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ACE Mentor Program of Oregon awards \$115,000 in college scholarships to Portland-area seniors

PORTLAND, OREGON – The ACE Mentor Program of Oregon last week awarded **a record \$115,000 in college scholarships to 17 Portland-area seniors** interested in pursuing careers in architecture, construction management and engineering.

The local ACE program has awarded \$942,500 in college scholarships to 192 Oregon students since its inception in 2006. These young people are graduating from college and emerging as promising talent in their fields.

"What a year it has been!" said ACE Board Secretary Kate MacKinnon Kiser of TriMet, chair of the ACE Scholarship Committee. "The scholarship applications really displayed the drive students have to impact the built environment in a positive way through these career paths, and we also saw that so clearly in the final projects as well."

This year's scholarship recipients are:

- \$10,000 scholarship:** Le Duong, Gresham High; Olivia Nord, Liberty High
- \$8,000 scholarship:** Emily Dahbura, Early College High, Salem-Keizer; Xanthus Silverstein, Franklin High; Logan Oates, Benson Polytechnic High; Andrew Gorecki, Corbett High
- \$6,000 scholarship:** Maysen Running, Lakeridge High; Eddy Calel and Ryan Chong, Reynolds High; Hanna Gibson, Sam Barlow High; Keigan Hunt, Roosevelt High; Caden Perry, Parkrose High; Charlie Weinger, McDaniel High; Adamaryz Gomez, Westview High; Bryce Truong, Sunset High; Kendall Morrissey, International School of Beaverton
- \$3,00 scholarship:** Lea Rocheleau, Lincoln High (*recipient of Kate MacKinnon Kiser Scholarship*)

Olivia Nord of Liberty High School was also the recipient of ACE's national scholarship, a \$20,000 CMiC Scholarship. These awards are aimed at talented ACE high school seniors intending to pursue careers in architecture, engineering, construction or the skilled trades.

ACE is an after-school mentoring program that helps 100 to 150 Portland-area high school students a year find their paths toward careers in **Architecture, Construction and Engineering** through hands-on, project-based career learning. ACE inspires local students to continue their education after high school, helps them make informed career decisions, and uses business donations to provide college scholarships. For more information, please visit: www.acementoroforegon.com

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