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THIRTEEN STUDENTS RECEIVE \$5,000 AADC SCHOLARSHIPS

Students from around the state will go to UA schools

ANCHORAGE, AK – The Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation recently offered congratulations to thirteen Alaskan students who received scholarship awards of \$5,000 each from the University of Alaska Foundation through the Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation (AADC) Scholarship program.

The students demonstrated outstanding academic achievement and citizenship qualifications to receive scholarships from the AADC program. Ten of the students receiving scholarships will enter the University of Alaska system as freshman. Three of the students are returning sophomores or juniors who have maintained their eligibility and have qualified for scholarship renewals for successive years.

The AADC scholarship program provides \$5,000 awards for up to ten freshman students who are enrolled in a degree program majoring in mathematics, physics, engineering and business or in a technical science field such as computer science at any University of Alaska campus. Previous AADC recipients can apply for a scholarship renewal based upon availability of funds on an annual basis.

Pat Ladner, President and CEO of AADC, recently introduced two of the scholarship winners, Perlita Alcaide and Tija Ozols, both from Kodiak, at a special Kodiak community reception on July 20th and expressed his support of their academic achievements. Both Ms. Alcaide and Ms. Ozols are previous recipients and have qualified for AADC scholarship renewals as they continue their education in the University of Alaska system.

This years recipients include:

Perlita Alcaide	- Kodiak
Benjamin Briceland	- Wasilla
Jesse Crumbley	- Kotzebue
Weston Davey	- Glennallen
Trevor Gillespie	- Anchorage
Daniel Grondahl	- Willow
Jennifer Holland	- Sterling
Ta Tiana Jackson	- Anchorage
Nathanael Mathis	- Wrangell
Austen Mersercav	- Anchorage
Kim Pitney	- Fairbanks
Matthew VanAtta	- Chiniak
Bjorn Wilmoth	- Glennallen

For more information about this scholarship program contact the University of Alaska Foundation in Fairbanks at (907) 450-8030 or visit:

<http://www.alaska.edu/foundation>

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Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation

Created by state statute in 1991, Alaska Aerospace Development Corporation is an agency of the state of Alaska and is funded through launch revenues and federal grants. AADC provides state-of-the-industry commercial rocket launch services through its Kodiak Launch Complex, located at Narrow Cape on Kodiak Island.

The Kodiak Launch Complex is the first FAA-licensed commercial spaceport not collocated with a federal facility. Launch support has included Lockheed Martin, NASA, the Air Force Space and Missile Command, the Army Space and Missile Defense Command, and the Missile Defense Agency.

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