



ASTRONAUT SCHOLARSHIP IMPACT SURVEY RESULTS

When asked what aspects of the Astronaut Scholarship award were most meaningful, all surveyed respondents ranked **networking** and **funding** at the top.

100%

Describe the Astronaut Scholarship award as prestigious.

100%

Of those who attended recommend future scholars also attend Innovators Week.

98%

Believe the Astronaut Scholarship Foundation is achieving our mission.

Of those who attended with family/friends felt Innovators Week was meaningful to share.

97%

Believe presenting their research at Innovators Week was positive and recommend future scholars to do so.

96%

Found value in the Professional Development sessions at Innovators Week.

93%

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It really allowed me to focus on my academic goals and be less worried about the financial path to get there. More importantly though, I think the prestige paid dividends during my graduate school application process.

Cole Kazemba
2009 University of Minnesota Astronaut Scholar

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CONFIDENCE

Confidence is an unexpected by-product of the Astronaut Scholarship and was used by several respondents when asked for open-ended comments on the impact of their award.

INNOVATORS WEEK & GALA HAS BEEN AN EXTREMELY POSITIVE ADDITION TO ASTRONAUT SCHOLAR ENGAGEMENT. BELOW ARE WORDS SURVEY RESPONDENTS USED TO DESCRIBE THEIR EXPERIENCE AT THIS EVENT.



The Astronaut Scholarship introduced me to some of the most incredible people I have ever met – the astronauts, the ASF staff, and the other scholars are an absolute inspiration to me. ASF believed in me when my own belief in myself wavered and pushed me to continue to shoot for the moon. I could not be more grateful.

*Samantha Sequeira
2022 Florida Tech Astronaut Scholar*



It allowed me to graduate debt free.

*Hope Townsend
2020 & 2021 Miami University
Astronaut Scholar*

