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Hazelwood East High student earns KFC Colonel's Scholars award

Ahlam Issa, a senior at Hazelwood East High School, is a recipient of a KFC Colonel's Scholars Scholarship, valued at up to \$20,000. Awards are up to \$5,000 per year.

Issa was presented a ceremonial check by Dr. Mark Martin, principal of Hazelwood East High School. She also received a messenger bag of gifts from KFC that included study aids and supplies.

Issa has a 4.3 grade point average. She will attend Missouri University of Science and Technology to study chemical engineering.

She is humbled by the award. "It's an honor."

To be eligible to compete, applicants must have a minimum cumulative GPA of 2.75, plan to pursue a bachelor's degree at a public, in-state college or university, be a U.S. citizen or permanent resident and demonstrate financial need. The process began in December with an online application; application submissions closed in February; semifinalists were identified and asked to provide additional documents in March; and selected scholars are notified in May.

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Photo Information

HEHS_Issa_KFC.jpg – Dr. Mark Martin, principal of Hazelwood East High School, presented Ahlam Issa, a senior, with a ceremonial check for \$20,000 from the KFC Colonel's Scholars Scholarship program. Issa will attend Missouri University of Science and Technology to study chemical engineering.

The Hazelwood School District serves nearly 19,000 students and is the second largest district in St. Louis County. Communities in the district include Hazelwood, Black Jack, Spanish Lake, a large section of Florissant, portions of Bridgeton, Bellefontaine Neighbors and Ferguson, and several square miles of unincorporated St. Louis County. The mission of the Hazelwood School District is to launch learners on a quest for high standards, fairness and distinguished achievement.