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DUTCHESS COUNTY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY, INC. ANNOUNCES 2023  
AGRICULTURE SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

(RHINEBECK, NY) - Dutchess County Fair President/CEO Andy Imperati announced today that 4 youths were awarded scholarships by the Dutchess County Agricultural Society Scholarship committee. These students are seeking higher education at an accredited two- or four-year college or university in the Fall of 2023. The recipients were recognized on Wednesday, July 19, during the annual Agricultural Society's dinner meeting.

"In the past, the scholarship award was \$8,000. It's been increased to \$10,000. We continue to support our youth who choose to pursue a career in agriculture, or a career related to agriculture or horticulture," stated Andy Imperati, President/CEO of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society (Dutchess County Fairgrounds).

Scholarship applicants were evaluated in a variety of areas including Dutchess County Fair participation, grade point average, community involvement and leadership roles.



The scholarships are funded through the generosity of the Dutchess County Agricultural Society, Inc., a 501c(3) non-profit organization.

Autumn Prezzano, of Red Hook, was selected to receive the \$10,000 scholarship plus a one time additional \$7,500 award.

The following students were selected to receive a one time Achievement Award:

Brendan Scoralick, of Poughquag  
Lauryn Menz, of Red Hook  
Amanda Dillinger, Pine Plains

The 177th annual Dutchess County Fair will be held Aug. 22 - 27 in Rhinebeck.

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