

2011 Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc.  
Biographical Sketches of Scholarship Recipients



1. Courtney Reed - \$500

**A Scholarship from The David Goodman Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Courtney Reed. The representative for the scholarship is Barbara Pearce.**

Courtney is currently enrolled at the College of William and Mary. Her major is Kinesiology and Health Sciences in which she plans to become a physical therapist upon completion of her bachelor's degree. Her professor states that she is witty, sociable, hardworking, and bright and that she will make a fine health professional.

2. Craig Anderson - \$500

**A Scholarship from The Eldridge Sanderson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Craig Anderson. The representative for the scholarship is Ann Carol Sanderson.**

Craig is a senior at Cumberland High School where he holds a 3.0 GPA. He is extremely proud of the fact that he received his academic jacket, he was All-district linebacker, an honor roll student, the JROTC Battalion Executive Officer, and the JROTC most physically fit cadet. His goal is to complete college and in doing so, be commissioned as a second lieutenant in the military. He says "this is where my heart is." He plans to attend Thomas Nelson Community College, Virginia State University, or Norfolk State University

**3. Erica Williams - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The William and Ada Sanderson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Erica Williams. The representative for the scholarship is John W. Sanderson, Jr.**

Erica is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.0. She played on the volleyball team and was a captain in JROTC. She plans to attend Averett University. Her career goal is to become a special education teacher. This desire to become a teacher comes from working with special needs children of which you must enjoy and have patience.

**4. Tessa Gaskin - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland Clothes Closet in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Tessa Gaskin. The representative for the scholarship is Barbara Gamage.**

Tessa Gaskin is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.09. Her dreams are far reaching because she wants to get a bachelor's degree in Criminal Justice. She also wants a license in cosmetology, be certified in web design, a license in billing and coding as well as dabble in fashion design and retailing. She plans to go to John Tyler Community College, Bryant and Stratton College, Empire Beauty School or ECPI.

**5. Jessica Robinson - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The Spread Love Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Jessica Robinson. The representative for the scholarship is Gary Austin, the donor of this new scholarship.**

Jessica is a senior at Virginia Commonwealth University and has been accepted into the VCU Graduate School of Education beginning this coming Summer. She is entering the last year of a 5-year program to receive a Master's of Education degree in Biology Education. She plans to teach Biology to middle-school students in the Richmond area upon completion of her degree in the Spring of 2012. Her aunt is accepting her scholarship for she is in a final exam at the moment.

**6. Rashonda Randolph - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Rashonda Randolph. The representative for the scholarship is Chip Jones.**

Rashonda is a Senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.346. She is proud that she received her CAN license through HOSA which is a nursing program offered here at the High School. She is also proud of her volunteer work at the Woodlands Nursing home for the past two years. She plans to attend a four year university to become either an RN or an elementary school teacher. She hopes to attend VCU, Radford University or Virginia Union University.

**7. Haydyn Spencer - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Haydyn Spencer. The representative for the scholarship is Ernestine Sharpe.**

Haydyn is a Senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.13. She plans to major in Social Work. Her move from New York and then back to New York put her behind because of the repeating of some course work, but through it all, she is proud of the fact that she excelled to be able to keep her GPA up. She plans to attend VCU, John Tyler Community College, Virginia Union or Radford University.

**8. Sean Thornton - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Sean Thornton. The representative for the scholarship is Hazel Urquhart.**

Sean is a Senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.19. Sean says one of the most rewarding and eye-opening experiences he has ever had was working to help build a home through the Habitat for Humanity. He said after the experience, he realized that “self” wasn’t important anymore. What was important was helping someone else who had nothing and had to start over. Sean is proud of receiving his academic jacket as well as being an all state wrestler, all region runner and all region golfer. He plans to attend Campbell University, Radford University, ODU, or Ferrum College.

**9. Sarah Robinson - \$500**

**A Scholarship from The David Goodman Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$500 is awarded to Sarah Robinson. The representative for the scholarship is Bill Osl.**

Sarah is a junior Environmental Science major at Catawba College in Salisbury, North Carolina with a GPA of 3.96. She is currently pursuing a North Carolina Environmental Education certificate on top of her degree because she realized her aspirations to become an environmental educator in some capacity. When not involved in environmental pursuits, she continues to play her saxophone in the College Wind Ensemble and Pep Band. She also helps make decisions concerning the honor’s program at Catawba.

