



PERRY COMMUNITY HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR AWARDS ASSEMBLY

AWARDS

Iowa Governor's Scholar Recognition Award

The Governor of the State of Iowa annually recognizes a senior from each high school for academic excellence with this award sponsored by the Iowa High School Athletic Association and Iowa Farm Bureau.

IGHSAU E. Wayne Cooley Award

Established in 1993 as a tribute to the man who served as Executive Director of the Iowa Girls' High School Athletic Union from 1954-2002, the recipient of this award is recognized as being representative of the most elite of the superlative Iowa Girl, not only on the playing field, but also in the classroom, in her school and in her community. Her profile will reflect discipline, perseverance, character, leadership, and citizenship.

IHSAA Bernie Saggau Award

Mr. Bernie Saggau served as Executive Secretary of the Iowa High School Athletic Association from 1968-2004. This award is presented annually, by the State Association, to the graduating senior who best exemplifies a patriotic spirit, with strong religious and moral convictions, living and professing the qualities of honesty, integrity, and sportsmanship, believing that both games and life should be conducted by the rules.

United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Award

The United States Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Awards are presented to seniors in recognition of citizenship, leadership, self-confidence, courage, and scholastic excellence.

United States Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Music Award

The United States Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Music Award is presented to a senior in recognition of citizenship, leadership, self-confidence, courage, and musical excellence.

United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Award

The United States Marine Corps Distinguished Athlete Awards are presented to seniors in recognition of citizenship, leadership, self-confidence, courage, and athletic achievement.

United States Army Reserve Scholar-Athlete Award

The United States Army Reserve Scholar-Athlete Award recognizes one female and one male senior for outstanding citizenship, leadership, scholastic achievement, and athletic accomplishments.

Iowa Air National Guard Scholar-Athlete Award

The Iowa Air National Guard Scholar-Athlete Award recognizes a graduating senior for outstanding citizenship, leadership, scholastic accomplishments, and athletic achievements.

Iowa Air National Guard Distinguished Athlete Award

The Air National Guard Distinguished Athlete Award recognizes seniors who display dedication, commitment, and enthusiasm while contributing positively to the team's performance.

Iowa Air National Guard Citizenship Award

The Air National Guard Citizenship Award recognizes seniors for demonstrating the principles of citizenship within our school and our community.

Iowa Air National Guard Academic Award

The Air National Guard Academic Award honors seniors in recognition of citizenship, leadership, self-confidence, courage, and scholastic excellence.

United States Air Force Mathematics & Science Award

The United States Air Force Award recognizes a graduating senior for outstanding achievement in mathematics and science.

Glenn Theulen-Gail Davis Character Award

Mr. Glenn Theulen is a graduate of Perry High School, a veteran of both World War II and the Korean Conflict, who following a career as a college basketball coach returned to the Perry community as our town's mayor. Mr. Gail Davis is a graduate of Perry High School and along with his family successfully represented PHS in a number of athletic programs. This award is presented to a graduating senior involved in PHS activities who exemplifies the six pillars of character: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring, and citizenship.

Perry Activity Booster Club Senior Activity Award

Perry High School Senior Activity Awards are presented by the Perry Activity Booster Club to seniors who are involved in an activity as a senior.

LifeServe Blood Center Gallon Grad

LifeServe Blood Center recognizes students who made eight whole blood, four double red cell or apheresis donations, or a combination of these donations before May 1st of their graduation year. Students are honored for their commitment to saving lives, providing volunteer community service, and investing in the future of those who are in need of blood transfusions to save their lives.

Iowa State Bar Association Citizenship Award

The Iowa State Bar Association annually recognizes seniors for exemplary displays of citizenship, leadership, and service to the community.

Tom Schleicher Bluejay Way Award

Mr. Tom Schleicher was a Perry High School social studies teacher, school counselor, and coach. This award is presented to a student who demonstrates the "Bluejay Way" while displaying kindness, humor, compassion, resiliency, and humility.

John Philip Sousa Award

This award is presented for outstanding achievement and interest in instrumental music, for singular merit in loyalty and cooperation, and for displaying those high qualities of conduct which school instrumental music strives to impart.

iJAG Leadership Award

Iowa Jobs for America's Graduates (iJAG) is a program formed to develop a statewide system of school-to-work transition assisting students in overcoming multiple barriers to success and in becoming productive citizens. This award is presented in recognition of program leadership at Perry High School.

