

## Letter to the Editor

# McDuffie support helps ORION Foundation

Dear Editor:

The ORION Foundation is a nonprofit organization purposed to preserve artistic identity and prevent suicide. Annually, The ORION Foundation provides a scholarship to graduating high school seniors who plan to pursue a degree in the arts. The 2018 ORION Arts Scholarship recipient is Fiona Chalmers.

Fiona is a 2018 Titusville High School (THS) graduate. She ranked 8th in her class with a 4.46 GPA and also earned an Associates of Arts degree. Fiona has garnered numerous academic and music achievements to include Phi Theta Kappa honors, THS Scholar Athlete, National Honor Society, District 10 Superior Vocal Large



Photo courtesy of Latisha Sims  
**Fiona Chalmers**

Group Rating, and Berklee College of Music Singer-Songwriter Showcase...just to name a few among an extensive list of impressive accomplishments. In addition, Fiona has proven good citizenship by volunteering

with Keep Brevard Beautiful, Sources of Strength, nursing homes, and soup kitchens. As a key student leader at Holy Spirit Catholic Church, Fiona uses her talents to cantor and deliver praise and worship for the LifeTeen/EDGE community.

This summer, Fiona is not wasting any time as she will be helping with Jam Camp, a special YMCA program outside of Nashville that teaches young teens to write songs, play instruments, and perform. In the fall, Fiona plans to attend Middle Tennessee State University to further her education in music business with an emphasis on songwriting. Her long-term goal is to attend

Florida State University to obtain a Master's degree in Music Therapy. Fiona believes music therapy "offers a completely pure and natural method of healing."

Be on the lookout for this budding star. She is a determined, creative young woman who is destined for greatness. Congratulations, Ms. Fiona Chalmers!

Thank you, McDuffie County, Brevard County, and online donors for supporting the ORION Arts Scholarship and playing a role in helping to make dreams possible!

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