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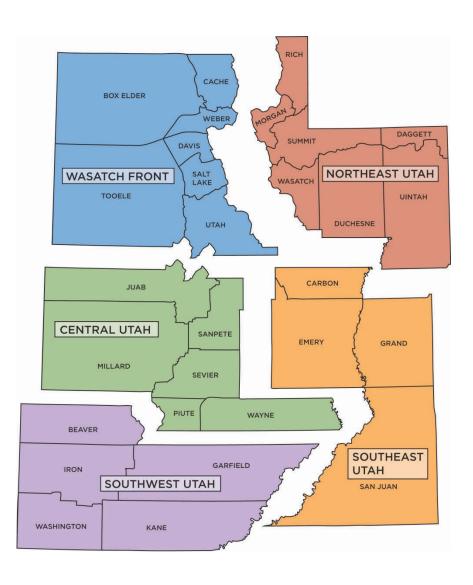
outstanding scholastic achievement of
high school seniors in the State of

Utah.

Due to the distance involved and differing academic circumstances, the program is conducted in five independent areas throughout the state's 40 school districts and 29 counties. These areas are the Wasatch Front, Northeast Utah, Central Utah, Southeast Utah and Southwest Utah. Each area follows the guidelines established by Deseret News and KSL Broadcast Group, sponsors of the Sterling Scholar Awards since 1962. However, only the Wasatch Front competition is directly administered by Deseret News and the KSL Broadcast Group.

The program is sponsored in cooperation with the Utah State
Office of Education, district officials and high school administrators as well as colleges and universities that support the program through scholarships and other financial assistance.

STERLING SCHOLAR REGIONS





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he purpose of the Sterling Scholar Awards is to publicly recognize and encourage the pursuit of excellence in scholarship, leadership and citizenship of high school seniors in the State of Utah. The Deseret News and KSL Broadcast Group developed the program especially to focus attention on outstanding seniors in order to recognize them publicly as well as award cash scholarships and tuition waivers from participating institutions. The Sterling Scholar Awards Program seeks to commend and encourage excellence among all students. All nominees are judged equally on the basis of scholastic achievement without regard to religion, sex, political preference or national origin.

The sponsors salute the extraordinary development of the talents and ideals of each year's outstanding scholars. We gratefully acknowledge the cooperation and assistance of the Utah State Office of Education, Utah colleges and universities, school districts, high school administrations and faculties, Utah businesses and many others.

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2013 STERLING SCHOLAR AWARDS PROGRAM

The Deseret News – KSL Broadcast Group Sterling Scholar Awards would like to acknowledge the outstanding achievements of all students nominated as Sterling Scholars from their high school. While only a few Sterling Scholar nominees will receive our highest recognition, students should be reminded that it is truly a great honor to be nominated by teachers and administrators from their high school who know them best. These students encompass the essence of the Sterling Scholar Awards. Congratulations to all of our high school nominees!

Who is Eligible?

The Sterling Scholar Awards are open to Utah public high school seniors. It is expected that each school will nominate one candidate in any of the 13 categories. Each school may nominate only one student in each of the 13 categories and a student may be nominated in only one category. The selection process and nomination of students as Sterling Scholar nominees is left entirely up to each high school.

Sterling Scholar officials consider a student a high school senior if he/she will be graduating with the senior class during the year 2013.

High school seniors who attend college classes full or part-time or are classified as foreign exchange students are eligible for the Sterling Scholar Awards. However, the program is designed to recognize scholastic achievement in Utah public high schools. To be selected a Sterling Scholar nominee students must have extraordinary scholarship scores as well as service in leadership and community service/citizenship opportunities at their Utah public high school. It is up to each school to determine if an individual has been in attendance enough to experience these leadership and community service/citizenship opportunities. Each Sterling Scholar nominee's entire school experience will be considered, although emphasis will be placed on the high school years. High school officials are urged to nominate scholars for categories in which the students are genuinely interested and qualified.

METHOD OF NOMINATION

Ultimately, selecting nominees is the responsibility of the school principal and not the Deseret News or KSL Broadcast Group. No specific method of selection is required, although the process outlined below provides an excellent opportunity to encourage scholarship. Accordingly, the opportunity to apply to the Sterling Scholar program should be open to as many students as possible.