Dale Schumacher Industrial Technology Award

Mr. Dale Schumacher concluded an illustrious forty-two year career in 2007 as an industrial technology instructor and Skills USA advisor. He was recognized by his peers with numerous awards and honors. This award is presented to the outstanding industrial technology Perry High School senior.

Tom South SkillsUSA/TSA Award

Mr. Tom South was a long-time Perry High School industrial technology instructor and the originator of the Perry VICA program (now known as SkillsUSA). This award is presented to the outstanding SkillsUSA/TSA Perry High School senior.

Industrial Technology Outstanding Achievement Award

This award is for outstanding achievement and contributions to the Industrial Technology Department during their high school career.

Outstanding Strength & Conditioning Award

The Strength and Conditioning award is not meant necessarily for the person who is the strongest in class or the individual that has made the most gains in the weight room. The award is reserved for an individual who exemplifies dedication in the weight room and one who provides leadership through hard work each and every day in class.

Mike Garber Physical Education Award

Mr. Mike Garber concluded a twenty-nine year career in 2008 as a physical education instructor. Coach Garber held the position of head football coach and was a coach in the middle school and high school programs for football, basketball, and track & field. This award is presented to the outstanding senior physical education student.

George Soumas American History Award

Mr. George Soumas was a graduate of Perry High School. A United States Army Captain, he led American forces across the Bridge at Remagen. A local attorney, he served as Mayor of Perry. This award is presented to the outstanding American History senior.

Judge Van Wifvat American Government Award

Judge Van Wifvat was a graduate of Perry High School. A veteran of World War II, he returned to Perry to practice law. He later served as an Iowa District Court Judge. This award is presented to the outstanding American Government senior.

Emil Natalle World Studies Award

Mr. Emil Natalle was a surgical technician in World War II. He was captured during the Battle of the Bulge and served as a Prisoner of War. A frequent guest speaker at Perry High School, he was actively involved in our school's annual Veterans Day Program. This award is presented to an outstanding world studies senior.

Jim Kaufman Social Studies Award

Mr. Jim Kaufman was a social studies instructor and a coach at Perry High School for twenty years. He sponsored the annual Junior Class Washington D.C. trip and was known for his student-centered teaching style. This award is presented to the outstanding Social Studies senior.

PHS Economics Award

The Perry High School Economics award is presented by the Social Studies Department to a graduating senior.

Roger Emmert Senior Mathematician Award

Mr. Roger Emmert was a mathematics instructor at Perry High School for over thirty years. This award is presented to the outstanding senior Mathematics student.

Jeff Bice Memorial Award

Jeff Bice was a graduate of Perry High School. Drama and Speech benefited from Jeff's involvement. This award is presented annually to the outstanding Drama Department senior in the senior class.

Richard Ehlers-Kenneth Finer-Leon Fox Senior Science Award

Richard Ehlers (Chemistry/Physics), Ken Finer (Earth Science), and Leon Fox (Biology) were the Perry High School Science Department for 23 years from 1977 to 2000. This Award is given to seniors who have shown outstanding work in science throughout their high school careers.

David Pratt Outstanding Senior Artist Award

David Pratt was the Perry High School Art Instructor for over twenty years. The outstanding Senior Artist Award is presented by the Art Department recognizing a student who has demonstrated a commitment and an appreciation for the study of Art.

Utterback-Taylor Business Award

The Utterback-Taylor Business Award is named after Helen Utterback and Tom Taylor who were both long-time business department teachers at Perry High School. The award is given in honor of their commitment to the students and their devotion to excellence in business education. To receive this award, students must have excelled in a variety of business courses offered at Perry High School.

Perry High School Academic Letter

Perry High School Academic Letters are presented to seniors who achieve a grade point average of 3.0 for two consecutive semesters.

Perry High School Chapter of the National Honor Society

The National Honor Society recognizes seniors for scholarship, character, leadership, and service.

NASSP Citizenship Award

The National Association of Secondary School Principal's Citizenship Award is presented annually to seniors who have consistently demonstrated the principles of citizenship in their years at Perry Community High School.

President's Education Awards

The President's Education Awards recognize outstanding academic excellence.

The Spirit of a Bluejay Award

The Spirit of a Bluejay Award recognizes seniors for placing service to others as a major priority.

National Career Readiness Certificate

The National Career Readiness Certificate is a valuable resource that helps students prepare to succeed in a variety of career pathways. Employers recognize the NCRC as a way to improve their hiring and training decisions and as a way to have evidence of a skilled employee. There are 4 levels to the NCRC, Bronze, Silver, Gold and Platinum. Students can use the test as a way to build stackable credentials for their careers.

