

LT Paul R. Fridley Memorial Scholar

Allison Orchard-Hays

Virginia Beach, VA

Sponsor: CDR Daniel Orchard-Hays

College: University of Virginia

2024-2025: Freshman

Major: Nursing

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Madrigals Vocal Ensemble
- National Honor Society
- Girls JV and Varsity Soccer JV and Varsity Field Hockey
- Kid-2-Kid Club
- Junior Volunteer Children's Hospital of the King's Daughters
- Camp Invention Leadership Intern
- JT's Camp Grom Lifeguard



I am extremely honored and excited to be receiving this scholarship from the Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation. I am attending the University of Virginia this fall where I plan to major in Nursing with the goal of becoming a Nurse Practitioner. I have always been drawn to healthcare and had a passion for helping others, especially those who need care and comfort. A career in Nursing will enable me to make a difference in the lives of others while serving my community. The military has been a strong backbone for my family, and I am grateful for the many years that my Dad served our nation as a Naval Flight Officer. He demonstrated selfless service to others, and I hope to do the same in the healthcare field. Thank you to everyone at Wings Over America Scholarship Foundation for the generosity of this scholarship which will provide me the opportunity to achieve my dreams and help make the world a better place.