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ICOE Foundation Awards Scholarships to Students in Special Education, Alternative Education, and Imperial Pathways Charter School

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Imperial County, CA - On June 1, 2021, the ICOE Foundation for Education awarded eleven (11) \$500 scholarships to Imperial County students who are attending a community college or university in the fall. The ICOE Foundation for Education launched its scholarship program in 2020, hoping to increase college access and success for some of Imperial County's most vulnerable students, including at-risk youth and students with special needs.

This year, the Foundation for Education selected 11 outstanding students enrolled in special education programs, alternative education schools, and Imperial Pathways Charter, a drop-out recovery program for individuals 17 and over. Imperial Pathways Charter School has been a life-changing experience for many students who did not have an opportunity to complete high school but want to obtain a high school diploma. Imperial Pathways Charter graduates often choose to pursue their education and attend college.

"We're very excited to continue to support these eleven students in pursuit of their goals," said Dr. Todd Finnell, County Superintendent of Schools and President of the Foundation for Education Board. "Despite facing many hardships and challenges, they have shown resilience and determination, and we wish them the very best in their college career and beyond!"

This year's scholarship recipients are graduates from Brawley High School, Calexico High School, Del Rio Academy, Valley Academy, and Imperial Pathways Charter. The scholarships will help students cover payment of tuition, academic fees, room, board, and the purchase of educational materials, books, or equipment.

The Foundation for Education will be recognizing this year's scholarship recipients during its first Annual Fundraiser Event on October 7, 2021. Proceeds of the fundraiser will be used to support the Foundation's Scholarship Program and other initiatives.

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About Imperial County Office of Education:

The Imperial County Office of Education supports local school districts and other agencies by providing services from early care to adult education. For more information please visit www.icoe.org and follow the official ICOE news feeds on [Facebook](#), [Instagram](#), [Twitter](#), and [YouTube](#).

The mission of ICOE is to improve the quality of life in Imperial County by promoting strong families and students who are prepared for life, college, and career.

About Foundation for Education:

The Foundation for Education is a 501 (c)(3) charitable organization that supports students and educational programs throughout Imperial County. The Foundation is an auxiliary organization of the Imperial County Office of Education (ICOE). It provides funding for countywide student events, innovative projects, student scholarships, and other major initiatives.

The Foundation focuses on the development and support of the “whole child,” with an emphasis on at-risk youth and students with special needs.

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