



Abby Furco Memorial Scholar

Rebecca Mann
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Sponsor: CAPT William Mann

College: Carthage College

2022-2023: Freshman

Major: Finance & Management/Economics

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- National Honor Society: 12th Grade Officer
- Yearbook: 11th & 12th Grade Editor-in-Chief
- Varsity Lacrosse: 12th Grade Captain
- Varsity Field Hockey: 12th Grade Captain
- Young Men's Christian Association (YMCA): Lifeguard and Shift Lead



Winning a 2022 scholarship means hope for me. With college prices going up and the minimum wage staying the same, paying for college becomes an everlasting challenge for many people. Despite getting a grant from my college, it barely pays for half of my tuition, so gaining any scholarship is overwhelming for me. I appreciate the opportunity to receive an award such that I can rely slightly less on myself for working full time throughout my high school and college career in the hopes of not going into debt. My goal is to not go into debt by taking out student loans, so any scholarship I receive helps that goal a little bit more every time. This scholarship gives me the opportunity to spend more time with my friends and family and stress less about my overall college experience. As a committed college athlete, being able to work less throughout the year allows me to better bond with my teammates and have a better understanding of the elite level of play as I would be able to spend my time on the fields or in the weight rooms rather than at a job. This scholarship means the world to me, and I am greatly appreciative to be able to receive it.