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**BELLINGHAM TECHNICAL COLLEGE STUDENT AMY REDFERN NAMED A 2021 NEW CENTURY WORKFORCE SCHOLAR**

Bellingham Washington, April 15, 2021— Amy Redfern an Administrative Assistant and Computer Software Support student at Bellingham Technical College, has been named a 2021 New Century Workforce Scholar and will receive a \$1,250 scholarship.

This scholarship is the first of its kind to support students at associate degree-granting institutions on a national scale as they plan to enter the workforce upon the completion of a degree or certificate. The program is sponsored by The Coca-Cola Foundation and Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society.

“Amy has made her mark on this campus, not just as an excellent student, but as a student government officer and a peer counselor,” said Walter Hudsick, Interim President and Chief Academic Officer, Bellingham Technical College. “She is exceptional in many ways, and well-deserving of this honor. We are very proud of her.”

New Century Workforce Scholars are selected based on their academic accomplishments, leadership, activities, and how they extend their intellectual talents beyond the classroom. Over 2,000 students were nominated from more than 1,200 college campuses across the country. Only one New Century Workforce Scholar was selected from each state.

“We congratulate Amy for receiving this prestigious scholarship, and we are honored to partner with The Coca-Cola Foundation to recognize her outstanding achievements,” said Phi Theta Kappa’s President and CEO Dr. Lynn Tincher-Ladner. “Scholarship programs like this are integral for creating opportunities for students to succeed as they prepare to enter the workforce and for putting college completion within reach.”

The New Century Workforce Scholars will be recognized in the fall.

**About The Coca-Cola Foundation**

The Coca-Cola Foundation is the global philanthropic arm of The Coca-Cola Company. Since its inception in 1984, the Foundation has awarded more than \$1 billion in grants to support sustainable community initiatives around the world. For more information about The Coca-Cola Foundation, please visit [coca-colagivingback.com](http://coca-colagivingback.com).

**About Phi Theta Kappa**

Phi Theta Kappa is the premier honor society recognizing the academic achievement of students at associate degree-granting colleges and helping them to grow as scholars and leaders. The Society is made up of more than 3.5 million members and nearly 1,300 chapters in 11 nations, with approximately 240,000 active members in the nation's colleges. Learn more at [ptk.org](http://ptk.org).

### **About Bellingham Technical College**

Bellingham Technical College is accredited by the Northwest Commission on Colleges and Universities, and offers seven transfer degrees such as pre-nursing, computer science and business. Completion of these degrees prepares BTC students to transfer with a junior status to participating colleges and universities in Washington State. BTC offers 39 associate degree, 55 certificate options and two bachelor of applied science degrees providing professional technical education to support local and regional industry workforce needs. For more information, go to [www.btc.edu](http://www.btc.edu).

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