SCHOLARSHIPS

College and University Scholarships

The announced scholarships are awarded by private and public colleges offering both four year and two year programs of study.

Alex Macias Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is presented in memory of Perry High School student Alex Macias. Alex participated in track and wrestling. He is remembered for the smile that he often shared, his caring personality, and his love for his friends and family.

Lloyd & Anne Lane Scholarship

This scholarship was established through a trust by Lloyd and Anne Lane to provide scholarships for Perry students. The couple was longtime residents of Perry. Later, Anne was a resident of the Perry Lutheran home. Both valued hard work. They had no children of their own, but wanted to ensure they could help local students realize their dreams of attending college.

Floyd & Marjorie Patten Scholarship

Mr. Patten worked at Oscar Mayer and Mrs. Patten has been a piano teacher in Perry. Their children graduated from the Perry Community School District. This award is presented to a senior in honor of Mr. & Mrs. Patten.

Triumph Scholarship

This scholarship is presented by an anonymous donor family in Perry to a graduating senior.

P.E.O. (Chapter PD of Harlan) Scholarship

P.E.O. is a philanthropic organization where women celebrate the advancement of women; educate women through scholarships, grants, awards, loans, and stewardship; and motivate women to achieve their highest aspirations. The award is provided to a female graduating senior recognizing hard work and accomplishments.

Hispanic United for Perry Scholarship

The Hispanic United for Perry Scholarship is awarded to Latino seniors who have been involved in the community and wish to continue their education.

P.E.O. (Chapter DE, OK) Scholarship

Chapter DE and Chapter OK are Perry chapters of P.E.O. P.E.O. is a philanthropic organization where women celebrate the advancement of women; educate women through scholarships, grants, awards, loans, and stewardship of Cottey College; and motivate women to achieve their highest aspirations. The award is provided to a female graduating senior based on scholarship, character and service.

Matthew Shepard Scholarship

The Matthew Shepard Scholarship Program is granted to distinguished Iowa high school seniors who are openly lesbian, gay, bisexual, or transgender. Selection is based on academic aptitude, academic achievement, financial need, and community service, especially that which promotes tolerance and diversity.

Iowa Banker's Association Student Achievement Award

The Iowa Banker's Association presents a scholarship to one team member representing each of the four classes of the Iowa High School Athletic Association State Basketball Tournament qualifying teams.

Alliant Energy Innovation Scholarship

Alliant Energy values the people served throughout Wisconsin and Iowa by giving back to their communities. The new Innovation Scholarship program provides twenty-five \$1,000 college scholarships throughout their service territory. Students are selected not only for their academic record and educational aspirations, but also because of their innovative ideas on how to address the needs of their community.

Rotary Club Scholarship

The Perry Rotary Club annually presents the Perry Community School District Educator of the Year Award, the Civil Servant of the Year Award and the Perry Rotary Club Scholarship.

Lions Club Scholarship

The Perry Chapter of the Lions Club recognizes a graduating senior with a financial award each year.

Kiwanis Club Scholarship

Since 1958 the Perry Chapter of the Kiwanis Club recognizes a graduating senior with a financial award each year. To date, over \$75,000 in scholarships has been presented.

Optimist Club of Perry Scholarship

The Perry Optimist Club is the local chapter of Optimist International that has 2,900 clubs worldwide. The mission statement is: By providing hope and positive vision, Optimists bring out the best in kids. Our goal is to help kids develop to the best of their potential. This scholarship is presented to a graduating senior based on scholarship and community service who is planning on a career working with kids.

Beta Sigma Phi Scholarship

The Perry Chapter of the Beta Sigma Phi Sorority recognizes a graduating senior with a financial award each year.

Rowley Masonic Community Scholarship

Rowley Masonic Community is a thriving continuing care retirement community that provides all levels of care services to our most precious resources, the aging population. Rowley is dedicated to meeting the individual needs through innovative choices for living their lives as they desire. This award is presented to a graduating senior who will pursue a career in the medical field.

St. Patrick's Regina Guild Scholarship

The Regina Guild is a support group for St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Each year the Guild recognizes Perry High School seniors with this financial award.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship

The Knights of Columbus is a support group for St. Patrick's Catholic Church. Each year the Knights recognize Perry High School seniors with this financial award.

Perry Elks Lodge Scholarship

The Perry Elks Lodge Chapter recognizes a graduating senior with a financial award each year.

