Tailhook Educational Foundation & Maritime Patrol Association Scholar

Daniel Hopkins

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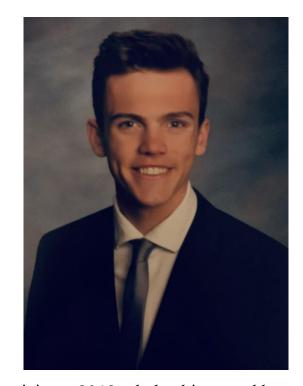
Coronado High School

University of Florida

Major: Computer Science

Activities:

- Varsity Volleyball, Captain (10th & 12th)
- ✤ Varsity Baseball, Captain (10th)
- Varsity Basketball
- Student Council, Treasurer (9th)
- Volunteer: Fleet Science Center-Gallery Facilitator, Immaculate Conception Catholic Church-Altar Server, National Honor Society
- Summer Employment: MWR Sigonella-Youth Sports



Receiving a 2019 scholarship award has meant to me a sense of accomplishment, relief, and determination. Firstly, to be considered for this award is a tremendous honor and I could not be more grateful to the donors and the organization. I am so thankful that my achievements were recognized and that I was chosen to receive this scholarship. Also, this award helps to lessen the financial burden of my college education. I come from a middle-class Navy family with two younger brothers. While we are not rich, we are not severely disadvantaged. This means that I did not receive any need-based financial aid for my university. Since I was not entirely sure what I wanted to study, my parents were reluctant to send me off to school blindly into debt. However, with this generous award, I can now afford my education. I can focus on studying and learning about the world and myself as a person instead of worrying about paying thousands of dollars I do not have. I feel motivated and inspired to work hard, figure out what career path I want to pursue, and eventually make a lasting impact on the world. However, none of this would be possible without Wings Over America. Thank you so much.