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Junior Achievement of Western New York Announces 2018 Scholarship Winners

Buffalo, NY- Junior Achievement (JA) of Western New York is pleased to announce the 2017-2018 scholarship winners. Scholarships were awarded to three Western New York High School seniors who participated in JA programming. Scholarships were presented by Delta Air Lines, John Lord Hettrick Sr. and Junior Achievement of WNY's Board of Directors.

Katherine Leyonmark, Hamburg High School, was awarded the 2017-2018 **Delta Air Lines Scholarship**, in the amount of \$2,500. Katherine participated in the JA Career Success program while at Hamburg High School. She also had the opportunity to participate in the JA Stock Market Challenge. She noted in her scholarship essay "Being able to walk out of high school already knowing I have the soft skills needed to succeed in any career is a feeling most students don't have so I am thankful to have had the opportunity to participate in JA sanctioned events". Katherine will be attending Allegheny College in the Fall.

The **John Lord Hettrick Sr. Memorial Scholarship** for \$1,000 was awarded to **Colin Meagley** from Lockport High School. Colin, who participated in the JA Stock Market Challenge and volunteered in the classroom at Emmet Belknap Intermediate School, said that "Junior Achievement improved my leadership skills immensely". He will attend the SUNY Binghamton School of Management in the Fall.

Benjamin Chaback, Byron Bergen High School, was awarded a \$500 scholarship provided by **Junior Achievement of WNY's Board of Directors**. Benjamin participated in the JA Stock Market Challenge this past November and said "[The Stock Market Challenge] was exciting, engaging and an authentic learning experience that I will never forget.". In the Fall Benjamin will be attending Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University in Daytona Beach, Florida to pursue a degree in aeronautical/astronautical engineering.

Junior Achievement is the world's largest organization dedicated to educating students in kindergarten through 12th grade about financial literacy, entrepreneurship, and career & work readiness through experiential, hands-on programs. In the 2017-2018 school year, Junior Achievement of WNY enriched the lives of 15,751 students in 161 schools and community organizations throughout the eight counties of Western New York. JA's success is due to its many generous supporters and more than 783 volunteers. For more information about Junior

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