



**House of Raeford Awards \$30,000 in Scholarships to Employees' Children From North Carolina, South Carolina, Georgia, Alabama and Louisiana**

*12 Students Receive 2015 House of Raeford Farms Scholarships*

**Rose Hill, NC – June 24, 2015:** House of Raeford is pleased to announce the recipients of the 2015 House of Raeford Farms Scholarships. The scholarship program is available each year for House of Raeford Farms employees' children and grandchildren who plan to continue their education in college or vocational school programs. This year, 12 students were chosen from Duplin County, NC; Mobile, Alabama; Cumberland County, NC; Lexington, SC; Lavonia, Georgia; Ruston, Louisiana; and Greenville, SC to receive the scholarships. Each of this year's recipients received a \$2,500 award.

The students were selected based on a number of criteria including academic record, demonstrated leadership and participation in school and community activities, honors, work experience, a statement of goals and aspirations and unusual personal or family circumstances.

"This year's House of Raeford Farms Scholarship recipients make up an impressive group of young scholars and contributing members of our communities," said Bob Johnson, CEO of House of Raeford Farms. "We are especially proud to be associated with them because they are already part of the House of Raeford extended family. This is what our scholarship program is all about – giving back to our employees and their families in a meaningful way. We are truly appreciative of the contributions they make to the company every day, and it is an honor to be able to make this investment in their families' futures."

The 2015 House of Raeford Farms Scholarship recipients are:

- Teliyah Carr – Hometown of Wallace, NC and a junior at North Carolina Agricultural and Technical State University. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Rose Hill, NC.
- Richard Smith – Hometown of Mobile, Alabama and a freshman at the University of Alabama. He is the son of a salesman for House of Raeford.
- Amanda Whitfield – Hometown of Beulaville, NC and a sophomore at Coastal Carolina Community College. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Wallace, NC.
- Savannah Starling – Hometown of Fayetteville, NC and a freshman at North Carolina State University. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Mocksville, NC.
- Rebecca Liles – Hometown of Lexington, SC and a freshman at Winthrop University. Her family is associated with the live production operation in Batesburg-Leesville, SC.
- Christine Mejia – Hometown of Rose Hill, NC and a junior at East Carolina University. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Rose Hill, NC.
- Chandler Guy – Hometown of Teachey, NC and a junior at North Carolina Wesleyan College. His family is associated with the processing plant in Rose Hill, NC.
- Amelia King – Hometown of Lavonia, Georgia and a freshman at Gwinnett Technical College. Her family is associated with the live production operation in Lavonia, Georgia.



- Courtney Axton – Hometown of Ruston, Louisiana and a sophomore at Louisiana Delta Community College. Her family is associated with the feed mill in Choudrant, Louisiana.
- Kelsey Jones – Hometown of Beulaville, NC and a sophomore at James Sprunt Community College. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Rose Hill, NC.
- Kate Brillantes Cummings – Hometown of Greenville, SC and a sophomore at University of South Carolina: Upstate. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Greenville, SC.
- Vivian Gomez Mendieta – Hometown of Rose Hill, NC and a freshman at James Sprunt Community College. Her family is associated with the processing plant in Rose Hill, NC.

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### **About House of Raeford Farms**

House of Raeford Farms, Inc. is one of the nation's top ten largest chicken processors, providing ready-to-cook and further processed chicken products to the foodservice, retail, and export markets. The company is family-owned and operated and based out of Rose Hill, North Carolina.

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