



# EAGLE CAP SHOOTERS

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Dear Eagle Cap Shooters,

On behalf of the Eagle Cap Shooters Officers and Board of Directors and our Scholarship Committee, it is our great pleasure to announce the selection of our two scholarship awards for the 2026/27 academic year. Two Wallowa County graduating senior high school students have been chosen—Mr. Grayson Hawkins and Ms. Emmerson Hook, both of whom currently attend Joseph Charter School. Each will receive an award in the amount of \$1,750 to help support their 2026/27 post-secondary education goals.

We have notified them of our decision and we plan to formally present them checks and award letters at our May general meeting. The meeting will convene at 6:30 pm on Monday, May 11 at the Enterprise VFW Hall, at 800 River St. (across the highway from Les Schwab) in Enterprise, Oregon. You are welcome to attend that meeting and offer your own congratulations to them.

Thanks to you all for supporting the scholarship program and we welcome any comment or question you may have. We received a total of 12 applications, of which 6 were from Eagle Cap member families. Both of the scholarship winners belong to member families. Three applicants attend at Joseph and eight were from Enterprise, with one from Wallowa. Applications were solicited from all three high schools as well as Alternative, home school, and private school students.

The two finalists had outstanding records of school performance and community service but that was true of other applicants as well. What set these two apart was their very strong essays on the Second Amendment and firearms education, safety and training, especially for youth—concepts that are central to our mission. For example, both made a strong case for universal firearms training, similar to driver's training, as a means to reduce accidental fatalities and anti-gun attitudes, especially in urban settings. As they observed, firearms are tools, subject to proper and improper use. All in all, we are proud to support such deserving students.

Once again, thanks for your support for scholarships for local high school graduates.

Best regards,

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