

Kennametal Foundation Announces 2017 Scholarship Winners

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LATROBE, Pa., May 22, 2017 /PRNewswire/ -- The Kennametal Foundation today announced four winners of its 2017 Kennametal Foundation Scholarship Program in partnership with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation. Each winner receives a scholarship award renewable for up to four years of undergraduate study that they can use at a regionally accredited U.S. college or university.

"Education is a primary focus for The Kennametal Foundation and these scholarships are just one way we are helping to build the next generation," said Kennametal President and CEO Ron De Feo. "Congratulations to each of this year's winners for their outstanding achievements. We wish them much success in their academic journey."

2017 Kennametal Foundation Scholarship Winners

Winner	High School	City
Amy Cook	Penn Trafford High School	Harrison City, PA
Nicole Marie Lakovic	McKeesport Area Senior High School	McKeesport, PA
Yizhe Liu	Greater Latrobe High School	Latrobe, PA
Jarod Lowe	Cottonwood High School	Cottonwood, AL

This program is one of many academic programs that The Kennametal Foundation supports globally where its team members work and live.

The Kennametal Foundation partners with the National Merit Scholarship Corporation to administer and review applications for the scholarship program. Selections are evaluated on academic records, qualities of leadership, extracurricular activities, PSAT/NMSQT scores and school recommendations. Established in 1955, the National Merit Scholarship is a not-for-profit organization that operates without government assistance. The majority of National Merit Scholarships offered each year are underwritten by some 500 independent corporate and college sponsors that support National Merit Scholarship Corporation's efforts to honor the nation's scholastic talent and encourage academic excellence at all levels of education.

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