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**FAIRFIELD COUNTY FOUNDATION ANNOUNCES TROCCHIA AWARD RECIPIENT**

LANCASTER, Ohio --The Fairfield County Foundation has announced the 2012-2013 scholarship recipient for the Robert Trocchia Outstanding Music Student Award. Last year, the Foundation provided $775,518 in scholarships to 348 area students.

The Robert Trocchia Outstanding Music Student Award is presented annually at Fairfield Union High School to the individual selected as the outstanding music student in his or her senior class. The award is designed to honor excellence in musical achievement and to recognize the many years of outstanding work in music education of Robert Trocchia. The award was permanently established at the Fairfield County Foundation in 2001 and first awarded to a music student at Fairfield Union High School in May 2001. It is given in memory of the family of William D. Hilyard, class of 1962, Rushcreek Memorial High School, Bremen, Ohio.

This year, the award was given to Fairfield Union student, Alex Baker.

*The Fairfield County Foundation is a 501 (c) (3) non-profit that, along with its supporters, helps to enhance the quality of life and economic viability in our community. Its scholarship program helps to sustain opportunities for local youth to achieve their academic goals. The Foundation was formed in 1989 and grants today continue to support the arts, children’s programs, health and wellness projects, community development, academics, and more. The Foundation is a recipient of the National Standards Seal, indicating official confirmation from the Council on Foundations that it has met the most rigorous standards in philanthropy and affirming the Foundation’s commitment to financial security, transparency and accountability. For more information about the Foundation, please call 740-654-8451 or visit* [*www.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org*](https://ch1prd0102.outlook.com/owa/redir.aspx?C=4v7yUAy5FUuak2R8t5cQoSSDaTxlps4IfF4dm2477ucggFU36ntN56Z_ZYPNNgrMGr5Zl5HRweg.&URL=http%3a%2f%2fwww.fairfieldcountyfoundation.org)*.*

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