The following procedure is encouraged to determine each school's Sterling Scholar:

- 1. Principal selects and assigns a committee of school faculty, including a Sterling Scholar coordinator, to administer the nomination process of public high school seniors for Sterling Scholar Awards participation.
- 2. The committee should create a questionnaire that is distributed to students as a guide for evaluating activities, achievements and ambitions within an area of high school education that is characterized by one of the Sterling Scholar categories.
- **3.** The completed questionnaire and supporting materials should be submitted to the principal and/or assigned committee for review. Departmental advisors should be contacted for aid in nominee recommendations based on the submitted questionnaire and additional information.
- **4.** Ultimately, the principal will determine which individual in each category will be submitted as the school's official nominee.

PLEASE NOTE: The Deseret News and the KSL Broadcast Group do NOT take part in the selection of nominees. All questions must be directed to the school and NOT the Deseret News or KSL Broadcast Group. All inquiries must be handled by the school coordinator, principal or assistant principal, who is responsible for contacting the Sterling Scholar director for clarification (*this includes parents*, *students*, *teachers*, *etc.*). Failure to comply with this rule may result in disqualification of nominee.

JUDGING & QUALIFICATIONS

Each nominee will be required to submit a portfolio containing entry forms, a 3x5-inch photo, category-based showpiece items and other information. (Please see "Guidelines for Preparing Portfolios")

Judging will be based on portfolios, exhibits and personal interviews that demonstrate excellence in the following areas:

- SCHOLARSHIP (20 Points). A student's overall GPA, difficulty of class schedule, standardized test scores such as ACT and SAT, class ranking and similar scholarship items attained during high school will be used to establish points for Scholarship.
- **CATEGORY SCHOLARSHIP (20 Points).** Emphasis is placed on the nominee's ability and talent in their specific category. While judges seek evidence of growth and service in all activities, the nominee's talent and aptitude within their category will receive particular emphasis in this judging phase.
- **LEADERSHIP (20 Points).** The qualities of leadership in Utah public high schools can be measured in part by the responsibilities placed on a student by his/her teachers and fellow students. However, evidence of positive influence with fellow students also shall be considered an indication of leadership.
- **COMMUNITY SERVICE/CITIZENSHIP (20 Points).** Each Sterling Scholar nominee should exhibit a record of high standards of citizenship throughout his/her high school years. Service to school, community or other organizations will be considered. The nominee's attitude toward the acceptance of responsibility in contribution roles, as well as seeking out service opportunities will be especially important. Evidence of a long-term commitment to service will also receive particular attention.
- **INTERVIEW (20 Points)** Semifinalist and Finalist Judging. During the interview judges will evaluate the nominee's ability to answer questions pertaining to their category. Body language, technical knowledge, communication skills, and plans for continued education in the category will all be included in the Interview point assessment.

The Wasatch Front Region has 81 public high schools participating in the 2013 Sterling Scholar Awards Program. In order to accommodate an estimated 900 Sterling Scholar nominees, the region is broken down into three areas (North, Central and South) from which semi-finalists will be sent to compete in the region finals. Three judging sessions will be implemented. Jan. 20, 2013, is the deadline for electronic submission of nominee portfolios. Semi-final category judges will access, review and award points to all the portfolios within their category and area. The top 15 in each category will be selected based on points on Jan. 30, 2013, to compete in a semi-final judging. On Jan. 31, 2013, those semi-finalists will be announced on the Sterling Scholar website (www.sterlingscholar.org) along with their interview times at their respective area location to be held on Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2013, (North Area – Ben Lomond High School, Ogden; Central Area – Copper Hills High School, West Jordan; South Area – Timpview High School, Provo). Three judges will be provided for each category in each area and will

be selected from a pool of public high school educators, higher education and/or the private sector. Judges in each category work together – but independently of all other judges. Five semi-finalists will be selected from each category in each area to compete in the finals, which will be held on Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013, at Woods Cross High School, Woods Cross. There are no provisions to allocate or distribute winners or runners-up among the schools. Judges are instructed to select the most qualified in each category without regard to school affiliation.

All nominees must be present at the appropriate time and place for their interviews. Interviews cannot be changed to another day to accommodate individual needs. There are no exceptions.

ALL DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES ARE FINAL. Officials from the Deseret News and KSL Broadcast Group will not overrule any judges' decisions absent clear and convincing proof of fraud or abuse. The Deseret News and KSL Broadcast Group reserve the right to reschedule the judging of interviews and will notify nominees (schools) as may be appropriate.

