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2025-2026

SCHOLARSHIP
AWARD NIGHT



2025-2026 COS Scholarship Night

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Brooke – Scholarship Recipient***

COS Scholarship Night Program

Welcome -

Tim Foster
COS Foundation Director

Donor Message -

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Presentation of Scholarship Awards -

Tim Foster

Presentation of Scholarships:

Andrea Culver Memorial - \$1,000

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Gabriel Woods		

ACEC – Sequoia Chapter – Alan Ross (Transfer) - \$1,000

Donor: ACEC Sequoia Chapter – Presented by: Soo Ho Park
Logan Eastham
Rogelio Salcedo

Carmen Skaff Memorial Scholarship - \$2,500

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Jasmine Guerrero*

The Bettencourt Family Scholarship - \$1,000

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*Donor: Various – Presented by: Sylvia Vaca Montion
Aidan Coyne*

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*Donor: Various – Presented by: Melanie Beatty
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Donor: Tulare County Medical Society, Foundation for Medical Care & Key Medical Group – Presented by:
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Leslie Alacraz-Verduzco	Jessica Pobleta Blas	Janiece Bolin
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Daniel Mendes	Osbaldo Orozco Ibarra	Cassidy Pierce

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Kassandra Barraza	Miriam Bonilla Hernandez	An Bui
Jennifer Estes	Sabrina Lafontaine	Jose Madrigal
Alondra Morales	Noemi Nevarez	Cassidy Pierce
Adam Rosenfield	Samantha Ruvalcaba	Sergio Vargas

Giant Dream Center – I Dream Big Scholarship - \$150-1,000

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Valeria Bernal Flores	Wendy Bernal Flores	Ulises Bugarin
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Additional Scholarship Recognitions-

Tim Foster

Donor Highlight – Bernice Arnett Wilke Memorial - \$10,000

*Donor: Mary Arnett – Presented by: Tim Foster
Elias Fricke*

Donor Highlight – COS Physical Therapy - \$4,000

Donor: Anonymous – Presented by: Jonna Schengel

Dylan Chao	Alisina Faal	Casey Hawes
Pedro Hernandez	Leonardo Villicano	

Finish Line Scholars - \$4,000-\$8,000

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Aidee Perez	Kiana Reynaga	Jasmin Rios-Garcia
Roohaniat Sidhu	Victor Trujillo	Sergio Vargas
Keegan Yancy	Marcela Galvez	Faith Gonzalez
Brian Mariscal	Christopher Rosales Estrada	Josiah Silva

Closing Message -

**Dr. Brent Calvin
COS Superintendent/President**

Additional Scholarships Awarded This Year to Deserving Students:

Celestine Camp Memorial - \$250 – Donor: David Jones

Ainsley Klassen

Jordan Paluch

Christopher Campbell Caughron Memorial - \$250 – Donor: Hunter Church-Gonzales

Miriam Hernandez

Kylie Correia

Wenhui Deng

Mackenzie Enriquez

Jakie & Jamie Lunstad Memorial - \$250 – Donor: Pete & Jennie Lunstad, Carrie Lunstad Brinkley & Family

Sophia Gonzalez

Maria Rincon Memorial - \$250 – Donor: Various

Blanca Gutierrez

Maria Rincon & Sara Rodriguez Memorial - \$250 – Donor: Various

Cynthia Avila

Puente Mentor – Mayra Morfin Shining Bright Scholarship- \$250 – Donor: Puente

Jaime Padilla

Puente Mentor – Valerie Martinez Shining Bright Scholarship – \$250 – Donor: Puente

Jesus Padilla

Richard L Grajeda Memorial - \$250 – Donor: Various

Emmari Montor

Sharon Camp Memorial - \$250 – Donor: David Jones

Keith Flores

Gustavo Farias

Veterans Scholarship Fund - \$250-\$500 – Donor: Veterans Club

Kimberly Ellis

Michael Jones

Bruce Jensen Memorial - \$275-700 – Donor: Visalia Host Lions Club Members

Ana Gonzalez

Ana Ramos Anaya

Valeria Vasquez

CSEA - \$300 – Donor: CSEA Members

Valerie Lopez

CSEA – Charlie Spray - \$300 – Donor: CSEA Members

Keegan Yancy

CSEA – Jim Bowen - \$300 – Donor: CSEA Members

Lauren Zantos

Puente Mentor – Mrs. G's Leadership Scholarship - \$300 – Donor: Puente

Alexx Frausto

Sadie Villareal

Rush Family Scholarship - \$450 – Donor: Charles & Elaine Rush

Kevin Anderson

Emmari Montor

Anne Ropes – Incoming /Continuing - \$500 – Donor: Margaret Baker & Charlotte Ritchie

