



Wings Over America Scholar

Isabella Palladino

Tega Cay, South Carolina

Sponsor: LCDR Michael Palladino

College: University of Alabama

2025-2026: Freshman

Major: Pre-Med

Minor: Biology

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Student Council, Vice President
- Varsity Dance Team
- Beta Club
- Job Shadow: Dr. Riboh & Dr. Zakow
- National Honors Society of Dance Arts
- Plato's Closet Rock Hill, Sales Associate



Receiving the Wings Over America scholarship means so much to me and has made a significant impact as I begin my journey as a pre-med student at the University of Alabama. Pursuing a career in medicine has been a lifelong goal of mine, and this scholarship not only brings me one step closer to achieving that dream but also eases the financial burden that often comes with higher education.

Being on a pre-med track requires a lot of time and dedication between challenging coursework, labs, and volunteering or shadowing opportunities, the demands are high. This scholarship allows me to focus more on my studies and extracurricular experiences without the constant stress of financial strain. It also provides a sense of encouragement and validation, reminding me that others believe in my potential and are willing to invest in my future.

I'm truly grateful for the support the Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation has provided. It motivates me to work harder, stay focused, and give back in the future by helping others pursue their dreams just as I've been helped.