CATEGORIES

NOTE: Upon entering the building for either semi-final or final interviews, any interview exhibits, displays and/or artwork MUST be limited to what can be carried in the arms of the nominee **without the help of others.** (Parents, fellow nominees, etc. **may not** assist in any way.) Nominees may not use carts or similar devices. Accompanists may only stay during the performance portion of the interview and must leave the room upon conclusion of the performance.

ENGLISH – For scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: creative writing, English, journalism, literature and related subjects. Two examples of work either published or prepared as classroom assignments must be submitted. There will be an additional four portfolio pages allowed for this submission. The quality of thought, maturity, originality and technical skill will be considered.

MATHEMATICS – For scholarship and achievement in mathematics and related areas. Scholars may exhibit outstanding records in mathematics competitions and evidence of potential contributions to mathematical knowledge. Nominees should be prepared to calculate a mathematical equation(s) in the judging interviews. Students should submit state and national math scores and other standardized mathematics test scores.

SOCIAL SCIENCE – For scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: American government, geography, history, economics, social issues, world affairs and/or related subjects. Scholars should have a broad background in the social sciences and demonstrate, exemplify and practice good citizenship. The nominees may have shown inventiveness in relating social studies to existing problems and in translating concepts into experiment.

SCIENCE – For scholarship and achievement in advanced work, inventiveness or outstanding service in one or more of the following areas: biology, chemistry, engineering, physics, health science, science and related subjects. Imagination, originality or special contributions will receive major consideration in judging.

FOREIGN LANGUAGE – For outstanding scholarship and persistence in the study of a foreign language. Student should have made unusual contributions to the field of foreign language study or demonstrated increasing interest in such studies at their school. Rankings received in foreign language festivals should be submitted. Students should also submit a brief resume of language projects or

adventures in which they have participated. Nominees should be prepared to demonstrate their ability to communicate in the language by speaking, listening, reading and writing. For languages lacking a written component (for example American Sign Language and some native American languages) the written component may be replaced by a translation, interpretation or literature exercise that demonstrates skills in grammar, syntax, and artistic forms. NOTE: Foreign Language includes any language, other than English, offered for credit in the general curriculum (not as an independent study) of any high school, college or university within the state of Utah. A foreign-born student attending an English-speaking high school may not use English or their native tongue as a "foreign language." Deaf students, for whom ASL is their first language, are considered native language users. Children of Deaf Parents are considered in the same manner as children of first generation native foreign language users.

COMPUTER TECHNOLOGY – For outstanding scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: Computer programming, interfacing, networking, repair, construction, design and illustration, media and multi-media, or other related fields. The nominee may have won awards or recognitions, implemented their skills in behalf of their school and community or demonstrated innovative progress in their field. Nominees are not expected to have experience in all listed fields, but expertise in at least one discipline.

SKILLED AND TECHNICAL SCIENCES EDUCATION – For outstanding scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: Agriculture sciences, automotive services, automotive collision repair, cabinetmaking/millwork, carpentry, cosmetology/barbering, drafting/CADD, graphics/printing technology, law enforcement, machinist technician/CNC, welding, film making and other related fields. The nominee may have won awards in competitions, devised equipment or materials for school use or shown unusual progress in this study. Nominees are not expected to have experience in all listed fields, but expertise in at least one discipline.

FAMILY AND CONSUMER SCIENCES – For outstanding scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: child development and care, interior design, family living, food and nutrition, culinary arts, clothing and fashion and other life skills. Nominees are not expected to have experience in all listed fields, but expertise in at least one discipline. Nominees may have won awards in youth organizations, other competitions or may have used skills to render service to their school, church or other organizations.

BUSINESS AND MARKETING – Demonstrate a high level of scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: Business management, non-profit management, accounting, entrepreneurship, sales, marketing and other fields related to business occupations. Nominees may have won awards in competitions or exhibited proficiency in working with or in small or large businesses. Nominees may have held elected offices, captainships, and other evidences of peer acknowledged leadership. Nominees are also encouraged to provide evidence of successful outside activities that support business career development and interests. Evidence of excellence in standardized test scores, GPA, class ranking, IB classes and quantitative AP courses should be provided.