**10. Bettina Scales - \$500**

**A Scholarship from the Marvin Jones Family Memorial Scholarship and the \$500 is awarded to Bettina Scales. The representative for the scholarship is Martha Reid.**

Bettina is upcoming junior at Norfolk State University with a GPA of 3.489. She plans to be a historian or a History teacher. Her high school career has catapulted her into college with the desire to continue to be involved and excel. She states that every person needs to go to college with the goal of becoming a productive citizen of the world.

**11. Amanda Djubek - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Garland and Nancy Sanderson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Amanda Djubek. The representative for the scholarship is Jocelyn S. Crooker.**

Amanda is a Senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.695. She plans to attend James Madison University or the University of Virginia to receive a bachelor's degree in Nursing. By the end of her senior year here at Cumberland High School, she expects to receive her CNA license. She states that she has learned a lot about helping people and she wants that to continue.

**12. Amanda Giles - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Eric L. Robinson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Amanda Giles. The representative for the scholarship is Audrey Robinson.**

Amanda is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.777. She plans to attend Longwood University in the Fall of 2011 to major in Criminal Justice. She also plans to enroll in their five year Master's program in an attempt to secure a job as a Crime Scene Investigator. She is proud of her internship with the Prince Edward Sheriff's Department as her senior project.

**13. Anita Scales - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from Marvin Jones Family Memorial Scholarship and the Cumberland Alumni Basketball Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Anita Scales. The representatives for the scholarships are Van Petty for the Foundation and Ron Spears for the Basketball Alumni Scholarship.**

Anita is an upcoming sophomore at Norfolk State University with a GPA of 3.379. She is majoring in pre-professional Biology. She is proud of the fact that Cumberland High School afforded her an Advanced Studies diploma as well as an Associate's degree from Southside Virginia Community College. She plans to obtain a Master of Science degree in Physiology and then attend medical school to ultimately become a Radiologist at a children's hospital or a cancer research hospital.

**14. Heather Fowler - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from the Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Heather Fowler. The representative is Dr. Amy Griffin.**

Heather is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 4.37. She will earn an Associates degree in General Studies as a Governor's School student. As busy as she was with academics, she found time to play JV and varsity volleyball and softball as well as Cumberland Youth League

soccer and a member of Cumberland's JROTC program. She also works at Applebee's. She plans to major in biology with a pre-veterinary focus and eventually earn a Doctor of Veterinary Medicine degree.

**15. Jessica Frayser - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from the Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Jessica Frayser. The representative for the scholarship is Lois Arthur.**

Jessica is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.936. She has always wanted to be a teacher. She will attend Christopher Newport University in Newport News, Virginia as part of the President's Leadership Team. She has enjoyed sports in high school and learned to love JROTC because it taught her time management skills and allowed her to serve as the public affairs officer. She is among several of classmates receiving an associate's degree upon graduating from high school.

**16. Brandi Hallik - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The William and Ada Sanderson Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Brandi Hallik. The representative for the scholarship is John W. Sanderson, Sr.**

Brandi is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.65. She plans to major in Psychology upon entering college and expects to take the next eight years completing both a masters and a doctorate in that field. She would like to become a psychologist with her own practice in the Farmville or surrounding area. She also doesn't want you to forget that she also plans to get married and have a family, but after college!

**17. Monai Holman - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc. in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Monai Holman. The representative for the scholarship is Jeff Dingeldein.**

Monai is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.96. Another associate's degree recipient from Southside Virginia Community College, she plans to major in Business Administration and Management through attainment of a master's degree. She also wants to own a beauty shop where she gets to make all the decisions about how the business is run. She believes, though, that she needs work experience in a corporation or business to learn what it takes to be successful.

**18. Javonda Holman - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Elliott Irving Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Javonda Holman. The representatives for the scholarship are family members Megan and Chris Irving.**

Javonda is a senior at Cumberland High School with a 3.34 GPA. She wants to major in Business, specifically accounting and finance at Virginia State University. According to her essay, she mentions how school and church plays an important role in “keeping her out of trouble.” In church, she is in charge of her praise dance ministry where she also feels she is a good role model for younger girls. She thinks this, in turn, will keep them out of trouble as well.

**19. Madeline Sullivan - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Womans Club of Cumberland, the Eldridge Sanderson Memorial Scholarship and the Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Madeline Sullivan. Representatives of the scholarships are Pat Bickel for the Womans Club, Ginger Sanderson for the Eldridge Sanderson Memorial, and Beverly Hill for the Foundation.**

Madeline is a senior at Cumberland High School with a 3.96 GPA. She will receive her Associate’s degree and is also a licensed CNA. She will attend James Madison University to study Nursing. After receiving a bachelor’s degree in nursing, she plans on working as a registered nurse in a hospital. After getting experience as an RN for a while, she plans to return to school to become a Nurse Practitioner.

