



First Wind Awards Scholarships to Utah Students

Beaver and Millard County students receive \$3,000 college scholarships through the First Wind Scholars program

Boston, MA—May 24, 2011—[First Wind](#), an independent U.S.-based wind energy company, today announced that Joshua Lake of Delta High School and Kyle Goodwin of Beaver High School have both been awarded scholarships as part of the 2011 *First Wind Scholars* program. Scholarships are awarded to college-bound students from communities where the company currently has a project in operation or in an advanced stage of development. In its second year, applications to the program nearly doubled. Two of this year's fifteen national recipients are from Utah schools—including the Joshua Lake, who was the recipient of the renewable scholarship of \$5,000 for up to four years.

“In its second full year, we were very pleased to see the significant increase in applications from so many talented and bright high school students in the communities where we develop and operate wind projects,” said Carol Grant, Senior Vice President of External Affairs for First Wind. “As we grow our development of clean, renewable energy projects across the Northeast, the West and Hawaii, we will continue to expand our scholarship program with the hope that students within our host communities take full advantage of it. For our 2011 recipients, we wish them all the best during their college careers and we are excited about their future contributions in the fields of environment, energy and the sciences.”

Launched in October 2009, *First Wind Scholars* offers one-time, \$3,000 scholarships to support local high school students who display strong potential for a successful college experience, as well as interest in the environment, energy or the sciences. In addition, one student nationwide receives the four-year scholarship of \$5,000 annually. Successful applicants were chosen based on a number of factors, including academic performance, standardized test scores, community service activities and a 300-word essay.

This year, Joshua Lake is the winner of the \$5,000 award, which is renewable for up to four years. Joshua will use this scholarship at Utah State University, where he plans to study Electrical Engineering. Kyle Goodwin is the recipient of a one-time, \$3,000 award, and will attend Southern Utah University to study Engineering. Last year there was one recipient from Utah, Dalaki Livingston from Milford High School, who went on to Southern Utah University in Cedar City and is studying Environmental Science and Communications.

First Wind owns and operates the two largest utility-scale operating wind farms in Utah, Milford I and Milford II. These projects, located in Millard and Beaver counties, have the potential to produce up to 306 megawatts, or the capacity to power 64,000 homes.

For more information on *First Wind Scholars*, visit www.firstwind.com/scholarships.

About First Wind

First Wind is an independent wind energy company exclusively focused on the development, financing, construction, ownership and operation of utility-scale wind projects in the United States. Based in Boston, First Wind has wind projects in the Northeast, the West and in Hawaii, with the capacity to generate up to 635 megawatts of power and projects under construction with the capacity to generate up to an additional 121 megawatts. For more information on First Wind, please visit www.firstwind.com or follow us on Twitter [@FirstWind](https://twitter.com/FirstWind).

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