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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:
EXPEDITION FOUNDATION AWARDS \$6,500 IN ACADEMIC SCHOLARSHIPS**

MENDOTA HEIGHTS, Minn. (May 16, 2024)—Expedition Foundation is excited to announce the 2024 recipients of the 26th annual Academic Scholarship Award Program.

Melody Chalmers of New Hope, MN has been awarded the \$2,000 Educator Scholarship. She is currently attending the American College of Education, and is working to complete her Master’s in Education in Teaching English Learners.

Kolaya Ronzheimer of New Bern, NC received the \$1,500 Education Major Scholarship Award. Kolaya is currently attending the Crown College, studying for a major in Elementary Education with a minor in Math Education.

Additionally, three high school seniors each received \$1,000 scholarships: Ava Muehlbauer of Coon Rapids, MN; Lauren Roof of Westlake, OH; and Alyssa Sadlovsky of Pierz, MN.

“It’s always an honor to work with Minnesota’s educators. On behalf of Expedition Foundation, we wish our scholarship recipients the best in their education and future endeavors,” states Paul Dammann, President of Expedition Foundation and Expedition Credit Union, “Be sure to watch for our announcement this fall for a chance at next year’s Scholarship programs.”

Since its debut 26 years ago by Expedition Credit Union, the Scholarship Award Program has awarded over 90 recipients a total of \$125,500. The Scholarship Program is open to Expedition Credit Union members, their families and those pursuing degrees in education. The 2024 Selection Committee members included: Ramona Springis-Doss – Expedition CU Board Chair, Jordon Ford – Expedition CU Board Member, Rodney Rowe – Education Minnesota Secretary/Treasurer and Dolly Buettner – Expedition Credit Union Member.

About Expedition Foundation

Expedition Foundation is a 501(c)(3) organization established in 2008 to help extend the credit union philosophy of 'People Helping People' and provide contributive funding and resources that advance educational initiatives and support charitable causes within the educational communities Expedition Credit Union serves.

About Expedition Credit Union

Expedition Credit Union is a not-for-profit financial cooperative that was established in 1957 currently serving nearly 17,000 members with an asset size of \$224 million. Expedition provides a full line of consumer financial services to Minnesota's education community & their families; those who live, work, worship, go to school or do business in Anoka, Dakota, Hennepin, Ramsey or Washington Counties; those who support education through membership in the Expedition Foundation; as well as other select employee groups.

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