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**GBRA Awards \$11,000 in Scholarships to Eight High School Graduates**

SEGUIN—Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority (GBRA) has awarded three \$2,000 academic scholarships and five \$1,000 academic scholarships to students within GBRA's 10-county district. The scholarships, presented annually, are part of GBRA's educational outreach program and help students achieve their educational goals.

The scholarship recipients and their bios are listed below by city:

**Lockhart**

Jacob Gonzales graduated from Lockhart High School in Caldwell County, and plans to study mechanical engineering at Texas Christian University. In high school, Gonzales was a linebacker on the Lions football team and was also a member of the powerlifting team. Outside of school, Gonzales was an active volunteer in the community as well as his church and supported city-wide events, such as Keep Lockhart Beautiful, a community clean-up program.

**Luling**

Brynn Mann graduated from Luling High School in Caldwell County, and aspires to become a Texas Game Warden. She will be attending Victoria Community College in Gonzales to obtain a degree in accounting. Mann was the Luling High School Eagle Mascot and was recognized as an All-American Mascot chosen to perform at the Citrus Bowl in Florida. She was involved in Future Farmers of America (FFA), track, tennis, volleyball and Key Club. In FFA she received Grand Champion awards in the rabbit, pig and crochet categories at the Luling Livestock Show.

**Port Lavaca**

Andrew Witte graduated from Calhoun High School in Calhoun County and plans to study history at Duke University. After he receives his undergraduate degree, he wishes to attend law school. In high school, Witte was the head drum major for the CHS Marching Band and played saxophone.

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He also competed in UIL academic competitions and was active in the National Honor Society. Outside of school, Witte helped with Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts and is an active volunteer with his church and community.

### **Schertz**

Nicholas Fulbright graduated from Clemens High School in Guadalupe County. He will be pursuing his passion for agriculture at Tarleton State University, and plans to teach upon graduation. While at Clemens, Fulbright was involved in Future Farmers of America (FFA) and National Honor Society. In FFA he participated in team events, placing in numerous categories, held leadership positions and attended the FFA State Convention. Outside of school, he was heavily involved with volunteering for his community and church as well as keeping a part-time job.

### **Seadrift**

Kelsey Vannoy graduated from Calhoun High School in Calhoun County. She will attend Texas A&M University in College Station to obtain an undergraduate degree in biomedical science or psychology and is already planning to pursue a graduate degree in neurology. While at Calhoun H.S., Vannoy participated in golf and was a member of the National Honor Society. She was also a Freshman Academy Tutor and received the Academic All-Star Athlete Award on three separate occasions. Outside of school, Vannoy was involved in volunteering with Hurricane Harvey recovery efforts, her church and setting up fishing tournaments.

### **Seguin**

Weston Scott graduated from Seguin High School in Guadalupe County. He plans to attend Texas State Technical School in Waco to further develop his trade skills he obtained while growing up on his family farm. In high school, Scott was an active member and leader in Future Farmers of America (FFA) as well as the school's wildlife team. His passion for agriculture comes from farming with his grandfather and uncles.

### **Victoria**

Rocky Hernandez graduated from Calhoun High School in Calhoun County and will be pursuing his bachelor of science in nursing as well as serving as a cadet in the Army ROTC program at the University of Texas at Arlington. After graduation, he plans to join the Army as an officer and continue his education to become a nurse practitioner. While in high school, Hernandez was a member of the National Honor Society, student council and was a member of the track and basketball teams. Outside of high school, Hernandez was an active community volunteer, an intern at former Congressman Blake Farenthold's office and held a part-time job, as well.

### **Wimberley**

Lindsey Walker graduated from Wimberley High School in Hays County and plans to further her education at Texas A&M University. Her ultimate goal is to obtain a doctorate in veterinarian medicine.

While in high school, Walker was a dedicated member in Future Farmers of America (FFA), serving in multiple officer positions, including president as well as creating the Wimberley FFA Vet Med Team. Walker was also involved in National Honor Society, student council, Leo Club, Model United Nations and was head drum major for the marching band. Outside of high school, she volunteered at Habitat for Humanity, the VFW and worked at a local veterinary clinic.

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**About the Guadalupe-Blanco River Authority**

GBRA was established by the Texas Legislature in 1933 as a water conservation and reclamation district. GBRA provides stewardship for the water resources in its 10-county statutory district, which begins near the headwaters of the Guadalupe and Blanco rivers, ends at San Antonio Bay, and includes Kendall, Comal, Hays, Caldwell, Guadalupe, Gonzales, DeWitt, Victoria, Calhoun, and Refugio counties. GBRA provides services that include hydroelectric generation; water and wastewater treatment; municipal, industrial, and agricultural raw water supply; and recreational operations.