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WESTERN STUDENTS AWARDED THE GOLDEN GRIFFON SCHOLARSHIP

St. Joseph, Mo. —March 30, 2006—Thirty-two Missouri Western State University incoming freshman were awarded the Golden Griffon Scholarship. This award provides outstanding students with a scholarship valued at up to \$9,500 per year, and pays full tuition and room and board.

Criteria for the scholarship include ranking in the top 10 percent of their high school class or having an overall GPA of 3.5 for all high school coursework; a composite ACT score of 27 or above; and evidence of involvement in extracurricular activities and community service. The recipients must participate in the honors program, live in the residence halls, and maintain a minimum 3.5 cumulative GPA for renewal.

The 2006 recipients are:

Brandon Spencer, Brookfield, Mo.; **Clinton Payne**, Bucklin, Mo.; **John Anderson**, Cameron, Mo.; **Elizabeth Wagoner**, Centerview, Mo.; **Clayton Spears**, Chillicothe, Mo.; **Laura Hurst**, Cosby, Mo.; **Shaina Maag**, Cosby, Mo.; **Michael Hickman**, Des Moines, Iowa; **Jacob Boston**, Edwards, Mo.; **Meredith Meyer**, Florissant, Mo.; **Megan Alquist**, Kansas City, Mo.; **Austin Jacobs**, Kansas City, Mo.;

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Ashley Schnoor, Kansas City, Mo.; **Stacy Saythany**, Liberal, Kan.; **Lacy Preston**, Liberty, Mo.; **Michaela McNair**, Maryville, Mo.; **Monica Schmitz**, Memphis, Mo.; **Michael McVicker**, Mountain View, Mo.; **Jason Wheale**, Peculiar, Mo.; **Elainabeth Russo**, Rea, Mo.; **Rachel Booth**, Ridgeway, Mo.; **Alexander Domingo**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Anthony Lambright**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Joseph Noynaert**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Andrew Payeur**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Mackenzie Spinner**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Kaydee Voltmer**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Jessica Wilkinson**, St. Joseph, Mo.; **Kindra Lowry**, Savannah, Mo.; **Edward Leaverton**, Stewartsville, Mo.; **Heather Eschenbach**, Tina, Mo., and **Tiffanie Gray**, Utica, Mo.

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Missouri Western State University is a four-year public institution providing a blend of traditional liberal arts and professional degree programs. The university offers student-centered, high quality instruction that focuses on experience-based learning, community service, and state-of-the-art technology. Western is located in St. Joseph, Mo. and is committed to the educational, economic, cultural and social development of the region it serves.