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DAIRY LEADERS OF TOMORROW STUDENTS RECOGNIZED WITH SCHOLARSHIPS

The Scholarship Program Honors Outstanding Students in the Dairy Industry

Harrisburg, Pa. – Mikayla Davis of Leesport, Berks County, and Karly Marshman of Oxford, New York, were recently awarded scholarships through the Center for Dairy Excellence Foundation of Pennsylvania’s Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow Program. To qualify for the scholarship, undergraduate students must have completed and passed at least one of the Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow certification exams and associated coursework. Both Davis and Marshman received a \$3,000 scholarship to support their educational endeavors and future careers in dairy.

Davis is a freshman studying dairy animal science at The Pennsylvania State University (Berks Campus). Mikayla is the daughter of Michael and Angela Davis of Leesport, Berks County. After growing up on a dairy farm, Mikayla joined the Northern Berks 4-H Dairy Club and competed at various local and state competitions. Her goal is to pursue a career in public relations at an agricultural organization to help consumers learn where their food comes from.

Marshman is a freshman studying agricultural science at Morrisville State College. She is the daughter of Dave Marshman of Oxford, New York. Karly grew up on a 400-cow dairy farm and joined a variety of clubs and programs that taught her how to advocate for agriculture and gain leadership skills. Her goal is to become an agricultural educator and give back to her community by developing young leaders.

The Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow program is managed by the Dairy Excellence Foundation and prepares high school students to work in the dairy industry through classroom instruction, on-farm experiences, and scholarship opportunities.

“Through Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow, high school students have a chance to explore the dairy industry and learn about potential careers,” said Brittany Haag, Dairy Education Program Manager at the Dairy Excellence Foundation. “These scholarships are designed to provide additional recognition and encouragement to outstanding students who are empowered to contribute to our state’s vibrant dairy industry.”

To qualify for the scholarship, students must be enrolled in a college or university beginning in the fall following their graduation from high school. This year’s recipients were selected based

on their academic performance, evidence of leadership, character and integrity, and their commitment to pursuing a future career in dairy.

To learn more about the Dairy Leaders of Tomorrow scholarship program, visit dairyleadertomorrow.com or contact Brittany Haag at bhaag@centerfordairyexcellence.org or 717-346-0849. The 2020 scholarship application will be available March 1, 2020.

Images:

Mikayla Davis



Karly Marshman



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