Felipe Arambula	Kimberly Contreras-Serrano	
Edith Gonzalez-Mendoza	Alondra Morales	Nydeline Rosales-Raya

C. Burrel Hyde Memorial - \$500 – Donor: David Hyde

Ellie Scheer

Cecile Cafferkey Memorial- \$500 – Donor: Cecile Cafferkey Trust

Rahim Pullom

Child Development Scholarship - \$500-\$2,000 – Donor: The Belay Foundation

Kassandra Barraza	Joselyn Fernandez	Daniela Gutierrez Romo
Taylor Heine	Melissa Hvass	Harpreet Kaur
Sabrina Lafontaine	Araceli Mangohig	Alondra Morales
Catherine Morales	Sunnaia Munoz	Noemi Nevarez
Gavin Perez	Jasmine Rodriguez	Maria Salazar
Celeste Sanchez	Giavona Slaton	Ahtziri Tejeda
Celeste Valdonios	Kaylee Warren	Ximena Zamudio
Yaping Zhao		

Clarence H. Wilson Memorial -Incoming/Continuing - \$500 – Donor: Various

Clarissa Leanna Hill	Cynthia Martinez	Reese Mendes
Angelina Miranda		

COS Agriculture Scholarship - \$500 – Donor: Various

Isabella Flores	Skye Gomez	Faith Gonzalez
Monserrath Sanchez		

COS Foundation – Continuing - \$500 – Donor: Various

Deon Allison	Abcde Arguello	Abelino Garcia
Yufan He	Aidan Leonard	Irene Liang
Emma Malek	Lovleen Sangha	Roohaniat Kaur Sidhu
Chanelle Soto		

COS Foundation – Incoming - \$500 – Donor: Various

Evelyn Acosta	Noemi Aldana	Bryana Barragan Perez
Addison Dennewitz	Anabelle Garcia	Jaina Gilkinson
Madalynn Grant	Iris Martinez	Reign McGhee
Hernan Robles Ramirez		

COS Hall of Fame - \$500 – Donor: Various

Jannine Ocampo Islas

E. Rose Frea Memorial Scholarship - \$500 – Donor: Mr. & Mrs. Brian Frea, Nanette Villarreal, & Mr. & Mrs. Barry Willis

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Howard Raphael Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Genevieve Raphael

Anthony Illan

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Independent Help - \$500 – Donor: Kate Spaunhurst

Joselyn Fernandez

Juana Espinoza

Maria Rodriguez

Irving & Barbara Fritz Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Various

Jordan Brooke Watkins

Jean Otto Memorial - \$600 – Donor: Various

Harpreet Kaur

Jeannette Orford Sense Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Edgar Sense

Marcela Galvez

Lizette Rodriguez

Jeremy Peter Cormier Memorial Scholarship - \$500 – Donor: Tyler Davis

Ana Ramos Anaya

John Combs Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Miyake Family

Reese Bryant

Abigail Peterson

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Armando Delacruz

Rogelio Salcedo

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Ainsley Klassen

Juan Ordaz Herrera

Jordan Paluch

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Jamie Casas

Christopher Garcia

Gavin Perez

Yaping Zhao

Lee McDonald Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Cyndy McDonald

Jeremy Hill

Emma Malek

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Wendy Hernandez

Wendy Holguin

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Elisa Melgosa

Newell Bringhurst Social Science Scholarship - \$500 Newell and MaryAnne Bringhurst

Isabella Monique Baeza

Mary Quilty Scholarship - \$500 – Donor: Various

Alexandra Verduzco

Miriam Younce Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Various

Danielle Solorio

PEO Nursing Scholarship Chapter WR - \$500 – Donor: PEO Chapter WR Members

Tonya Hedden

Rebecca Vang

PEO Physical Therapy Chapter WR - \$500 – Donor: PEO Chapter WR Members

Veronica Agyeman

Cynthia Moreno-Barriga

Puente Club – Claudia Romero-Haro Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Puente

Mateo Fernandez

Puente Club – Continuing - \$500 – Donor: Puente

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Esmeralda Rosales Juarez

Puente Mentor – Anita De La Vega Memorial - \$500 – Donor: Puente

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Christopher Menchaca

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Anthony Illan

Sioban Lott

Monamari Presto

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Polina Shumska

Luis Vargas

Sadie Villareal

Yaping Zhao

COS Medical Scholarship - \$1,000 – Donor: Anonymous

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Maria Magana Silva

Josue Ponce

Raquel Silva

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Lovleen Sangha

Brandon Swerdlow

Genesis Torres

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Jordan Paluch

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Alba Anzures	Paulina De La Torre Garcia	Sara Garcia
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Linh Ho	Mariela Juarez	Brian Mariscal
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Marileigh Coon

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Kylie Wintz	Lisa Yang	

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