

**CREDIT PROFESSIONALS INTERNATIONAL
DISTRICT 5**

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Dear members,

It is my pleasure to announce to you the winners of the 2023 James Lucas Scholarship Essay Contest. They were: Mattison Gillen from Monmouth, Illinois and Alexander Wadden from New Boston, Illinois. They both won a \$500.00 scholarship to help with their expenses to their preferred colleges.

I spoke with both of them on the phone yesterday to congratulate them and to find out where their preferences were to further their education.

Mattison Gillen is planning to attend St. Ambrose College to become a physical therapist and was thrilled to have been one of the winners.

Alexander Wadden is planning to attend Muscatine Community College and then transfer to St. Ambrose College to complete his schooling to also become a physical therapist. He also was thrilled to have been one of the winners.

My hopes for next year's winners will be that since we are giving \$1000.00 each to two winners that it will be even more appreciated.

Please, please, when the essays are received, that there will be many of you that will agree to help judge them, we are expecting many more applicants, so your help will definitely be needed.

Thank you to those who helped this year and will keep you informed.

Sincerely,

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