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Waukee Senior Awarded Star Student Scholarship

Des Moines, Iowa—Senior Gavin Lambertsen, Waukee Schools, has been awarded the 2025 Star Student Scholarship of Iowa in recognition for his academic achievements, leadership, and educational goals. Within his time at Waukee Schools, Lambertsen has proven himself as a dedicated leader both in and out of the classroom. Over the past four years, Lambertsen has participated in a variety of activities from varsity track to Boys State Speaker of the House.

After graduation, Lambertsen plans to attend Iowa State University where he will work towards a major in finance with a minor in entrepreneurship. In his application, Lambertsen quoted his father as someone who has made an impact in his life. “As an owner of his own therapy practice and loving husband to his wife, my mother, he is a shining example of what I look to achieve,” he shared.

After earning his degree from Iowa State, Lambertsen hopes to be accepted into the Cy-Starters Program and achieve the goal of starting his own business. “Ideally, I look to be accepted into the Cy-Starters Program to found a startup while in my junior or senior year of college, and continue to expand that into a fulfilling career,” Lambertsen said.

About the Award: The Star Student Scholarship is awarded to a graduating student. This scholarship is co-sponsored by ClaimAid Consulting Corporation and the Iowa Association of School Boards (IASB). The scholarship is awarded based on a number of requirements, including educational goals and academic accomplishments. ClaimAid is a leading provider of comprehensive Medicaid eligibility and enrollment services, school-based billing and claims resolution for schools, hospitals, patients, individuals and their families. IASB is a nonprofit organization representing Iowa’s 325 public school districts, nine area education agencies and 15 community colleges.



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