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Prairie Meadows Scholarship Winners Announced

June 1 – Altoona, IA. Prairie Meadows Casino, Racetrack, and Hotel has announced the names of the 38 central Iowa high school seniors who are receiving \$2,500 Prairie Meadows scholarships this year.

Each spring, Prairie Meadows offers two \$2,500 scholarships to every public and private high school in Polk County. Prairie Meadows also offers two scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are children of Prairie Meadows employees, or who are employed by Prairie Meadows. Since 2001, Prairie Meadows has awarded 545 scholarships to central Iowa students to help them further their education in Iowa.

Qualified applicants must be graduating high school seniors enrolled full-time in the fall at an accredited, post-secondary Iowa institution, and then must maintain a cumulative high school GPA of 2.5 (4.0 scale) or greater. In addition, applicants must provide written essays on pre-selected topics along with letters of recommendation.

Prairie Meadows – 2016 High School Scholarship Recipients:

Graduating Senior		High School	Award Category
Kasey	Smith	Ankeny High School	High School
Conor	Riordan	Ankeny High School	High School
Hannah	Oakie	Ankeny Centennial High School	High School
Colton	Sleister	Ankeny Centennial High School	High School
Harrison	Vermie	Bondurant-Farrar High School	High School
Abbey	Burris	Bondurant-Farrar High School	High School
Nicholas	Cretors	Dallas Center-Grimes High School	High School
Sonya	Harwood	Dallas Center-Grimes High School	High School

Cynthia	Evans	Des Moines East High School	High School
Rene	Chavez	Des Moines East High School	High School
Jonathon	Hays	Dowling Catholic High School	High School
Linh	Bui	Dowling Catholic High School	High School
Tu	Meh	Hoover High School	High School
Jill	Tang	Hoover High School	High School
Madisen	McGinn	Johnston High School	High School
Katelyn	Perkins	Johnston High School	High School
Carolyn	Lo	Lincoln High School	High School
Deysy	Cruz	Lincoln High School	High School
Matthew	Norris	Metro West Learning Academy	High School
Fahmo	Mohamed	North High School	High School
Arianna	Magallanes	North High School	High School
Rachel	Zimmerman	North Polk High School	High School
Rhett	Franzen	North Polk High School	High School
Michelle	Rus	Roosevelt High School	High School
Eli	Dotson	Roosevelt High School	High School
Parker	White	Saydel High School	High School
Kendall	Walker	Saydel High School	High School
Samantha	Lee	Scavo High School	High School
Ella	Lackman	Scavo High School	High School
Luke	Bowden	Southeast Polk High School	High School
Megan	DeDecker	Southeast Polk High School	High School
Mia	Tiric	Urbandale High School	High School
Marissa	Sankey	Urbandale High School	High School
Bronwyn	Wright	Valley High School	High School
Brett	Donahe	Valley High School	High School
Chloe	Christensen	Walnut Creek Campus	High School
Colton	Zimmerman	Walnut Creek Campus	High School
Zachary	Cort	Des Moines East High School	Employee
Nathan	Salts	Southeast Polk High School	Employee

In two decades, Prairie Meadows has given more than \$1.5 billion through taxes, grants and charitable donations to the state of Iowa.

More than \$600 million has remained in our community to promote economic development, agriculture, jobs, and tourism.

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