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SHERIFF COOKE PRESENTS SCHOLARSHIP TO GREELEY STUDENT

Greeley, Colo. – Sheriff Cooke presented a \$500.00 scholarship to Mr. Eric Elder on May 15, 2009.

Eric's 500 word essay detailed why proactive community interaction is paramount in today's society. Eric included quotes from Albert Einstein and John F. Kennedy to explain his thoughts on community involvement. His paper was selected by an independent review committee and Eric was awarded the \$500 scholarship. Eric will be attending the Colorado School of Mines or the University of Northern Colorado. While at Greeley West High School he maintained a 4.2 GPA and was active in National Honor Society, Cross Country, Swim Team, Spanish Club, and volunteers for The Bridge Assisted Living and Relay for Life.

The Weld County Sheriff's Office started the scholarship program in 2005 after another program available through a county sheriff's association was temporarily suspended. The independent review committee consists of members of the local community who review the entries and make the final decision on the winning entry. The scholarship is funded by the Weld County Sheriff's Office auxiliary unit.



Eric Elder & Sheriff John Cooke May 15, 2009

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