

Wings Over America Scholar

Connor Richards Bend, Oregon

Sponsor: CDR James Richards Jr.

College: University of Washington

2024-2025: Freshman

Major: Mechanical Engineering with minor in Acting

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Theatre Acting and Crew
- Theatre Troupe #6967, Vice-President
- Founder, Amsonia Woodworking
- Newport Avenue Market Courtesy Clerk
- Soccer Team
- Track and Field Team



Receiving this generous scholarship is a great privilege and I am exceedingly grateful to the Wings Over America Foundation. I would like to thank my parents for making my college education possible and for always supporting me, especially through the often-challenging decisions that come with this new chapter in my life. I would also like to thank the donors to this wonderful program, you have all helped me and so many other students like me to achieve new, undreamt heights in education and beyond. I'm excited to attend the University of Washington's vibrant Engineering program, with the intent to major in Mechanical Engineering and minor in Acting. Through the University of Washington experience, I look forward to making use of the vast skill set and connections that it will provide me for the future. Through this scholarship opportunity for higher education provided by Wings Over America, I intend to pursue a career designing both hydrocarbon and electric engines of the future that can take people farther and further with greater efficiency.