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STATE BOARD ANNOUNCES SCHOLARSHIP WINNERS

BOISE - More than 30 Idaho high school seniors are the recipients of the prestigious Robert E. Lee Category A Scholarship.

The \$3,000 per year, renewable scholarship, is highly competitive and based on academic achievement. Students must use the scholarship to attend institutions of higher education in Idaho. To apply for the academic scholarship, students must be in the top 10 percent of their graduating class with a grade point average of 3.5 or higher and an ACT score of 28 or above. The Robert E. Lee Scholarship is one of the most competitive awards in state; of the 124 qualified applicants, only 25 were selected.

“The students who receive the Robert E. Lee Scholarship are among Idaho’s best students,” said Rod Lewis, President of the State Board of Education. “Those who are awarded this scholarship are at the top of their class and have achieved outstanding academic records. We are fortunate to have these students continue their education at one of Idaho’s quality institutions.”

Students receiving the scholarship are:

Elise Helvie	BISHOP KELLY HIGH SCHOOL
Jason Hammon	BONNEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
Heather Rininger	CAMBRIDGE JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL
Benjamin Coate	CAPITAL SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Nick Davidson	EAGLE HIGH SCHOOL
Cole Bitzenburg	FILER HIGH SCHOOL
Michael Murdoch	GRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL
Elisabeth Mussler	GRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL
Whitney Marquez	MADISON SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Brian Manning	MERIDIAN CHARTER HIGH SCHOOL
Kyle Atkinson	MIDDLETON HIGH SCHOOL
John Jeppson	MOUNTAIN VIEW HIGH SCHOOL
Jenni Crawford	CULDESAC HIGH SCHOOL
Cori Howard	NEZPERCE JR-SR HIGH SCHOOL

Kelby Wilson	PRAIRIE HIGH SCHOOL
Jessica Dayley	RIGBY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Stephen Wood	RIGBY SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Joshua Hayes	RIRIE HIGH SCHOOL
Janae Reed	SKYLINE SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Jared Huber	SOUTH FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL
Mallory Parkinson	SUGAR-SALEM HIGH SCHOOL
John Boyd	TIMBERLINE HIGH SCHOOL
Garrett Coman	TIMBERLINE HIGH SCHOOL
Derek Erstad	TIMBERLINE HIGH SCHOOL
Eli Henson	WENDELL HIGH SCHOOL

The State Board of Education also awards Robert E. Lee Promise Scholarships for professional technical students. Students must earn a cumulative GPA of 2.8 or above and take the COMPASS test. Professional technical students receiving the scholarship must enroll in a professional technical program in Idaho. Students receiving the scholarship are:

Andrea Reynolds	BONNEVILLE HIGH SCHOOL
Nathan Benson	GRACE JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL
Sheldon Corry	HILLCREST HIGH SCHOOL
John Savage	OROFINO HIGH SCHOOL
Amanda Hopkins	POCATELLO SENIOR HIGH SCHOOL
Chris Birch	SOUTH FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL
Alyssa Neilson	SOUTH FREMONT HIGH SCHOOL
Trista Jensen	SUGAR-SALEM HIGH SCHOOL

More than 7,000 Idaho students will also receive the Robert E. Lee Promise Scholarship Category B. The \$500 scholarship is automatically awarded to incoming freshmen attending an Idaho college or university. Students must have earned a 3.0 GPA in high school or scored more than 20 on the ACT to receive the award.