

The Mountain of Hope Organization presented the following scholarships during the Oak Hill High School Award Assembly on May 8, 2025



PICTURED FROM LEFT TO RIGHT:

**Cade Vargo-Thomas, Kalista Gray, Megan Gilkerson,  
Delaney Hames , Emily Harlan, Jakob Yearego, Joseph Yearego**

**CADE VARGO-THOMAS--** has been active in the National Honor Society where he served as treasurer. He was also a four-year participant in HSTA (Health Science Technology Academy) Student Council representative and elected Homecoming King. His future plans are to attend MU to major in Economics and minoring in Marketing with a goal of eventually branching out into Real Estate.

**KALISTA GRAY--** has been a member of the Band where she was served as a captain. She has attended the Fayette Institute of Technology (FIT) served as vice President and attended UPWARD BOUND for 3 years. A member of the National Honor Society, she has also served as a tutor for the elementary school. WVU is her future goal and wants to eventually own her own business.

**REBECCA GILKERSON-** has participated in Soft Ball and in the Junior Nursing Academy at Fayette Institute of Technology. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has been active in many community Activities such as Special Olympics. WVUIT is in her horizon where she will pursue a degree in Nursing. Eventually she would like to become a Nurse Anesthetist.

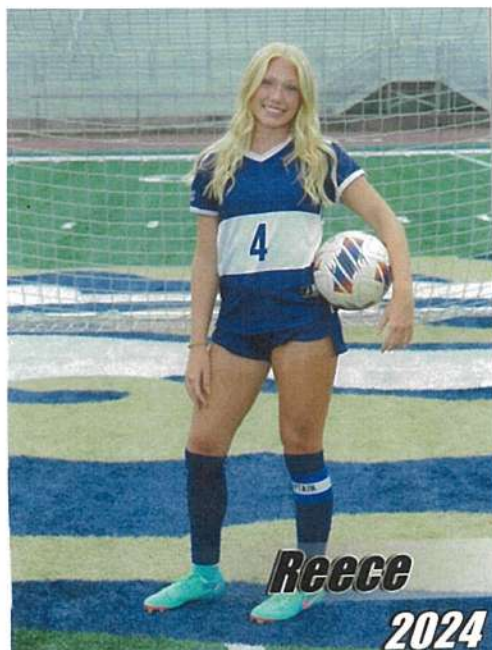
**DELANEY HAMES—**has been a four-year participant in Student Council where she served as Secretary. As a member of the National Honor Society, she also was on the induction committee. Active in a variety of community affairs, such as Oak Heal Outreach and community services, Her future goal is to continue working with children in this capacity as a Communication and Disorders major at West Virginia University.

**EMILY HARLAN-** has actively participated in Soccer and was a member of the National Honor Society. Her future aspirations are to attend West Virginia University to pursue a degree in psychology and Criminology.

**JAKOB YEAREGO—**was a member of the Band for four years and had the honor of participating in All County Band for three years. He was also in the Percussion Assemble. His future goals are to attend the online program of F.I.R.S.T College Maitland, Florida where he will be focusing on varied programs in the film industry.

**JOSEPH YEAREGO—**has attended the Fayette Institute of Technology for two years where he received a special commendation. He plans on pursuing a degree in Forensic Pathology at either Concord University or West Virginia Institute of Technology

The following students were presented with their scholarships at their respective schools,



**REECE KEFFER**— was a four-year participant in Track at Shady Springs High where she qualified for All State. She was also a four-year member of the Soccer team and member of the National Honor Society. Her future plans are to attend West Virginia Institute of Technology and attain a degree in nursing. Her long-term goal is to become a Nurse Practitioner.



**ALEXANDRIA PARKER**—was a member of the National Honor Society as well as the Spanish National Honor Society at Spring Valley High. She was a member of the basketball, volleyball and track teams where she received All State Recognition. West Liberty University is where she will attend on a basketball scholarship and her future goal is to receive a degree in Biology with future aspirations in either Pre Dental or Pre Med fields.