SPEECH/DRAMA – For scholarship and achievement in one or more of the following areas: Debate, drama, musical theater, theater, public speaking or other forensic events. Nominees are not expected to have experience in all listed fields, just expertise in at least one discipline. Nominees should include in their portfolios two examples of their work or descriptions of their activities related to this category. They should also be prepared to give a brief demonstration of public or oral communication, appropriate to their specialty, approximately two to three minutes in length. (Nominees should not be discouraged if judges interrupt the performance so that they can continue the interview.)

VISUAL ARTS – For scholarship and achievement in creative expression in one of more of the following areas: drawing, artistic photography, commercial art, mixed media, graphic art, painting,

sculpture and related fields. The nominee may have demonstrated professional potential in one or more disciplines, contributed outstanding service to the school and successfully completed in district and state art shows. Visual arts nominees must show some examples of artwork in their portfolio.

MUSIC – For demonstrating outstanding scholarship and achievement in one or more of the areas of music. Exceptional talent in composition, vocal or instrumental music will be considered, but service to school or community through this talent also will be among determining qualifications. Nominees should be prepared to demonstrate their musical talent during a period of two to three minutes by playing an instrument or singing. (Nominees should not be discouraged if judges interrupt the performance so that they can continue the interview.)

DANCE – For demonstrating exceptional skill, achievement and creative expression in artistic dance (ballroom dance included). Portfolios should include training received, dances choreographed, major performances and dance service rendered to the school or community. Nominees should be prepared to demonstrate their technique and choreographic skills by performing a self-choreographed solo composition, approximately two minutes in length. Nominees will also be asked to respond to an improvisational problem during part of the interview. No performance videos required – but should be included in the electronic portfolio. (Nominees should not be discouraged if judges interrupt the performance so that they can continue the interview.)

GENERAL INFORMATION AND INSTRUCTIONS

Guidelines for Preparing Portfolios

- 1. Each nominee's portfolio should be enclosed in an official Sterling Scholar Awards portfolio cover supplied to each high school by organizers. *The name, category and high school of each nominee must be listed beneath the logo on the front cover of the portfolio in any manner, including printed label, calligraphy or laser printing.*
- 2. Portfolios may not contain more than 10 single sheet pages. Clear sheet protectors may be used so that pertinent material may be displayed effectively on both sides. Lamination may also be utilized for cover and/or inside pages. Therefore, if a portfolio contained the maximum number of pages it would allow 20 "exposures" on the 10 sheets. PLEASE NOTE: English category nominees are allowed four additional single-sided sheets for a total of 24 "exposures." Nominees are encouraged to utilize all pages.

3. Content:

Page 1: Nominee's ID page (not supplied by Sterling Scholar organizers) which includes only the nominee's name, photograph, category and school.

Pages 2 and 3: Student entry forms (provided by organizers).

Page 4 (and if needed, 5 and 6): A certified list of high school grades (must be stamped, bearing official school seal or principal's signature and MUST include class ranking, cumulative GPA and ACT scores. **Proof of ACT scores required if not on the transcript.**

Page 5, 6 and/or 7 (depending on whether or not nominees required two or three pages for transcript): The principal's report (provided by organizers)

Page 6, 7(or 8): Standardized test data sheet (provided by organizers)

Page 7, 8 (or 9): One page letter of recommendation by any teacher/instructor. Include the teacher's assessment of the individual with specific reasons for the recommendation plus examples of evidence as to why "this is the best student I have ever had," etc. Any remaining sheets following these required pages are up to the nominee's discretion. It is helpful for judges if sections for leadership and community service/citizenship are somehow identified.

- 4. PORTFOLIOS ARE NOT TO BE SCRAPBOOKS. Please be selective of material. These booklets must not contain any of the following: heavy cardboard, cloth pages or more than two layers of paper used for design purposes. Please do not include originals of medals, certificates, etc. A photocopy of limited items is recommended. Judges prefer more explanation rather than an overload of certificates and artifacts. Please describe what was meaningful, what you learned and what you accomplished.
- 5. A spiral, velo or similar binding, available at most copy shops, may be used to complete the portfolio. (No loose-leaf binders please.) It is necessary that portfolios open completely and quickly to facilitate the judging process. These booklets must be very durable because they must remain intact throughout the competition. Therefore, we strongly suggest laminating the front and back covers to add reinforcement and durability to the portfolios. Visual Arts nominees must show some examples of artwork in their portfolio.
- 6. Portfolios not adhering to these guidelines may result in deduction of points at the discretion of the judges.

