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Five Maddox scholarship finalists announced

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Don Maddox, president of the J. F. Maddox Foundation, announced the selection of five finalists for the 2012 Jack Maddox Distinguished Scholarship by an independent Selection Committee. All of the finalists bear the distinction of being Maddox Scholars.

The 2012 Maddox Scholars

are Mikaela Hicks of Hobbs, Devin Miles of Jal, Timothy Pearce of Tatum, Danielle Roberts of Lovington, and Jordan Said of Hobbs.

The foundation received 32 applications from throughout Lea County for the scholarship. The selection committee



Hicks



Miles



Pearce



Roberts



Said

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reviewed each application and from these applicants selected 13 semifinalists for personal interviews.

In addition to the five finalists, the semifinalists were Jordan Benge of Hobbs, Nathaniel De La Cruz of Lovington, Johnathan Howell of Hobbs, Valerie Jacquez of Hobbs, Kelly Kingston of Hobbs, Alex Ontiveros of Lovington, Brenda Saldana of Eunice, and Lauren Tinley of Hobbs. Each finalist and semifinalist will receive a notebook computer next spring during the senior award presentations at their respective high schools.

Following final interviews with each of the five finalists, the selection committee will award one of the finalists with the Jack Maddox Distinguished Scholarship.

The scholarship covers the cost of attending four years of college, including tuition, lab and other fees, textbooks, and on-campus room and board.

The other four finalists will receive a \$16,000 scholarship award, \$4,000 per year for four years of undergraduate study, which may also be used for educational expenses. Some regional universities have agreed to match, dollar for dollar, the scholarship.

This is the 17th year of the Jack Maddox Distinguished Scholarship program and, to date more than \$2 million in scholarship funds have been awarded.

Application forms and additional information regarding the Jack Maddox Distinguished Scholarship are available on the Foundation's website at www.jfmaddox.org or can be secured by calling the J. F. Maddox Foundation at (505) 393-6338 or by writing a letter to Post Office Box 2588, Hobbs, New Mexico 88241. All applicants must submit completed applications to the Foundation no later than June 30 immediately following completion of the eleventh grade.

The J. F. Maddox Foundation was established by Jack Maddox and his wife, Mabel, who were long time residents of Hobbs.