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**Williamson Medical Center Foundation awards 29 scholarships**

**FRANKLIN, TENN.** – Williamson Medical Center Foundation recently awarded scholarships to 29 Williamson County residents pursuing degrees in health care.

William Walton, a third-year medical student at the University of Tennessee Health Science Center and former patient assistant at WMC, received the Issac W. “Ike” Brown Scholarship, named in honor of Williamson Medical Center’s Board of Trustees chairman emeritus.

The Foundation also awarded 28 Fay Porter Memorial Medical Scholarships, named in honor of a well-known Medical Center volunteer who passed away at WMC in 1994 after a long battle with cancer.

“We are proud of these students and their hard work,” says Williamson Medical Center Foundation Executive Director Steve Smith. “It is our hope that these bright young minds will return to Williamson County after finishing school and continue WMC’s mission of serving area residents with access to high quality health care.”

This year, college students receiving the Fay Porter Memorial Medical Scholarship include Brandi Bersheres, Middle Tennessee State University; Ashley Brinsko, Lipscomb University; Faith Buchanan, Tennessee State University; Joy Elizabeth Clapp, Tennessee Tech University; Chris Elmlinger, Centre College; Shelia Green, Aquinas College; Camden Hastings, University of Mississippi; Gregory Headley, Middle Tennessee State University; Gordon Kinnaman, Cumberland University; Elizabeth Koppang, Furman University; Victoria Longaberger, Cumberland University; Dana Newman, University of Delaware; Matthew Pappas, Belmont University; Megan Polk, Tennessee Tech University; Sarah Risen, University of Tennessee; Rachael Allison Segal, University of Alabama; Jordan Shanafelt, University of

Memphis Loewenberg School of Nursing; Benjamin Turner, Cumberland University; and Angela Wiles, Columbia State Community College.

Graduating high school seniors receiving the scholarships include Allie Arnette, Ravenwood High School; Kayla Ashworth; Independence High School; Alexis Brinsko, Independence High School; Jessica Cammuse, Ravenwood High School; Danielle Dye, Page High School; Jenna Harper, Battle Ground Academy; Christina Rolen, Page High School; Katey Sharber, Ravenwood High School; and Alexandra Thompson, Independence High School.

The scholarships are made possible by contributions from WMC's medical staff, employees and the community. The annual Williamson Medical Center Foundation Golf Tournament also benefits the scholarship.

Williamson Medical Center is a 185-bed hospital fully accredited by The Joint Commission that provides comprehensive inpatient and outpatient care including emergency services, with credentialed physicians in 53 specialties and sub-specialties. The community-focused hospital offers a wide range of wellness services, screenings and classes. For more information about Williamson Medical Center, visit [williamsonmedicalcenter.org](http://williamsonmedicalcenter.org).

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