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Press Release

Foundation Announces Scholarship Class of 2023

The Mary John Goree Las Animas County Scholarship Foundation is pleased to announce our 2023 recipients and their college destinations:

Landon Knight	Goal High School	Louisiana State University
Sun Richardson	Goal High School	American University*
Ava Warner	Fountain Valley School	University of Notre Dame

The Foundation congratulates Landon, Sun and Ava upon their graduation from high school and wishes them the best in their continued pursuit of academic excellence. According to Foundation president, David J. Vandermeulen, “We are honored to have these three exceptional students in our class. We are certain that they will build on their records of achievement inside and outside of the classroom during their college years.”

The Foundation will conduct our tenth scholarship selection process this fall. The Mary John Goree Las Animas County Scholarship is a four-year scholarship that can be used by residents of Las Animas County at any four-year college or university in the United States (other than Princeton University). Learn more about the Scholarship and our sister scholarship, the Mary John Goree Scholarship for Las Animas County residents at Princeton University, at the Foundation’s website, www.goreescholarship.org.

*Sun Richardson has been granted a one-year deferral of her Scholarship so that she can participate in the prestigious National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y) program administered by the United States Department of State. During the 2023-2024 academic year, Sun will take part in a Chinese language immersion program in Taiwan. She will continue her education in the fall of 2024 at American University.