

**Scholarship and Leadership Program
Niswonger Foundation Board Update
Thursday, November 14, 2019**

Scholar Selection Process

- The interviews for the 2020 Niswonger Scholars were conducted on Friday, November 8, 2019. We had 82 nominations this year. Nancy interviewed 52 of these nominees to identify the 12 finalists.
- Alumni Alex Croghan, Courtney Johnson, Jason Light and Alora Ricker joined Board Representative Nikki Niswonger as members of this year's Selection Committee.
- See Board material (Ratification of Scholarship Selections) with names of the Niswonger Scholar candidates for Board discussion and approval.

Leadership Development

- *Winter Training* will be Thursday and Friday, December 19 and 20 **at the Niswonger Foundation Learning Center.**
- **We invite our Board Members to join us for all or part of our training activities.**
- **Opportunities for informal time with the Scholars will be a casual dinner and holiday party on Thursday evening, December 19; and breakfast on Friday, December 20, at 8:15 a.m. at the Niswonger Foundation Learning Center.**
- The text for our Winter Training is "*Failing Forward*," by John Maxwell. The Scholars have begun "pre-training" assignments that will prepare them for the two days of activities.
- The agenda for *2019 Winter Training* is attached to this report.

Scholar Updates

- The calendar for 2019-20 Scholar activities is included as an attachment.
- Scholar News is included as an attachment.

Alumni Scholar Updates

- Alumni Scholar News is included as an attachment.
- **Board Members, with spouses or guests, are invited to join the Alumni Scholars for a Holiday Gathering and Dinner on Saturday, December 21. The Reception will begin at 4:30 p.m. at the Niswonger Foundation. Dinner will follow at 6:15 p.m. at the General Morgan Inn.**

Publications

- The Scholars Directory is currently in production.

Handouts

- Scholar and Local Alumni Contact Information