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Eight Area High School Seniors Receive GO! St. Louis Scholar Athlete Awards Staenberg Family Foundation, Missouri Lottery and Emerson Fund Scholarships

ST. LOUIS (MO) – May 14, 2015 – GO! St. Louis, a local not-for-profit organization that specializes in providing fitness events and programs for the region on a year-round basis, announced today the 2015 Scholar Athlete award winners as part of the inspiring **Students on the GO!** program.

In a special ceremony on May 11, eight local high school seniors, who participated in the 2015 program were awarded scholar athlete awards and a \$1,000 scholarship to be used in post-graduate studies. These students not only completed the program this year, but they were required to submit an application detailing their educational accomplishments and community service to receive the college scholarships. A special committee selected the winners among numerous student applications.

This year's Scholar Athlete award winners were: **Michelle Cummings** (Pattonville High), **Danielle Hayes** (Pattonville High), **Stephen He** (Parkway Central High), **Cassandra Keller** (Pattonville High), **Minki Kim** (Parkway Central), **Judah Nixon** (McCluer North High), **Adrianna Thomas** (Gateway STEM High) and **Jacob Zak** (Mehlville High).

"I couldn't be more proud of these young students and their achievements. They are true scholar athletes, having excelled at setting and completing a fitness goal, while maintaining a high level of excellence in the classroom," said Nancy Lieberman, GO! St. Louis president. "I'm excited not only for these students, but for the Students on the GO! program as a whole, as we continue to expand the program to more schools and students next year."

The scholarship initiative is a component of Students on the GO!, which is a team-based program to engage high school students to lead an active and healthy lifestyle year-round. Students train to run or walk the GO! St. Louis Half Marathon each April, as well as other events in June and October. Students embark on a personal journey of self-discovery where they explore and experience the lifelong benefits of a comprehensive health and fitness program. More than 300 high school students from 12 schools participated in the 2015.

The GO! St. Louis Scholar Athlete program is supported by the Staenberg Family Foundation, Emerson and Missouri Lottery.

For more information on Students on the GO! visit <http://gostlouis.org/community/students-on-the-go/>