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Dole Scholars 2005



First 40 Robert J. Dole Public Service Scholarship recipients announced

LAWRENCE -- The Robert J. Dole Institute of Politics at the University of Kansas has announced the first 40 recipients of Senator Robert J. Dole Public Service Scholarships. The program recognizes students who have demonstrated involvement in volunteer community and public service.

"This is consistent with the mission Sen. Dole has assigned to this institute: encourage young people to get involved in politics, their government and their community," said Bill Lacy, institute director.

Drawing upon the spirit and experience of Dole's career, the scholarship encourages study and involvement in public service. The goal is to improve the public service capacities of public officials and help students understand the challenges and rewards of public life. The scholarship is funded by a congressional grant.

Eligible recipients had to be a 2005 graduate of an accredited public or private high school in Kansas; have a cumulative grade-point average of 3.0 or higher on a 4.0 scale; demonstrate significant involvement in volunteer community service projects or public service activities; and plan to enroll no later than fall 2005 in a full-time undergraduate course of study at KU, Kansas State University, Pittsburg State University, Fort Hays State University, Wichita State University, Emporia State University or Washburn University.

Recipients receive a \$1,000 annual award. Up to 40 awards will be granted each year and distributed equally among Kansas' four congressional districts, provided there are qualified applicants.

“ Sen. Dole wanted to make sure all Kansas students had these opportunities,” Lacy said. “By distributing the scholarships by congressional district we are making sure this happens.”

Awards may be renewed for up to three additional years or until a bachelor's degree is earned, whichever occurs first. Renewal is contingent on maintaining a 3.0 GPA in a full-time course of study.

This scholarship program is administered by Scholarship Management Services, a department of Scholarship America, a national nonprofit educational support and student aid service organization that seeks to involve and assist the private sector in expanding educational opportunities and encouraging educational achievement. Awards are granted without regard to race, color, creed, religion, gender, disability or national origin.

“ This is one more way to reward and encourage civic engagement,” Lacy said. “We hope the Dole scholars will take an even more active role during their college years.”

The scholars are listed below by name, hometown, congressional district and representative, university to attend and major.

Tamara Andra
Conway Springs
4th Dist. – Tiaht
K-State
Secondary Ed.

Joseph Beck
Shawnee
3rd Dist. – Moore
Pittsburg State
Nursing

Abby Biles
Wellington
4th Dist. – Tiaht
KU
Business

Mark Browne
Kansas City
3rd Dist. – Moore
KU
Business

Dena Bunnel
Welda
2nd Dist. – Ryun
K-State
Political Science

Mica Burtin
Eureka
4th Dist. – Tiaht
Emporia State
Education

Kelsey Carter
Saint Paul
2nd Dist. – Ryun
Pittsburg State
Pre-Pharmacy

Katelyn Conley
Blue Mound
2nd Dist. – Ryun
Pittsburg State
Undecided

Effie Cooper
Cedar Vale
4th Dist. – Tiaht
Washburn U.
Political Science

Elizabeth DeBusk
Hays
1st Dist. – Moran
K-State
Kinesiology

Elizabeth Devlin
Conway Springs
4th Dist. – Tiaht
K-State
Communications

Kaitlyn Dresser
Overland Park
3rd Dist. – Moore
KU
Nursing

Steven Frank
Ness City
1st Dist. – Moran
K-State
Engineering

Lance Freeman
Osawatomie
2nd Dist. – Ryun
KU
Pharmacy

Kerensa Gonzales
Wamego
2nd Dist. – Ryun
Emporia State
Secondary Ed.

Alisha Hall
Overland Park
3rd Dist. – Moore
K-State
Family Studies

Jessica Heuback
Shawnee Mission
3rd Dist. – Moore
K-State
Education

Shelly Hillyard
Gypsum
1st Dist. – Moran
Washburn U.
Radiology

Mallory Howlett
Shawnee
3rd Dist. – Moore
K-State
Business Adm.

Marie Hull
Lawrence
3rd Dist. – Moore
KU
Undecided

Kalem Kopf
Lawrence
3rd Dist. – Moore
KU
Business Adm.

Avery Land
Burlingame
2nd Dist. – Ryun
K-State
Horticulture

Emily Lange
Conway Springs
4th Dist. – Tiaht
K-State
Business Management

Christina Martinez
Wichita
4th Dist. – Tiaht
Wichita State
Communications

Melia Mattke
Ogallah
1st Dist. – Moran
K-State
Animal Sci./Vet Med.

Shelby McDaniel
Dodge City
1st Dist. – Moran
KU
Pre-Pharmacy

Hayley Milch
Rozel
1st Dist. – Moran
Washburn U.
Medical Imaging

Kate Motter
Lenexa
3rd Dist. – Moore
KU
Chemical Engineering

Bradley Papineau
Wichita
4th Dist. – Tiaht
KU
Business/Poli Sci.

Abby Poland
Junction City
1st Dist. – Moran
K-State
Ag. Communications

Alex Rock
Lawrence
2nd Dist. – Ryun
KU
Human Biology

Amber Saueressig
Burlington
2nd Dist. – Ryun
Fort Hays State
School Counseling

Katherine Schreiber
Wichita
4th Dist. – Tiaht
KU
Biology/Journalism

Lee Sewell
Fort Scott
2nd Dist. – Ryun
KU
Interior Design

Adriann Sullivan
Wichita
4th Dist. – Tiaht
K-State
Engineering

Rebecca Thiesen
Beloit
1st Dist. – Moran
K-State
Elementary Ed.

Clarissa Unger
Colby
1st Dist. – Moran
KU
Political Science

Jay Vaglio
Leawood
3rd Dist. – Moore
KU
Computer Science

Douglas Williams
Waverly
2nd Dist. – Ryun
K-State
Physics

Ashley Wollenberg Byron
1st Dist. – Moran
Fort Hays State
Nursing