

## Navy Federal Credit Union Scholar

## Zach McGrath

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College: University of Pennsylvania

Major: Political Science

Academic & Extracurricular Highlights:

- Campaign Fellow, Anne Arundel Democratic Slate 2022
- Youth Advisory Council Member, Maryland Civic Education Coalition
- Youth Representative, Anne Arundel County Office of Health Equity and Racial Justice
- Assistant Legislative Director in the Office of Maryland State Delegate Shaneka Henson
- Summer Work: Anne Arundel County Office of Community Engagement and Constituent Affairs



Winning the Wings Over America Scholarship is an incredible honor and a significant milestone in my academic journey. This scholarship is more than just financial support; it is a testament to the importance of investing in the education and future of military dependents committed to making a positive impact. I am deeply grateful for this support, which will allow me to further my studies at the University of Pennsylvania, where I will serve on the University Council, representing and advocating for the rights of military students. After graduation, my goal is to serve in public school system administration, inspired by my father's service in the United States Navy.

Throughout my academic career, I have been actively involved in various extracurricular activities. As a member of Penn's Standup club, mock trial team, and student government, I have developed a strong foundation in communication and community engagement. My experiences as the Student Member of the Board of Education for Anne Arundel County Public Schools and as a legislative assistant have further fueled my passion for educational equity and policy. I am honored to be recognized by Wings Over America and am committed to making the most of this opportunity.