their church before funerals, help Father with the church grounds and have applied for a grant to purchase groceries and deliver to school-aged children missing meals and elderly who are confined to their homes. All while maintaining their grade point average and keeping their sanity as we are all schooling and I work from home.

When we were lucky enough to be chosen for your program we depended on the church for our rent, received meals from donated food and I drove a vehicle with no heat or air... It was your program that provided what the boys needed. We slowly built our way back and even when I was diagnosed and treated for breast cancer in 2014, I did not worry about their education.

I am now blessed beyond deserving but always was... I guess my point is... thank you, thank you, thank you!!! Someday I promise I will get to the point where I can give back... as will my four sons...

With appreciation!
Tricia Maassel



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Parents: If this is addressed to a graduate who no longer maintains permanent residence at your home, please forward this to them and notify us of their updated information. Thank you.

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100% Graduation Rate Once Again for NOSF

Once again, NOSF alumni continue to have a 100% high school graduation rate. This past spring graduates from the class of 2015 were sent a five-question survey. If the parents did not respond to the mailed survey, they were contacted by phone and email. NOSF was able to confirm that all 62 graduates from the NOSF 8th grade class had graduated from high school including 44 private schools. Many of the graduates have gone onto college including the University of Toledo, Ohio State University, and University of Arizona to name a few. We look forward to cheering on our NOSF graduates as they continue their journey.

Looking Ahead to December and A NIGHT ON THE POLAR EXPRESS

Be sure to hold the date for *A Night on the Polar Express*. It is scheduled for Sunday, December 6, 2020. More information will be coming for this festive event that benefits NOSF and HOPE Learning Academy. Visit Ontrackforeducation.org for more information.