General Information

Entries will be accepted only from the principal or coordinator of each school. This ensures the integrity of each nominee. Nominees are to list their full name on all Sterling Scholar forms just as they wish it to appear in the newspaper publication. For example, PLEASE do not list parents as Mr. and Mrs. Bob Jones, instead include both mother and father's name, i.e. Bob and Sue Jones. Organizers will be sensitive to situations involving divorced or single parents and step-parents. Please make intentions clear.

For those participating in the Wasatch Front Sterling Scholar area, each school (coordinator or principal) must complete and submit the "Report of School Nominees" form and "Parent/Student Declaration" form along with the nominee photos should be uploaded/submitted on or before Friday, Jan. 11, 2013. This deadline should not be confused with the deadline for portfolio submission on Wednesday, Jan. 20, 2013. **All other Sterling Scholar regions** - Each list must be accompanied by a portrait photo, approximately 3x5 inches of each nominee. All photos should be color. **All photos should be placed on a disk in a JPG format along with the name of the student, category and school. Please include a printout of photos with the above information also.**

Exhibits are allowed in all categories for interviews. Nominees will be responsible for transporting exhibits to and from places of judging. Exhibits that cannot be accommodated in portfolios should not be sent but should be reserved for judging interviews. Remember – upon entering the building the number of exhibits, displays and/or artwork taken to the interview MUST be limited to what can be carried in the arms of the nominee in one trip without the help of others. Parents, fellow nominees, etc. ARE NOT ALLOWED to assist in any way.

Students will be judged on their portfolios, exhibits and personal interviews. The interviews are important and nominees should prepare for them. ALL NOMINEES MUST BE PRESENT AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME AND PLACE FOR THE INTERVIEW. FAILURE TO PARTICIPATE IN THE PERSONAL INTERVIEW MAY BE GROUNDS FOR DISQUALIFICATION. THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS. DEPENDING ON UNFORSEEN CIRCUMSTANCES, THE DESERET NEWS/KSL BROADCAST GROUP RESERVES THE RIGHT TO RESCHEDULE THE JUDGING OF INTERVIEWS. No provisions will be made to schedule special interviews to suit individual needs or for a videotape, audiotape, PowerPoint presentation, teleconferencing or another individual to represent that nominee.

Nominees should be counseled to bring only pertinent exhibits to interviews. Any samples, demonstration presentations, keepsakes, or other offering that could be interpreted as gifts for the judges are in extremely poor taste and are not allowed and, more importantly, may result in disqualification.

Regional programs follow these same basic Sterling Scholar guidelines but with their own schedule. Some procedures may vary.

A WORD ABOUT PHOTOGRAPHS

Nominee photographs should be approximately 3x5 inches of head (perpendicular) with shoulders only. No hands, books, flowers, etc. in the photo. Photographs should be in color, if possible. Students should be photographed individually against any PLAIN or light-colored background. Avoid any background that would distract from the subject. If photographing outdoors, shoot with the sun or light on the student's face, never against his or her back. NO LASER PRINTS.

All nominees' photos (excluding the Wasatch Front Region) should be placed on a disk in a JPG format with the name of the student, category and school. A printout with the required information should also be submitted along with the disk. If a school does not have the equipment to create a disk, individual photos may be submitted. A typewritten label with required information must be placed on the back of each photo.

