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**CHS FOUNDATION AWARDS \$50,000 IN SCHOLARSHIPS
TO TWO-YEAR COLLEGE STUDENTS**

ST. PAUL, MINN. (May 14, 2009) — The CHS Foundation has awarded 50 \$1,000 in scholarships to two-year college students studying agriculture. The CHS Foundation is the major giving entity of CHS Inc., an energy, grains and foods Fortune 200 company.

“This year’s scholarship recipients include 50 bright, promising agriculture students from some of America’s top two-year schools,” says William J. Nelson, CHS Foundation president. “The CHS Foundation is proud to help educate these next-generation leaders in agribusiness and production agriculture.”

An independent, external committee selected recipients based on essays, transcripts and reference letters. The \$1,000 scholarships were awarded to:

Arizona

Lauren Wilson of Safford, attending Eastern Oklahoma State College, Wilburton, Okla.

Colorado

Ryan Throckmorton of LaSalle, attending Redlands Community College, El Reno, Okla.

Georgia

Deanna Hall of Ocilla, attending Abraham Baldwin Agricultural College, Tifton, Ga.

Illinois

Katie Chaffin of Ipava, attending Black Hawk College, Kewanee, Ill.

Aaron Schaffer of Fairbury, attending Parkland College, Champaign, Ill.

Jonah Cooley of Clinton, attending Parkland College, Champaign, Ill.

Iowa

Brett Westra of Hull, attending Dordt College, Sioux Center, Iowa

Jessica Kuehner of Lawler, attending Hawkeye Community College, Waterloo, Iowa

Preston Nelson of Harlan, attending Iowa Western Community College, Council Bluffs, Iowa

Brittany Weaver of Garner, attending North Iowa Area Community College, Mason City, Iowa

Jeremy Nurre of Delhi, attending Northeast Iowa Community College, Calmar, Iowa

Minnesota

Laura Koenig of Butterfield, attending Minnesota West Community & Technical College, Granite Falls, Minn.

Kristina Gaffaney of Glenwood, attending Ridgewater College, Willmar, Minn.

Karissa Kudrna of Fergus Falls, attending Ridgewater College, Willmar, Minn.

Christopher Schutz of Richmond, attending Ridgewater College, Willmar, Minn.

Jacob Abrahamson of North Mankato, attending South Central College, North Mankato, Minn.

Sandra Christnagel of St. Peter, attending South Central College, North Mankato, Minn.

North Dakota

Shawn Palmer of Sharon, attending Northland Community & Technical College, East Grand Forks, Minn.

Jonathan Trostad of McVile, attending Northland Community & Technical College, East Grand Forks, Minn.

Ohio

(All ten recipients are attending The Ohio State University Agricultural Technical Institute in Wooster, Ohio)

Erin Richardson of Chagrin Falls

Rhiannon Schneider of Grafton

Julie Boies of Bellevue

Megan Fetzner of Perrysville

John Fickel of Oakwood

James Maynard of Carroll

Joseph Payton of Troy

Mitchell Rooks of Perrysville

Rachel Rowe of Brookville

Amy Ryan of Medina

Oregon

Hannah DelCurto of Cove, attending Linn-Benton Community College, Albany, Ore.

South Dakota

Mandi Petersen of White, attending Lake Area Technical Institute, Watertown, S.D.

Courtney Peterson of Erwin, attending Lake Area Technical Institute, Watertown, S.D.

Michael Vander Vorst of Gettysburg, attending Lake Area Technical Institute, Watertown, S.D.

Bryce Eggers of Wagner, attending Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, S.D.

Tyler Focken of Sioux Falls, attending Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, S.D.

Michelle Kats of Hudson, attending Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, S.D.

John Kayser of Alexandria, attending Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, S.D.

Dustin Reinesch of White Lake, attending Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, S.D.

Thomas Smith of Kimball, attending Mitchell Technical Institute, Mitchell, S.D.

Utah

Caitlin Young of Mona, attending Snow College, Ephraim, Utah

Washington

Johnathan Bennett of Reardan, attending North Idaho College, Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

Kimberly Smith of Prescott, attending Walla Walla Community College, Walla Walla, Wash.

West Virginia

Kolby Wyant of Milton, attending Potomac State College of West Virginia University, Keyser, W.Va.

Wisconsin

Bradley Birzer of Ixonia, attending Fox Valley Technical College, Appleton, Wis.

Matthew Yoose of Potosi, attending Southwest Wisconsin Technical College, Fennimore, Wis.

Greg Markley of Prairie du Sac, attending Southwest Wisconsin Technical College, Fennimore, Wis.

Murphy Wellsandt of Platteville, attending Southwest Wisconsin Technical College, Fennimore, Wis.

Kipp Hinz of Osceola, attending UW-Madison, Farm and Industry Short Course, Madison, Wis.

Brenda Maring of Bloomington, attending Southwest Wisconsin Technical College, Fennimore, Wis.

Hans Johnson of Star Prairie, attending UW-Madison, Farm and Industry Short Course, Madison, Wis.

More information on all CHS Foundation scholarships is available at www.chsfoundation.org.

The CHS Foundation (www.chsfoundation.org) is the major giving entity of CHS Inc. (www.chsinc.com), a diversified energy, grains and foods company committed to providing the essential resources that enrich lives around the world. A Fortune 200 company, CHS is owned by farmers, ranchers and cooperatives, along with thousands of preferred stockholders across the United States. CHS supplies energy, crop nutrients, grain, livestock feed, food and food ingredients, along with business solutions including insurance, financial and risk management services. The company operates petroleum refineries/pipelines and manufactures, markets and distributes Cenex® brand refined fuels, lubricants, propane and renewable energy products. CHS is listed on the NASDAQ at CHSCP.

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