**20. Sarah Wells - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland Clothes Closet in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Sarah Wells. The representative for the scholarship is Kathy Skelly.**

Sarah is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 4.11. She plans to enter a four year college to receive a bachelor’s degree in Biology, after receiving an associate’s degree this year like some of her classmates. She plans to attend the University of Virginia continuing there for medical school or go out of state to Yale University. She prides herself on her volunteer work in her community. She believes this is extremely important, especially to help those who can’t help themselves.

**21. Sierra McKay - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Joshua I. Smith Memorial Scholarship and the Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Sierra McKay. The representatives for the scholarships are Nathaniel Staton for the Joshua Smith scholarship and Cliff White for the Foundation.**

Sierra is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 4.11. She plans on attending Flagler University, a private college in St. Augustine, Florida. She will major in psychology for her bachelor's degree. She may return to Virginia afterwards to continue to pursue psychology or pursue an occupation as a marriage and family counselor. But until such time, between now and then, she plans to live life to the fullest and enjoy all the random things that come up.

22. **Stacey Marshall - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland Clothes Closet in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Stacey Marshall. The representative for the scholarship is Edith Norcross.**

Stacey is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 4.285. She has a CNA license and is very excited to pursue her studies further. She says she feels honored to become the first student at Cumberland High School to be accepted directly into Longwood University's nursing program. She plans to become a registered nurse as well as work in a nursing home. She ultimately wants to move into the home health care field. She would like to still live in the area so that she can give back to the community.

23. **Alvin Lewis - \$1,000**

**A Scholarship from The David Goodman Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,000 is awarded to Alvin Lewis. The representative for the scholarship is Herbert Goodman.**

Alvin is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.34. He starts his essay in a way that makes the reader continue to read. He states: "One day I believe that I can conquer anything in my path like superman." He says that computers are his getaway and it seems as though he wants to be able to understand them so that he can have a positive effect on those that do harm with them. He lists four colleges he's interested in but didn't choose one in his essay. I assume as superman, he will attend all four at the same time!

24. **Victoria Bowles - \$1,500**

**A Scholarship from The Cumberland Clothes Closet and the Joshua I. Smith Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 is awarded to Victoria Bowles. The representatives for the scholarships are Barbara Daniels for the Clothes Closet and Pamela Staton for the Joshua I. Smith scholarship.**

Victoria is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.6. She has received her Certified Nursing Assistant license and plans to go to college to become a registered nurse. She also wants to enjoy sorority life in college as well as finally learn how to play the violin. She wants to jump right into her nursing career after college working at a respected hospital. There are quite a number of other things Victoria wants to do including delivering a baby and he she can, muster enough courage someday to swim with sharks!

**25. Ayla Coffey - \$1,500**

**A Scholarship from The Joshua I. Smith Memorial Scholarship and the Ryan Marion Memorial Scholarship in the amount of \$1,500 is awarded to Ayla Coffey. The representatives for the scholarships are Lalitha Baker for the Joshua I. Smith scholarship and Ryan's parents, Jay Marion and Karen Whetzel.**

Ayla is a senior at Cumberland High School with a GPA of 3.85. She plans to pursue a bachelor's degree in Hospitality/Hotel and Restaurant Management. As a dual enrollment student, she recognizes the importance of being allowed to college courses while being a high school student. She intends to own her own restaurant someday. She states that the private colleges she wants to attend requires quite a bit of funding. Her desire is attend Sullivan University, the Louisville campus, in Kentucky.

**On behalf of the Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc., we would like to thank you all for coming this evening. We would like to give a special thanks to all of the families who help make this event possible by your generous giving representing a loved one and our community organizations that see to it that the Cumberland County community's kids will go to college with their help. If you represent that family or organization, please stand as I call the scholarships name:**

- 1. The Joshua I. Smith Memorial Scholarship**
- 2. The Ryan Marion Memorial Scholarship**
- 3. The William and Ada Sanderson Memorial Scholarship**
- 4. The Eldridge Sanderson Memorial Scholarship**
- 5. The Garland and Nancy Sanderson Memorial Scholarship**

- 6. The Eric Robinson Memorial Scholarship**
- 7. The David Goodman Memorial Scholarship**
- 8. The Marvin Jones Family Memorial Scholarship**
- 9. The Womans Club of Cumberland Scholarship**
- 10. The Clothes Closet Scholarship**
- 11. The Spread Love Scholarship**
- 12. The Elliott Irving Memorial Scholarship**
- 13. The Cumberland Alumni Basketball Scholarship**
- 14. The Cumberland County Public Schools Foundation, Inc.**