2013 STERLING SCHOLAR AWARDS

WASATCH FRONT SCHEDULE

- Friday, Jan. 11, 2013 Deadline for submission of "Parent/Student Declaration" and "Report of Nominees" forms to the Sterling Scholar Director by school coordinator, principal or assistant principal. Also, deadline for uploading of individual and school group photograph to Sterling Scholar website (www.sterlingscholar.org). Minimum photo sizes should be: For group shot, 6.5 inches x 4.5 inches, 300 dpi (or about 135 KB); For individual shot, 1.75 inches x 2.5 inches, 300 dpi (or about 66 KB).
- ₩ednesday, Jan. 20, 2013 Deadline for submission of all electronic portfolios to the Sterling Scholar website. Portfolios must be submitted together as a school by the coordinator or principal and will not be accepted on an individual basis.
- **Wednesday, Jan. 31, 2013** Semi-finalists will be announced along with the semi-final interview schedule.
- Monday, Feb. 11, 2013 Special Sterling Scholar section published in the Deseret News and on KSL online.
- Tuesday, Feb. 12, 2012 Semi-final judging, North Area held at Ben Lomond High School, 800 Jackson Avenue, Ogden; Central Area held at Copper Hills High School, 5545 West New Bingham Highway, West Jordan; South Area held at Timpview High School, 3570 North 650 East, Provo.
- **Wednesday, Feb. 27, 2013** Final judging for all 195 finalists held at Woods Cross High School, 600 West 2200 South, Woods Cross.
- **Wednesday, March 13, 2013** − 52nd Annual Deseret News − KSL Broadcast Group Sterling Scholar Awards Ceremony at Cottonwood High School, 5717 South 1300 East, Salt Lake City, 7 p.m. No tickets are required and there is seating for up to 3,000.

PARTICIPATING HIGH SCHOOLS IN THE WASATCH FRONT REGION

NORTH AREA	CENTRAL AREA	SOUTH AREA
Bear River	American Prep	Alta
Ben Lomond	AMES	American Fork
Bonneville	Beehive Academy	American Leadership Academy
Bountiful	Brighton	Bingham
Box Elder	City Academy	Herriman
Clearfield	Copper Hills	Karl Maeser
Davis	Cottonwood	Lehi
DaVinci	Cyprus	Liberty Academy
Fremont	East	Lone Peak
Layton	East Hollywood	Maple Mountain
Legacy Preparatory	Granger	Merit Academy
Logan	Highland	Mountain View
Mountain Crest	Hillcrest	Orem
Northridge	Hunter	Paradigm
Nuames	Itineris	Payson
Ogden	Jordan	Pioneer High
Roy	Kearns	Pleasant Grove
Sky View	Murray	Provo
Spectrum Academy	Olympus	Riverton
Syracuse	Open High	Rockwell
Stansbury	Salt Lake Center for Science Ed	Salem Hills
Tooele	SL School of the Performing Arts	Spanish Fork
Utah Connections	Skyline	Springville
Utah Virtual	Summit Academy	Timpanogos
Viewmont	Taylorsville	Timpview
Weber	West	Utah County Academy of Science
Woods Cross	West Jordan	Walden School
		Westlake

FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE BY PARTICIPATING INSTITUTIONS

Most colleges and universities in Utah and Brigham young University – Idaho in Rexburg, ID, offer financial assistance to top students in the Deseret News/KSL Broadcast Group Sterling Scholar Awards Program. Some are offered to winners only while other institutions may offer scholarships also to runners-up, and even others offer to finalists or even nominees in the program. Several are renewable based on the student's grade point average. The following are participating educational institutions and their financial assistance for 2013 Sterling Scholars. (Note: Awards are listed as described by the institutions. Exact amounts are not included due to some changes in fee structures. Application must be made immediately; good for the 2013-2014 school year.)

Bridgerland Applied Technology College, Logan – Full tuition waiver for enrollment in a BATC certificate program beginning within one year of high school graduation to north area Sterling Scholar winners from the following North Area High Schools: Bear River, Box Elder, Logan Mountain Crest, Sky View and Rich. Recipients must maintain BATC standards of progress and attendance. Visit BATC online at www.batc.edu or call (435) 750-3204 or (435) 750-3114 for more information.

Brigham Young University, Provo – One-year (two semesters) full LDS tuition scholarships to all category winners in all regions, contingent upon admission to BYU by appropriate deadline. Should you qualify for an academic scholarship at BYU, you will receive whichever scholarship is of greater value. <u>Lea.withers@byu.edu</u>.

Brigham Young University, Rexburg, ID – Full tuition scholarships offered to regional category winners in all regions for one year (two semesters) and half-tuition scholarships for one year (two semesters) to regional category runners-up in all regions, contingent upon admission to BYU-Idaho by the appropriate deadline. Regional category winners and regional category runners-up may not receive more than full tuition from BYU-Idaho for any one semester.

Utah State University-College of Eastern Utah, Price – A two year scholarship, including student fees, to all regional category winners and runners-up, valued at \$5,200. Also a scholarship valued up to \$4,400 to all high school category Sterling Scholars. If you qualify for an academic scholarship you will receive the scholarship of greater value. Scholarships contingent upon recipients maintaining 12 credit hours per semester and a 3,000 semester GPA.