DMACC Foundation Scholarship

The Des Moines Area Community College Foundation was created to help assure educational excellence through charitable giving. Every year the DMACC Foundation receives generous gifts from DMACC Board members, faculty and staff members, area businesses and service organizations, and many, many other friends. These gifts enable the Foundation to offer scholarships to a number of deserving students. Scholarship recipients are selected by their essay, grade point average, and financial need.

DMACC Pathways Scholarship

The DMACC Pathways Scholarships are part of a statewide initiative to increase education and training in high demand career fields. DMACC's Industry and Technology department is awarding \$1,000 to selected students who were enrolled in a DMACC Career Academy who wish to pursue one of the signature high demand careers in the Industry and Technology field.

Perry Support Staff U.E. Local #895

The Perry Community Support Staff presents a scholarship to a graduating student who is a family member of the organization.

Raccoon Valley Radio Business & Broadcasting Scholarship

This award is presented to a graduating high school senior pursuing a degree in business or communications at a two year community college or four year university.

Tyson Scholarship

The Tyson Corporation annually presents a financial award to a graduating senior of Perry High School who has a parent that is employed at Tyson.

The Futbolito Soccer League and Perry All Stars Scholarship

This award is presented to students who have participated as soccer players in the Perry Soccer League and who also plan to continue with their post-secondary education. The students have demonstrated good sportsmanship and good character, during their time in the soccer league, while showing improvement in the sport.

Barnes Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship awards \$500 each year to the senior who earns the highest cumulative grade point average. In the event of a tie, the award goes to the student who has the higher college-placement test score. The scholarship is established in memory of Rolland and Millie Barnes, who graduated four children from Perry High School.

Robby Weber Memorial Scholarship

Glen and Teresa Weber and family award this scholarship in memory of their son, Robby. Robby is remembered for his competitive spirit and his achievements in track and cross country. This scholarship is presented by the Knights of Columbus.

Chuck Scott Hastings Memorial Scholarship

Chuck Scott Hastings, the son of Chuck and Dina Hastings, possessed a strong interest in the trade industries. This financial award is presented by his family to a Perry High School senior in his memory.

Dr. Eugene R. Brady Memorial Scholarship

Dr. Eugene Brady provided over thirty-five years of dedicated service to the students of the Perry Community School District. From 1974 until his retirement in 1997, Dr. Brady was the Principal at Perry Community High School. Dr. Brady was known for the emphasis and balance he placed on the development of citizenship, scholarship, athletic ability, and fine arts talents among the students under his leadership. One scholarship is sponsored by the family of Dr. Eugene Brady and an additional scholarship is sponsored by Dale and Bill Sundal, longtime acquaintances of Dr. Brady's family.

Joshua Davis Memorial Scholarship

This award is given in memory of United States Marine Corps Lance Cpl. Josh Davis, PHS '09, recognizing the value of dedication, commitment and self-motivation.

Joan McCarty Memorial Scholarship

Mrs. Joan McCarty was a strong supporter of the seniors of the Perry Community School District. This financial award is presented to a Perry High School senior in her memory.

Dr. Michael J. Brosnahan Memorial Scholarship

Finn and Laughlin Family Dentistry present a scholarship in honor of the late Dr. Michael J. Brosnahan to a graduating senior pursuing a college education in a health care field.

E. Ruth Garren Memorial Scholarship

Ruth Garren was a long-time Perry resident who throughout her life worked in several different restaurants and cleaned many homes. It was her desire that her estate be administered and used by the school district to provide post-high school nursing education to worthy graduates of Perry Community High School. It was her direction that the school district assists those students who evidenced significant interest in a nursing career and who might not otherwise be able to receive a nursing education without being the recipient of scholarship assistance.

Nailea Marquez Memorial Scholarship

Nailea (Nae Nae) Marquez was a student of the Perry Schools. She participated in many activities. Nailea always had a smile on her face and was always ready to make you laugh. This award is presented in Nailea's memory to a graduating senior at Perry High School.

Mary Waggle Memorial Scholarship and Award

Mrs. Mary Waggle was an elementary and middle school science teacher and a coach in the Perry Community School District. This award is presented annually to a graduating senior successfully involved in Perry High School activities, who has achieved academic excellence, and who represents the ideals of good citizenship.

Dan Garber Memorial Scholarship and Award

Dan Garber was a 1992 Perry High School graduate. He served as the team captain for football, wrestling, and track, as well as being actively involved in industrial technology. This award recognizes a senior who possesses the leadership qualities displayed by Dan at Perry High School and while serving in the United States Navy.

