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**Two students awarded the Tyler M. Foster Memorial Scholarship
from Central Kentucky Community Foundation**

ELIZABETHTOWN, KY (June 11, 2020) – Two Nelson County Schools students are part of 145 students earning scholarships from Central Kentucky Community Foundation. They were awarded the Tyler M. Foster Memorial Scholarship.

The recipients of the scholarship are Caroline Boone and Kaitlyn McKinney. Boone is a 2020 graduate of Thomas Nelson High School and will enroll at Western Kentucky University to study exercise science. She is the daughter of David and Mary Boone. McKinney is a 2020 graduate of Nelson County High School and will enroll at Elizabethtown Community and Technical College to study nursing. She is the daughter of Brian and Karen McKinney.

A graduate of Nelson County High School, Tyler was a senior at the University of Kentucky majoring in accounting and finance when he died in 2015 along with his friends, Keaton Hall and Jordan Hickman. Tyler was a member of the Global Mobility Unit in the Kentucky Air National Guard. His college career was interrupted multiple times for service with his unit and work experience. The University of Kentucky awarded Tyler a degree in accounting posthumously to acknowledge his effort maintaining a 4.0 GPA while facing the challenges of the military. The Tyler M. Foster Memorial Scholarship, established through the Nelson County Schools Community Support Foundation, awards \$1,000 to two Nelson County Schools students who show the commitment to learning, persistence, hard work and caring for others that Tyler demonstrated.

"Through the generosity of our donors, students across our region can continue their education," said Davette B. Swiney, President and CEO of CKCF. "Our scholarship program, Scholarship Central, is a great way to empower local students and show them the impact of philanthropy. It's an honor to connect people to the causes they care about while helping people pursue their educational goals."

The Tyler M. Foster Memorial Scholarship is one of 170 scholarships being awarded by CKCF this year through Scholarship Central. The scholarships total nearly \$322,000 and were awarded to 145 students from 17 high schools and four colleges in the region. All scholarship awards were announced during Celebrating Achievement, Central Kentucky Community Foundation's scholarship awards program. You can watch it at https://youtu.be/qqIS2Y_XyKw.

To establish a scholarship fund or to find out more information on this scholarship and other scholarships available to students, go to <http://ckcf4people.org/scholarships/>.

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