The Boeing Company Scholar



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College: University of Tennessee-Knoxville

2026-2027: Senior

Major: Neuroscience with Minor in History and Pre-Health

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- BCMB Undergraduate Research Assistant
- Phi Mu Fraternity Member
- Clinic Vols Assistant
- Society of Future Women in Medicine
- Nu Rho Psi National Honors Society in Neuroscience
- Mary Washington, Pediatric Hematology Oncology Volunteer and Shadow
- Four Soccer Mentor
- Internship at Mary Washington, Pediatric Hematology Oncology

Receiving the 2027 Wings Over America Scholarship is an amazing honor and I am so deeply grateful for this opportunity. The scholarship process was so special to me because I was able to put into concrete words how much I appreciate my dad's sacrifices for this country. My dad served 30 years in the United States Navy as a Naval Aviator. Being able to tell him how much I idolize his strength and work of service in and out of the military has made this process even more special. He has taught my sisters and I how to be good human beings, not with words but with actions. He embodies what it means to be servicemen in this country, and I am proud of everything he has done. I hope to use this scholarship to continue his dedication to service by pursuing a career in medicine and helping the underprivileged community like he does. This scholarship lessens the strain that path has on my family and I, and I am so grateful for it. I am excited to finish my last year at the University of Tennessee and apply for medical school with my dad supporting me every step of the way. I am forever grateful for all the servicemen and women who were willing to sacrifice their lives for our freedom and am grateful for organizations and donors like Wings Over America who help.