

Friends of CRLS Scholarships Program Growing

Friends of Cambridge Rindge and Latin School (FoCRLS) presented \$24,700 in college scholarships and graduate awards to 24 members of the Cambridge Rindge and Latin School (CRLS) Class of 2015 in June. FoCRLS, a 501c3 nonprofit association creating and expanding opportunities at CRLS since 2006, surpassed their previous record of \$15,600 to the Class of 2014 by \$9,100 (almost 60%). The scholarship fund, which started in 2010 with two scholarships, is increasing even further for the class of 2016.

Recipients were selected through a rigorous competitive review process, based variously on academic merit, financial need, personal essays, character, community service, cultural background, and academic and professional goals.

Congratulations to the recipients of these scholarships:

Friends of CRLS First Scholars Awards (\$1,000 each) to

Etianna Alcius-Etienne (attending Suffolk University this fall),

Abdoulaye Barry (UMass Boston), and Marisol Melendez (Massachusetts College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences);

CRLS "Core Values" Scholarships (\$1,000 each) to Lara Adekeye (Boston University), Linda Mindaye (Clark University), and Lucy Sternbach (Yale University); *Dr. Christopher Saheed Future Educators Scholarships* (\$1,000 each) to

Arianna Saunders (Wheelock College) and Isabelle Stephen (McGill University); *Dr. David A. Link Scholarship for the*

Health Professions (\$1,000) to Prapti Koirala (Wellesley College); *Mary Frances Monti Scholarship* (\$1,000) to

Sophia Roderick (UMass Amherst); *Daphne S. Powell Scholarship* (\$1,000) to Abdullahi Dirir (Bates College);

CRLS/Children's Hospital Basketball Fundraiser Scholarships (\$1,000) to Logan Chen (Worcester Polytechnic Institute),

Carlos Aquino-Navarro (Bridgewater State University), and Elorpheton Deneus (Bryant University); *Scholarship*

Honoring Allan Gehant and Janani Nathan (\$1,000) to Betelhem Tesfaye (Colby-Sawyer College); *Betty Curry*

Scholarship for Mathematics (\$1,000) to Sheikh Nasher (Suffolk University); *Maria J. Tavares Memorial Scholarship*

(\$1,000) to Sandro Lafontant (Fisher College); and *Colonel and Mrs. Henry Bayard McCoy Memorial Scholarships*

(\$2,200 each) to Chhoyang Cheshatsang (UMass Amherst), Jasper Jeffrey, and Mohammed Uddin (UMass Boston).

Congratulations to the recipients of these graduate awards: *Fresh Start Construction Corporation Award for*

Carpentry (\$500) to Saleh Jiddawi-Nunley; and *Charlene Holmes Memorial Awards* (\$200 each) to

Brett McFarland, Taysia Holmes-Maxwell, and James Yearwood.

Friends of CRLS is developing scholarships for 2016 and beyond. The "100 by 100" Cambridge Business Community Scholarships, The Rose and Victor Rifkin Family Scholarship, and The Calvin Hicks Memorial Award for the Study of Music are among those to be presented to future CRLS graduates.

Potential donors and sponsors can learn more by emailing info@focrls.org, calling 857-235-9290, or visiting focrls.org/scholarships.



CRLS Class of 2015 members (l-r) Elorpheton Deneus, Lucy Sternbach, Isabelle Stephen, and Abdullahi Dirir are among graduates presented scholarships by Friends of CRLS (Roses courtesy of Brattle Square Florist)