



FYI - May 23, 2019

2019 Academic Scholarship Awards



Preeti Krishnamani was awarded The Committee of 100 Academic Scholarship for 2019 at our Member Reception on May 21. Preeti will be graduating from The Charter School of Wilmington with a 4.6 GPA, a perfect SAT Math score and an impressive resume of academic, leadership and community service accomplishments. She will be attending the Massachusetts Institute of Technology in the Fall majoring in Material Science & Engineering and Management with the goal of becoming a biotechnology entrepreneur.

Preeti has already been recognized for her excellence in scientific research as a 2019 National Regeneration Science Talent Search Finalist, first place winner in Plant Sciences at the Delaware Valley Science Fair, the 2018 Delaware BioGENEius Challenge Winner and a finalist in the International BioGENEius Challenge. Her project under Dr. Angelia Seyffert at the University of Delaware College of Agriculture and Natural Resources studied how arsenic contamination in rice could be decreased using biodegradable silicon materials added to rice paddies to reduce

uptake into the plants.

Preeti founded the Refugee Acculturation Program (RAP) to provide fellow high school students a platform to gain insights into the refugee community's struggles while actively contributing to their educational empowerment. Each week, she leads almost 40 youth-mentors in helping refugee children in our community build English proficiency and secure life skills in communication and technology.

In her spare time, Preeti was Editor in Chief of the school newspaper, Youth Secretary of Education and Senate Legislator in the Youth in Government program, and principal clarinetist and soloist with the Delaware Youth Symphony Orchestra.

Each year, The Committee of 100 offers a \$3,000 merit scholarship to a graduating high school senior who is a resident of New Castle County, and who intends to major in business, economics or a related field. This year we added STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) to the list of eligible majors. The scholarship is awarded based on academic excellence and well-rounded involvement in extra-curricular and community activities.

We were pleased to also award a special Book Scholarship this year to **Justin Chan** in recognition of his achievements. Members of the Scholarship Committee generously donated \$750 for this additional award. Justin is graduating first in his class from Middletown High School and will attend the Wharton School of Business at the University of Pennsylvania to study Business Economics and Public Policy.

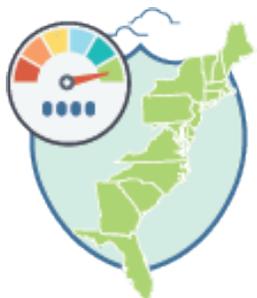
Special thanks to Education & Scholarship Committee chair Brent Shaffer and members Jeremy Abelson, Peter Bailey, Mike Carney, Bert Green, Phil Hough, Dev Sitaram, Paula Swain, Nicki Taylor and Ted Williams for reviewing and scoring this year's 29 applications, and interviewing our six outstanding finalists. It was a challenge selecting among such talented and accomplished students!

You and/or your company can support outstanding students like Preeti and Justin by making a tax-deductible donation to The Committee of 100 Scholarship Fund at DCF.

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Thanks for your generous support!

Mileage-Based User Fee Pilot - Phase 2



DelDOT invites you to participate in the upcoming Phase 2 Mileage-Based User Fee (MBUF) pilot. As you may know, Delaware is the lead state for a pilot project to determine the feasibility of replacing the state fuel tax with a mileage-based user fee. The main purpose of the pilot is to provide a better understanding of how a MBUF might work in our region given the potential for out-of-state mileage and toll interoperability challenges. Delaware is recruiting 450 participants.

Participation will include having a plug-in device – with or without location – installed in your vehicle's on board diagnostic (OBD) port to track mileage (you will be able to choose the method). Mileage and fuel usage will be based on vehicle data obtained from the plug-in device. Location information will be used to differentiate the mileage by the state in which the vehicle was driven, and also provides enhanced driver amenities. A mock monthly "invoice" will be generated to show mileage traveled and what the MBUF would be based on those miles. The entire pilot project will be a simulated mock process and no funds will be involved at any point.

The pilot is scheduled to begin in July and sign-ups are underway now to get participants registered so they can receive their plug-in devices in time. If you're willing to participate, **please use this link to sign-up as a volunteer by May 31: [I-95 MBUF Pilot Study](#).**

Please feel free to forward this to family and friends as well. DelDOT wants to get a diverse cross-section of participants.

You can find more information about MBUF at <https://www.i95coalitionmbuf.org/>.



The Committee of 100

ANNUAL JUNE BBQ

Monday, June 17, 2019
5:30 - 8:30 PM
University & Whist Club

Kick-off summer with the best networking event of the season. Connect with colleagues and elected officials at this casual, fun and filling event.

All-you-can-eat for \$50

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This year's June BBQ will be extra special as we celebrate Paul Morrill's retirement from The Committee of 100!



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Talent Summit
Driving Innovative Solutions for
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Tuesday, June 18, 2019
Chase Center on the Riverfront

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KEYNOTE PRESENTATIONS | ROUNDTABLE DISCUSSIONS | WORKFORCE DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMS & RESOURCES

The **Talent Summit** is a full day conference that will bring together industry, academia, and providers of workforce development programs and training to discuss short and long-term needs and solutions to build a sustainable talent pipeline for Delaware's future.

• **STEM/Sciences** roundtable discussion facilitated by:

Helen Stimson, President of Delaware BioScience Association

Terri Hartwell-Easter, Founding Principal of T.H. Easter Consulting

• **Skilled Trades, Manufacturing, & Logistics** roundtable discussion facilitated by

Jennifer Kmiec, Executive Director of The Committee of 100

Bryon Short, Executive Vice President of Delaware Contractors Association

• **Fintech/Financial Services** roundtable discussion facilitated by:

John Collins, Founder of First State Fintech Lab

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