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Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired Announces 2022 Scholarship Recipients

June 2, 2022 – The Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired has awarded \$2,000 scholarships to eight Wisconsin students who are blind or visually impaired and are pursuing postsecondary education during the academic year beginning this fall. The Council, which is celebrating its 70th anniversary this year, has been offering scholarships to students with vision loss for most of its history.

This year's scholarship recipients are:

Saree Behm, Janesville, UW-Whitewater Grace Caine, Lowell, UW-Whitewater Jada Clark, Omro, UW-Oshkosh Lewa Diarra, Madison, University of Minnesota Lindsey Fritz, Madison, Madison College Kaylee Mueller, Campbellsport, UW-Green Bay Nathan Schmitt, Franklin, Milwaukee Area Technical College George Tuttle, Drummond, Carroll University

"We're grateful to be able to award these academic scholarships," says Denise Jess, Executive Director of the Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired. "Students with vision loss face daunting barriers in education and employment. Scholarships are a powerful tool for overcoming some of those barriers." Founded in 1952, the Wisconsin Council of the Blind & Visually Impaired promotes the dignity and empowerment of the people of Wisconsin living with vision loss through advocacy, education and vision services.

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