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The NMAA Foundation Board of Directors has again allocated additional funding towards the Together We Rise program for the 2022-2023 school year. This will come via a minimum of ten \$1,000 scholarships that will be distributed to graduating seniors in an effort to provide even more support to the youth of our state.

This is your opportunity to partner with the NMAA Foundation to provide additional support during these difficult times. As a donor, a \$1,000 minimum contribution will provide a scholarship to a deserving graduate. In exchange, your name will be attached to the scholarship as the presenting sponsor. This could be an individual or business name that will be promoted alongside the scholarship. Due to the gracious support of the NMAA Foundation Board and the below donors, an additional 16 scholarships were given during the 2021-2022 school year.

Taco Bell Restaurants of Santa Fe, Zero Eyes, Mr. Bruce Cottrell, Various NMAA/NMOA Hall of Famers, Lt. Col. Cecil Lynn Memorial Fund, Tom Drangmeister Memorial Fund, Mike Danoff Memorial Fund and In Memory of Hobbs High School Student-Athlete Kooper Davis.

Each year, the NMAA Foundation receives between 200 and 300 scholarship applications. On average, 18-20 students are selected from this pool as scholarship recipients. The Together We Rise program will ensure that approximately 35 students receive financial support from the NMAA Foundation in 2022-2023 to pursue their college aspirations. The application deadline for the "Together We Rise" and all other NMAA Foundation scholarships is February 1, 2023. Recipients will be selected soon thereafter and each student will be honored at the 2022 NMAA State Basketball Championships.

The New Mexico Activities Association Foundation is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization that was established in 2007 to support the many students that participate in high school athletic and activity programs across New Mexico. The Foundation's scholarship program has provided \$415,000 in funding to over 300 students at over 100 NMAA member schools.

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