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### **Eleven Local Students Earn Academic Scholarships**

**Prescott** –Eleven Yavapai County students representing seven different communities will each receive a \$1,900 scholarship from the Education Scholarship Endowment-Yavapai County.

All 11 hope for teaching careers in area schools, said Robert St. Clair, ESEYC president.

Recipients will be honored during an awards luncheon May 6 at the Hassayampa Inn in Prescott.

Recipients are as follows:

From Prescott: Amanda Mikrut, a freshman who will attend Arizona State University; and Emily Thomas, a junior elementary education major at Northern Arizona University.

From Prescott Valley: Nora Graybill, a sophomore elementary education student at Yavapai College.

From Chino Valley: Caleb Boone, a senior elementary education major at Prescott College; Ricky Rodriguez, a sophomore education major at Frank Philips College, Borger, Texas; and Sarah Schuler, a junior education major at Northern Arizona University.

From Cottonwood: Melissa Brooks, junior elementary education major at Northern Arizona University; and Debra Earl, a sophomore elementary education student at Rio Salado College in Phoenix.

From Clarkdale: Angelina Chavez, a junior elementary and special education major at Northern Arizona University.

From Bagdad: Marissa Rottnek, a freshman secondary education and history major at Northern Arizona University.

From Sedona: Haley Halverson, a junior secondary education major at Grand Canyon College.

The cumulative \$20,900 in scholarships is funded through an endowment founded in 2001 by the late Gladys Gardner, a former teacher who became a state legislator and later, a Yavapai County supervisor.

In the 15 years since its founding, the ESEYC has granted more than \$223,000 to 128 qualified applicants, said St. Clair.

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