



Melissa Velez



Scholarship: \$2,000 Annual Anchor Scholarship sponsored by Austal

College: Virginia Tech - Sophomore

Major: Professional and Technical Writing

Academic and Extracurricular Highlights:

- **3.74** College GPA
- Academic Excellence Award
- Virginia Space Coast Scholars Summer Program participant

Quotes:

“She represents what is best about our surface navy families. Despite the difficulties of having an active duty SWO as a father, she has the capacity to overcome challenges and excel during adversity. Her future is bright!” **Kelley T. Jones** - SWO

“When I first heard about the Anchor Scholarship, I was excited to apply and possibly receive an award. After receiving my email and learning that I had received the scholarship, I was ecstatic. This will help lessen the financial burden of college as I work toward my goals, both now and in the future. Thank you so much for making this possible!” **Melissa**