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MEMORANDUM NO. 2009-120

TO: School District Superintendents
School Principals

FROM: Jim McBride, Ed.D. 

DATE: August 21, 2009

SUBJECT: Horatio Alger Scholarship Program

INFORMATION TO SHARE

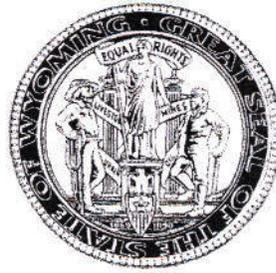
Attached is information that I received from First Lady Nancy Freudenthal regarding the Horatio Alger Scholarship Program.

I support this program and I think it is a great opportunity for our students to obtain financial assistance to continue their education beyond high school. I have included a brief summary of student eligibility that is available on the Horatio Alger website.

Please share this information with your staff and encourage your students to take advantage of this opportunity.

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Attachments



WYOMING GOVERNOR'S RESIDENCE
OFFICE OF THE FIRST LADY

NANCY FREUDENTHAL

August 13, 2009

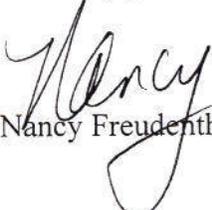
Dear Dr. McBride:

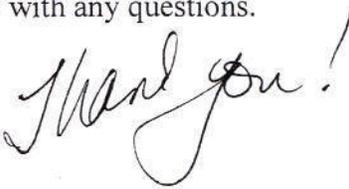
Enclosed please find material regarding the Horatio Alger Scholarship program. In 2007, you distributed a letter from me to Wyoming principals introducing them to this program, and asking them to encourage qualified students to apply – and I appreciate your support in that endeavor. Now, Dave and I are planning to do more to promote this program.

Leslie Blythe from Rocky Mountain Power will be contacting you to discuss your possible interest and involvement in this unique scholarship program. I believe you'll find it a benefit to our Wyoming youth and communities.

Please don't hesitate to contact me with any questions.

Sincerely yours,


Nancy Freudenthal





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Scholarship Recipients

Eligibility for Scholarships

The eligibility criteria to be considered for National Scholarships and Horatio Alger State Scholarship Programs are as follows:

Application Forms

Why

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Frequently Asked Questions

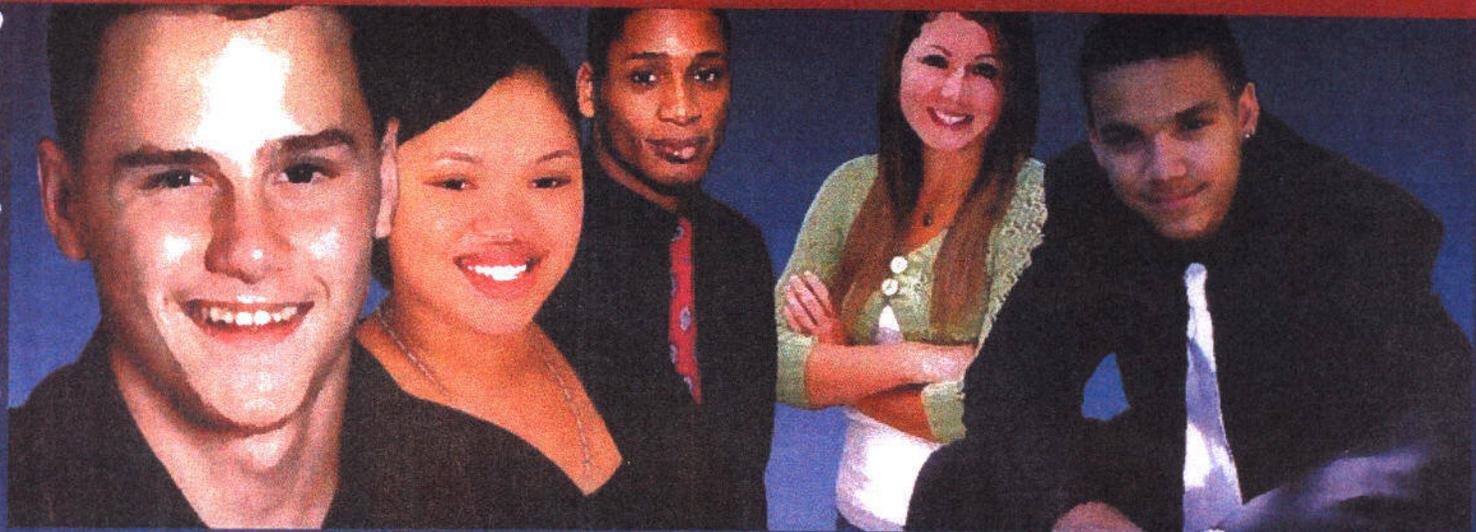
Additional Issues & Questions

Collegiate Information

Scholarship Home

- enrollment full time as a high school senior, progressing normally toward graduation in the Spring/Summer 2010, with plans to enter college no later than the fall following graduation;
- a strong commitment to pursuing and completing a bachelor's degree at an accredited institution located in the United States (students may start their studies at a two-year institution and then transfer to a four-year institution. **Idaho, Louisiana, and Montana state scholarship recipients must pursue and complete a degree at specific colleges and universities. Please see the individual program description for requirements**);
- critical financial need (\$50,000 or less adjusted gross income per family is preferred, if higher expense must be provided);
- involvement in co-curricular and community activities;
- demonstrated integrity and perseverance in overcoming adversity
- a minimum grade point average (GPA) of 2.0; and
- United States Citizenship.

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The Face of the Horatio Alger Scholar

The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans, Inc. will award more than \$7 million in college scholarships in 2008, making it one of the largest non-profit providers of need-based scholarships in the nation. Horatio Alger scholarship recipients demonstrate strength of character in the face of adversity, using their challenges as a motivator for success. Most Horatio Alger Scholars maintain a grade point average above a "B," even though the vast majority hold jobs while in school.

The Association has several scholarship programs to assist young Americans. The Horatio Alger National Scholarship Program, a \$20,000 award given annually to more than 100 students nationwide, includes the National Scholars Conference held in Washington, D.C., where Scholars meet Association members and learn about government and the free enterprise system. The Association also awards over twenty-five state and specialized scholarships. The Association's Collegiate Partners Program seeks to ensure that Scholars receive the maximum non-loan assistance from their colleges through grants and other scholarships, and also provides an Internship and Career Placement Program as well as financial aid advising services.

Horatio Alger Association 2008 Wyoming Scholarship Profile

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| Number of Scholarship Recipients | 25 |
| Number of Scholarship Applicants | 116 |
| Number of Applicant High Schools | 31 |
| Average Household Income | \$22,274 |
| Average Number in Household | 4 |
| Average High School GPA | 3.5 |
| Average SAT Score | 1690 |
| Scholars Working during the School Year | 76% |

Cumulative Total Number of Scholarship Recipients 1984-2009



*2008 & 2009 Estimated Scholarship Awards
2006 - 2008 includes military scholars

2008 Horatio Alger Scholarship Recipients

Wyoming Scholarship Program

Kenneth Allen

Meeteetse School

Meeteetse

Trevin J. Allen

Meeteetse School

Meeteetse

Nicolette D. Brown

Lander Valley High School

Lander

Whitney R. Carrizales

Burlington High School

Burlington

Crystal L. Chavis

Riverside High School

Basin

Micah D. Christensen

Riverton High School

Riverton

Justin-Lee A. Faircloth

Chugwater High School

Chugwater

Alisa A. Frohbieter

Shoshoni High School

Shoshoni

Swade Geiger

Kelly Walsh High School

Casper

Bryce A. Hinsch

Douglas High School

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Dominique D. Jenkins

Niobrara County High School

Lusk

Tyler J. King

Big Horn High School

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Cole E. Lemaster

Burns High School

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New Castle High School

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Hulett High School

Hulett

Wendy Walker

Lovell High School

Lovell

**Twenty-Five Wyoming Students Awarded Prestigious Horatio Alger State Scholarship
Rocky Mountain Power Foundation Provides \$5,000 Scholarships to Teens for Overcoming Adversity**

