Desmond A. McGlone, senior at Lakeland High School Receives the 2010 Colonel Fred V. Cherry Scholarship

It is with great pride the Suffolk Foundation announces the awarding of the $1,500 Colonel Fred V. Cherry Scholarship to Mr. Desmond McGlone, a senior at Lakeland High School. Desmond is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Ronnie McGlone. The Colonel Cherry scholarship was established to honor Colonel Cherry, a Suffolk native and a Viet Nam veteran who was captured and held as a Prisoner of War. The Cherry scholarship is being presented by the Suffolk Foundation for the first time. For the past several years, the scholarship has not been presented. In July, 2009 the Suffolk Foundation accepted the responsibility of managing and administering the Colonel Fred V. Cherry Scholarship.

In making the selection, the distribution committee reviewed the applicant’s academic performance, extracurricular activities, character, and recommendations. The committee was impressed with Desmond’s academic, extra and co-curricular, and service activities. It was evident that Desmond is a hard worker with a can do attitude. He worked at the Suffolk School Board Office his junior year as a COE student, while he continued to participate in the marching band and the elite concert band, and volunteered his time freely working with sickle cell organizations. Desmond aspires to be an atmospheric scientist and musician and will pursue these plans at Old Dominion University in the fall. The $1,500 scholarship will be sent directly to the University to assist with tuition or other university fees.

Congratulations to Desmond McGlone, a student committed to his studies and proven to be a positive example for his peers. The Suffolk Foundation is proud to have the opportunity to award their first Colonel Fred V. Cherry Scholarship to a deserving student, and wishes him well in all his future endeavors.