Trent Miner Memorial Scholarship

Trent "T-Bone" Miner was a 2004 graduate of Perry High School. He participated in golf, basketball, and a number of other activities while representing Perry Pride. Trent was selected for the Iowa Games Brian Pearson Scholarship. This award is presented in his memory to a graduating senior at Perry High School.

Bill Secress Osmundson Manufacturing Memorial Scholarship

Bill Secress was a lifelong resident of Perry and a 1964 Perry High School graduate. His wife Paula and daughter Tiffany are also graduates. Granddaughter Amani Al-Rashid will be a sophomore. He worked at Osmundson Manufacturing for 48 years as a key member of management, enjoying global travels with the company. This award given jointly by the Secress family and Osmundson Manufacturing recognizes his commitment and dedication.

Christopher Muhs Memorial Scholarship

Christopher Muhs was a graduate of Perry High School in 2001. He was actively involved in athletics and the fine arts. This award is presented in his memory to a senior in recognition of academic, fine arts, and athletic excellence.

LifeServe Blood Center Scholarship

High school students are vital to the success of the volunteer blood donor program. More than 25 percent of LifeServe Blood Center's overall donor base is comprised of students and more than 200 high schools organize and sponsor blood drives throughout the tri-state region. Each center offers a high school scholarship program to recognize these high school donors and/or drive organizers.

PHS Science-Technology Scholarship

This scholarship honors a student who has demonstrated an aptitude in science and technology, respect for students and staff, involvement in community and school activities, and enrollment in a community college or four year institution with a major in science or technology.

Bluejay Staff Scholarship

The staff of the Perry Community School District recognizes a graduating senior with a financial award.

Dean Witmer Memorial Scholarship

Dean Witmer was a long time Perry High School guidance counselor, social studies teacher, and coach. In 1964, he was the head baseball coach as the sport returned to PHS. He is known for his years as a golf coach, for an amazing memory, and for his commitment to our community. This award is presented to a senior who respects education and demonstrates the values that Mr. Witmer exhibited.

Judge Van Wifvat Memorial Scholarship

Judge Van Wifvat served the state of Iowa as a District Court Judge. A graduate of Perry High School, he was actively involved in speech and drama. This financial award is presented in his memory to a graduating senior active in speech and/or drama.

Ellie-John Bellon Memorial Scholarship

One of nine children, John was the only one to go to college. He was married with three children and a full time job when he achieved his goal of graduation from a junior college, earning a bachelor's degree, and then a master's degree. It took him ten years to complete. Education was valued.

Ladies Golf League Scholarship

The Ladies Golf League presents a scholarship to a graduating senior member of the Perry High School girls golf team.

Madelon Capp Carlile Scholarship

Darwin Carlile was a U.S. Army World War II veteran serving as a member of Merrill's Marauders in China, Burma, and India and being awarded a Purple Heart. He was a regular participant in the Perry High School Veterans Day program. Upon his death, his will established transfer of real estate to the Perry Community School District and the creation of the Madelon Capp Carlile Scholarship Fund in honor of his wife.

Raccoon Valley Bank Scholarship

Raccoon Valley Bank of Perry, Iowa annually presents a financial award to a graduating senior of Perry High School.

Beasley-Mills Memorial Scholarship

The Beasley-Mills Memorial Fund was established through the thoughtfulness of a California woman and former teacher, Elizabeth Mills Beasley who remembered the Perry Community Schools in her will. Because Perry was the hometown of her grandfather, James Mills, she decided to leave the money made from selling his farm to the Perry schools. The interest from this fund provides scholarships each year to graduating seniors who will be attending college in Iowa.

Oliver D. & Mary K. Boyer Memorial Scholarship

Mr. and Mrs. Boyer were Perry residents who established this scholarship to help Perry High School seniors who want to further their education. Mr. Boyer was a salesman and Mrs. Boyer was a nurse. Both were active in the Perry Community.

Dallas "Pete" & Joyce (Conklin) VanKirk Scholarship

Mr. and Mrs. Pete VanKirk are long time Perry residents. Mr. VanKirk moved to Perry, worked at the Progressive Foundry, and later became the owner. Mrs. VanKirk is a Perry High School graduate. Both have been very active in many community causes, whose spirit for Perry leads to a scholarship fund designed to recognize students who demonstrate achievement consistent with their ability.