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2017 Scholarships





Above: Happy afternoon at Big Picture High School in front of the entire student body! Rob Sachs presents Sachs Construction LLC award to Sophia Kincaid; Rob and Mary Kay represent the Newbolds in presenting to Anna Caplan. Sophie's college plans are undecided at the moment, and Anna will be aiming for a psychology degree at either FLC or Mesa State University.





Above: Martha (Tamez) Schanfarber shares a joyful moment with Tamez recipient Ryann Daly after Patricia (Tamez) Rosas has presented the award via Facetime from Austin, TX. Ryan plans on becoming a doctor; she awaits word from several colleges before making her decision. She was so excited to win the Tamez scholarship that she kept saying (right image), "My cheeks are shaking!"





Above, left, Naomi Huffman-Wood is the center of attention in receiving the Zink Family award. (L-R: DHS principal Jon Hoerl, Robert Logan representing the Zinks, proud mom Melinda Wood, Naomi, TRIO counselor Kelli Brush, DHS counselors Deb Medenwaldt and Rachel Colsman). Naomi will start at Laramie College in the fall, planning to transfer to University of Wyoming to study equine science and agribusiness; ultimately she wants to bring the beauty of agriculture to life for urbanites.

Above, right: Lynn and Dave Mitzlaff flank Victoria Graham (r) and her mom, Melanie Oles-Graham. Needham principal David Tanaka scared the daylights out of preschool paraprofessional Melanie by gruffly directing her to meet her daughter at DHS Counseling for "an important matter." Torie plans to follow a pre-veterinary program at CSU, with the ultimate goal of being a wild animal specialist.





Above, left: Javier Quezada receives news of his Louis S. Tamez Memorial award from Patricia (Tamez) Rosas via Facetime. Martha (Tamez) Schanfarber, former TRIO counselor, holds the phone. Javier is exploring a couple of career possibilities: mechanical engineering and forensics—either will put his puzzle-solving skills to good work.

Right: Kaleb Harris, a Newbold winner, receives congratulations from Mary Kay as well as his TRIO counselor, Kelli Brush. Prompted by compassion for victims' families, Kaleb has wanted to be a forensic scientist from a young age; he'll be studying at Eastern N.M State.

Not shown: Grace Wolf-Cartier received her Newbold award from DEF the same day as Kaleb. She will be a pre-med student at Portland State University in the fall.