Dixie State College of Utah, St. George – Dixie State College offers one-year, full tuition waivers to Sterling Scholar category winners in all regions. Sterling Scholar scholarships, when used in conjunction with any other scholarships awarded from Dixie State College cannot exceed the cost of full tuition. To claim this scholarship,, the student must be admitted to Dixie State College and submit a copy of their Sterling Scholar Certificate to the scholarship coordinator. Contact Sue Perschon at sperschon@dixie.edu.

LDS Business College, Salt Lake City – One-year full LDS tuition to regional category winners (valued at \$3,060) and one-half LDS tuition to runners-up (valued at \$1,530). Also, a full LDS tuition to runners-up in Business & Marketing Category. Scholarship contingent upon student meeting admissions requirements.

Neumont University, South Jordan – New Mountain Scholarship – Up to 25% of the Cost of Tuition – To encourage the enrollment of highly qualified students, Neumont University grants scholarships of up to 25% of tuition costs for students who demonstrate superior academic competency and skills. Students awarded tuition scholarships are not eligible for other institutional scholarships awarded by the University.

Salt Lake Community College, Salt Lake City – (4) Full-year tuition waivers to offer (12 to 18 credit hours maximum) for two semesters in an eligible program offered to regional category winners, runners-up, and finalists, valued at \$2,759. Recipients must enroll in a minimum of nine credit hours (scholarships amount based on tuition for enrolled credit hours). Students are required to pay individual fees. Scholarship may be added to other awards but not in all cases. Sterling Scholar scholarships are given on a first-come, first serve basis. Scholarships are non-renewable and limited. Recipients must provide a copy of certificate or newspaper clipping of award.

Snow College, Ephraim – A two-year resident tuition scholarship is offered to a regional winner or runner-up in any Sterling Scholar category. This scholarship **cannot** be used in conjunction with an academic scholarship. To be eligible for any scholarship, students must submit the application for admissions and scholarships, postmarked on or before the "new" student scholarship deadline. Students seeking this scholarship must provide documentation to the scholarship office showing receipt of the Regional Sterling Scholar award by May 1 of the year awarded. Additional information on all available scholarships is available at www.snow.edu.

Southern Utah University, Cedar City – Two year \$2,500 awards to regional Sterling Scholar category winners and runners-up.

University of Utah, Salt Lake City – Renewable full tuition waivers to all regional category winners for a total value of approximately \$27,700 for a maximum of eight (8) semesters or until the student receives a baccalaureate degree, whichever comes first. Recipients must maintain a minimum cumulative GPA of 3.6 and complete 24 hours of course work every two semesters of academic year, namely fall and spring. For additional information about scholarships at the University of Utah, please go to www.sa.utah.edu/finance.

Utah State University, Logan – In addition to any other scholarship received from USU, regional category winners will receive a \$2,000 stipend for two years (\$500 per semester for 4 semesters), regional category runners-up will receive a \$1,000 stipend for one year (\$500 per semester for 2 semesters); and Finalists in the Wasatch Front Region receive a \$500 stipend for one year (\$250 per semester for 2 semesters). USU scholarship requirements can be found at www.usu.edu/scholarships. Students must apply for admissions by December 1st to qualify. Winners and runners-up should contact Kate Gildea at kate.gildea@usu.edu and provide a copy of the award.

Weber State University, Ogden – Regional winners will be awarded one year partial tuition \$2,250). Runners-up will receive partial tuition (\$1,350). High School category winners may be eligible for partial tuition scholarships (\$1,350). The Scholarship Office must be notified by July to post the Sterling Scholar Award. Students must be admitted and submit an online scholarship application. To apply: www.weber.edu/GetIntoWeber/undergrads/apply_for_scholarships.html. Recipient must be a Utah resident attending full-time and maintain a 2.5 GPA. Students may start applying for 2013-2014 scholarships by September 1st each year.

Westminster College, Salt Lake City – Renewable \$3,000 scholarship awards to all regional category winners. Renewable \$1,500 scholarship awards to all regional category runners-up. These awards will be granted in addition to any the merit scholarships offered by Westminster (not to exceed full-tuition). Students must maintain good academic standing and satisfactory progress to renew the scholarship for up to eight semesters of study or receipt of bachelor's degree (whichever comes first). Full-time enrollment in the fall semester directly following high school graduation is required.



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