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AMEA and its Members announce 2016 scholarship winners

Thirty-three (33) high school seniors will enroll in a four-year university or two-year college this year with help from the Alabama Municipal Electric Authority (AMEA) and its 11 Members through the 2016 AMEA Scholarship Program. Each of the 33 scholarship recipients will receive a \$2,500 scholarship for a total of \$82,500 awarded in this year's program.

AMEA, which has provided scholarship assistance since 1992, received 117 scholarship applications in the 2016 program.

Since 1992, AMEA and its Members have provided over \$2 million in scholarships to the graduating high school seniors who receive their electric service from AMEA Members, including Alexander City, Dothan, Fairhope, LaFayette, Lanett, Luverne, Opelika, Piedmont, Riviera Utilities (Foley), Sylacauga and Tuskegee

To be eligible for the AMEA scholarship or technical school scholarship, a student's family must receive electric service from a Member's electric utility and the student must attend an Alabama college or university.

"We take our role as a good corporate citizen seriously," said Fred D. Clark, Jr., AMEA President & CEO. "That's why we, along with our Members, support education initiatives, like the AMEA Scholarship Program, that contribute to making our state economically competitive. Together, we can all help the next generation of leaders by giving them the support and experiences they need today to make sound decisions in the future. We congratulate this year's scholarship winners."

AMEA will begin marketing the 2017 scholarship program to schools within its Member cities and also on the AMEA web site, www.amea.com, Scholarship Program, in August.

This year's scholarship recipients are:

Chase Burton, Benjamin Russell High School, Alexander City
Davis Pemberton, Benjamin Russell High School, Alexander City
Chandler Davis, Northview High School, Dothan
Landon Overby, Northview High School, Dothan
Anna Kinney, Houston Academy, Dothan
Arcole Brandon, Fairhope High School, Fairhope
Sarah Bryant, Fairhope High School, Fairhope
Charity Hunt, Fairhope High School, Fairhope
Melissa Carlisle, Spanish Fort High School, Riviera Utilities
Darrell Thompson, Foley High School, Riviera Utilities
Connor Raley, Fairhope High School, Riviera Utilities
Antarvious Kirk, LaFayette High School, LaFayette
Shandrea Story, LaFayette High School, LaFayette
Anslee Reese, Chambers Academy, LaFayette
Rontavious Johnson, Lanett High School, Lanett
Asia Stephens, Lanett High School, Lanett
Andrew Oswalt, Springwood School, Lanett
Zakeyia Bell, Luverne High School, Luverne
Ashlynn Odom, Luverne High School, Luverne
Kayla Sipper, Crenshaw Christian Academy, Luverne
Tanner Blatt, Opelika High School, Opelika
David Carpenter, Opelika High School, Opelika
William McKee, Opelika High School, Opelika
Brett Akin, Piedmont High School, Piedmont
Alexandra Colvert, Piedmont High School, Piedmont
Sarah Lawrence, Piedmont High School, Piedmont
Ashley Aderholt, Sylacauga High School, Sylacauga Utilities Board
Katelyn Mooney, Sylacauga High School, Sylacauga Utilities Board
Tulsi Patel, Sylacauga High School, Sylacauga Utilities Board
Danielle Calhoun, Booker T. Washington High School, Utilities Board of Tuskegee
Jasmyne Hall, Booker T. Washington High School, Utilities Board of Tuskegee
Lydia Wilson, Booker T. Washington High School, Utilities Board of Tuskegee

2016 AMEA Technical Scholarship Winner

Mariah Gilbert, Benjamin Russell High School, Alexander City

AMEA, a joint action agency formed in 1981, is the wholesale power provider for 11 public power utilities in Alabama, which serve approximately 350,000 customers in the cities of Alexander City, Dothan, Fairhope, Foley, LaFayette, Lanett, Luverne, Opelika, Piedmont, Sylacauga and Tuskegee.