

*Navy Federal Credit  
Union & VAW/VRC  
Merit Scholar*

**Clare Kinsella**

Arlington, VA

Bishop Denis J. O'Connell  
High School

High School GPA: 4.43

University of Virginia

Major: Biology

Activities:

- Student Government Rep.
- JV & Varsity Soccer
- Varsity Swim Team
- National Honor Society
- National Spanish Honor Society
- Volunteer: Cystic Fibrosis Superdance Fundraiser, St. James Food Distribution, Soup Kitchen
- Summer Lifeguard and Swim Instructor at community pool.



I am honored and grateful to have been chosen to receive this Wings Over America scholarship for the 2016-2017 year. To me, this award means opportunity to apply myself in the next year to further my education and discover the path which I will follow over the next several years. I am excited to learn and anxious to see where the University of Virginia will take me. This scholarship award is motivating to me because it shows me that hard work pays off, and also because it creates incentive for me to continue to work hard over the next four years to put this award to good use and make the communities around me better off.