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**Reach Higher Montana Announces Winners of Senior Send-Off Contest,  
Awarding Nearly \$40,000 in Scholarships and Prizes**

Helena, MT – Reach Higher Montana, a leading nonprofit organization committed to promoting college and career readiness among Montana's students, is pleased to announce the winners of its highly anticipated Senior Send-Off contest. With great enthusiasm and pride, Reach Higher Montana awarded scholarships and prizes totaling almost \$40,000 to deserving high school seniors across the state.

The Senior Send-Off contest aims to celebrate and support graduating seniors as they embark on their post-secondary education or career journey. This year's contest received an overwhelming response from talented students throughout Montana.

**Senior Send-Off 2023 Winners:**

**\$1000 Scholarship or Tool Package**

Daniel Peterson	Polson HS
Tanner Deeble	Shelby HS
Tia Carpentier	Ronan HS
Edward Little	Polson HS
Bryce Lee	Shelby HS
Maria Hanson	Butte HS
Dempsey Ireland	Helena HS
Gracie Brockie	Harlem HS
Kadence Nissley	Dawson County HS
Traelik Stops at Pretty Places	Hardin HS
Hailey Hakes	Ronan HS
Kylie Marie Lucier	St. Regis HS
Madison Perry	Ronan HS
Amilia Blackcrow	Harlem HS
Austynn May	Jefferson HS
Gabriel Philbrick	Florence-Carlton HS
Elle Broquist	Charles M. Russell HS
Kadynce Morgan	St. Ignatius HS

Megan Benjamin  
Charlie Serafin

Shelby HS  
Park HS

### **Laptops**

Tyler Brunner  
Gwynivere Cusak  
Mariah Creason  
Joryn Bunnell  
Malea Moore  
Dustin Charles Ploof  
Ashlyn Burnett  
Mazzie Leifson  
April Wood  
Jeremy Wyena

Billings Senior HS  
Lockwood HS  
Park HS  
Shelby HS  
Harlem HS  
Winifred HS  
Butte HS  
Polson HS  
Powder River Cty HS  
Ronan HS

### **Tablets**

Kiara Tooley  
Trent Wilson  
Madilyn House  
Lathan Anderson  
Garret Hendrix  
Jack Nelson  
Callie Kaiser  
Nicholas Andersen  
Ashley Carroll  
Reid Johnson

Billings West HS  
Polson HS  
Shelby HS  
Ronan HS  
Shelby HS  
East Helena HS  
Twin Bridges HS  
Florence-Carlton HS  
Shepherd HS  
Twin Bridges HS

### **Airpods**

Grace Stickney  
Shea Ostberg  
Brilee Peters  
Atticus Atkins  
Kaydance Richem  
Garrett Watterman  
Tyler VandenBos  
Alexander Stansell  
Gracie Hamilton  
Ashley Heinrich

Flathead HS  
Fairfield HS  
Harlowton HS  
Darby HS  
Choteau HS  
Custer County HS  
Valier HS  
Shelby HS  
Hamilton HS  
Capital HS

### **\$100 College Gift Cards**

Aniya Long Knife  
John David  
Raefe Russette  
Kyler Bates

Harlem HS  
Polson HS  
Rocky Boy HS  
Florence-Carlton HS

Emily Anders	Park City HS
Chesney Lowe	Thompson Falls HS
Leah Naber Y Rosario	Fergus HS
Remi Stalheim	Ronan HS
Maria Hanson	Butte HS
Abi Krantz	Powder River County HS
Bridger Seifert	Polson HS
Rylee Smith	Custer County HS
Dalvay Joyce Astle	Billings West HS
Lindsay Lawrence	Garfield County HS
Kacey Christensen	Charles M. Russell HS
MaKenzie Sheils	Columbus HS
Natalie Roberts	Thompson Falls HS
Sarah Wheeler	Bozeman HS
Haley Hoerner	Belt Valley HS
Deanna Orion Wessels Crow	Flathead HS
Garret M. Willmarth	Power HS
Briar Palmer	Thompson Falls HS
Griffin Humble	Polson HS
Brody Henry	Havre HS

#### **Most Creative Videos (\$500 Scholarship)**

Remmi Stanger	Lincoln County HS
Beau Barthuly	Skyview HS
Isaac Cantlon	Ronan HS
Allie Eaves	Power HS
Caleb Smartnick	Jefferson HS

Reach Higher Montana understands the significance of financial assistance in achieving higher education dreams. The scholarships, tools, and other prizes awarded through the Senior Send-Off contest will help ease the financial burden for these talented seniors as they pursue their academic or career pursuits.

"We are immensely proud of all the students who participated in the Senior Send-Off contest and commend them for their remarkable accomplishments," said Kelly Cresswell, Executive Director of Reach Higher Montana. "These scholarships and prizes represent our commitment to fostering access and equity in education, and we are honored to play a role in helping these exceptional students realize their potential."

The Senior Send-Off contest exemplifies Reach Higher Montana's mission to empower Montana's youth to pursue and achieve their career and educational goals. By supporting students on their path to success, Reach Higher Montana continues to impact the lives of young individuals and the communities they represent.

For more information about Reach Higher Montana and its initiatives, please visit [www.ReachHigherMontana.org](http://www.ReachHigherMontana.org).

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About Reach Higher Montana:

Reach Higher Montana is a nonprofit organization dedicated to helping students achieve personal success in education, career, and life. Through a variety of programs and initiatives, Reach Higher Montana provides resources, support, and scholarships to students across the state. The organization is committed to ensuring all Montana students have access to the education and opportunities they need to succeed in today's world.

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