Washington, D.C. (May 29, 2008) – The Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans is pleased to announce that it has awarded 25 scholarships to deserving high school students in Wyoming. Each scholar will receive \$5,000 to fund their college education. The state honorees were selected for the Horatio Alger State Scholarship Program because they made academics a priority while facing and overcoming great obstacles in their young lives.

Horatio Alger Association Immediate Past Chairman Dennis R. Washington said, “We are proud to present this award to the students of Wyoming who have demonstrated integrity and determination despite significant challenges. We envision great futures for these teens.”

The State Scholarship Programs, ranging from \$2,500 to \$10,500, are sponsored by Horatio Alger members and friends of the Association. In 2008, the program awarded more than 900 scholarships to students throughout the country.

The Wyoming scholarships are made possible by the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation, which has supported the state with scholarships through the Horatio Alger Association since 2007.

“With the help of the Rocky Mountain Power Foundation, more young people will have a real chance at success beginning with a higher education,” Washington added.

Horatio Alger Scholars are provided with numerous resources to help them succeed while they are in college. Each student receives:

- Financial aid guidance to assist in selection of and preparation for college.
- Access to the Association’s Web site where students can create online profiles, search for fellow scholars, update their personal information, submit disbursement requests, and direct questions to the Association.
- Access to a toll-free information line to speak to program coordinators for assistance with questions about their scholarships and other educational programs.

The 2008 Wyoming recipients are:

- Kenneth Allen of Meeteetse, Meeteetse School
- Trevin J. Allen of Meeteetse, Meeteetse School
- Nicolette D. Brown of Lander, Lander Valley High School
- Whitney R. Carrizales of Burlington, Burlington High School
- Crystal L. Chavis of Basin, Riverside High School
- Micah D. Christensen of Riverton, Riverton High School
- Justin-Lee A. Faircloth of Chugwater, Chugwater High School
- Alisa A. Frohbieter of Shoshoni, Shoshoni High School
- Swade Geiger of Casper, Kelly Walsh High School
- Bryce A. Hinsch of Douglas, Douglas High School
- Dominique D. Jenkins of Lusk, Niobrara County High School
- Tyler J. King of Big Horn, Big Horn High School
- Cole E. Lemaster of Burns, Burns High School
- Amanda K. Leu of Gillette, Campbell County High School

- Shaila Z. Limon of Greybull, Greybull High School
- Emily J. Long of Lovell, Lovell High School
- Jena R. Perry of Clearmont, Arvada-Clearmont High School
- Julie A. Peterson of Cody, Cody High School
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- Salina R. Suess-Baker of Newcastle, New Castle High School
- Christine A. Telsrow of Hulett, Hulett High School
- Wendy Walker of Lovell, Lovell High School

Scholars are encouraged to remain connected with the Association throughout their lifetime.

About the Horatio Alger Association:

Founded in 1947, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans continues to fulfill its mission of honoring the achievements of outstanding individuals in our society who have succeeded in spite of adversity and of encouraging young people to pursue their dreams through higher education. The Horatio Alger Association offers three annual scholarship programs: the National Scholarship Program and state scholarship programs available to high school seniors in all 50 states, and the Horatio Alger Military Veterans Scholarship Program for U.S. veterans of the Afghanistan and Iraq conflicts. The Association awards more than \$12 million annually in college scholarships and has given over \$62 million to deserving students since 1984. For more information about the scholarships, please visit www.horatioalger.org.



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