Around the State: Wayland receives NSF scholarship grant

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The National Science Foundation awarded a \$1.36 million Noyce Teacher Scholarship Program grant to Wayland Baptist University. The grant will help provide financial aid and scholarships for exceptionally qualified students who are studying to become high school math and science teachers. The project includes partnerships with Plainview High School and South Plains College to discover qualified candidates beginning with the fall 2022 semester. Qualified students attending the main Wayland campus in Plainview are eligible for up to \$16,000 a year each in financial aid toward their degree. Project goals also include graduating 25 WBU Noyce scholars and retaining them as STEM (science, technology, engineering and mathematics) educators in high-need districts. "This grant will have a huge impact on STEM education on the South Plains. We are constantly facing a shortage of STEM teachers in the area," said Adam Reinhart, dean of the Kenneth L. Mattox School of Mathematics and Sciences at Wayland. "The grant will produce more than STEM teachers. It will produce uniquely qualified 'scientist-educators' through undergraduate scientific research and other programming such as mentoring, both as undergraduates and their first few years in the classroom." For information about student applications, email reinhart@wbu.edu.



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there was no evidence to substantiate prosecution of Trump for intent of collusion regarding the assault on the Capitol.