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## **Five Students Receive Horatio Alger Maine Scholarship**

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For the first time, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans has awarded scholarships to five outstanding Maine high school students.

Elyse Bernard of Gould Academy in Bethel, Joshua Burton of Morse High School in Bath, Jennifer Halstead of Sanford High School, Skye Holt of Lincoln Academy in Newcastle and Aubrie Howard of Fryeburg Academy will each receive \$5,000 toward their college education. The students were selected for the Horatio Alger Maine Scholarship because they persevered in overcoming adversity while succeeding academically, contributing to the community and exhibiting exemplary character.

"We are privileged to provide scholarships to the deserving students from Maine to attend college and achieve the American dream," said Tony Novelly, president and chief executive officer of the Horatio Alger Association. "These students have overcome significant challenges in their lives and have become stronger, more determined people because of it."

The Maine scholarships are made possible by the Suzanne and Walter Scott Foundation, the original founders of the state scholarship programs for the association. With their donation, the association is now realizing its goal of providing state scholarships in all 50 states for the first time in the association (TM)s history.

The state scholarships range from \$2,500 to \$20,000 and are sponsored by Horatio Alger members and friends. This year, the programs are awarding more than 850 state scholarships to students throughout the country.

Horatio Alger scholars are provided with numerous resources to ensure a successful college career. Each student receives financial aid guidance to assist in the selection of, and preparation for, college; access to the association (TM)s website where students can create online profiles, search for fellow scholars, update their personal information, submit disbursement requests and direct questions to the association; access to a toll-free information line to speak to program coordinators for assistance with questions about their scholarships and other educational programs.

To view the complete list of Horatio Alger scholars and members, visit [horatioalger.org](http://horatioalger.org).

The 2012 Horatio Alger Scholarship Application will be available Aug. 1–Oct. 30 at

[horatioalger.org/scholarships](http://horatioalger.org/scholarships).

Founded in 1947, the Horatio Alger Association of Distinguished Americans continues to fulfill its mission of honoring the achievements of outstanding individuals who have succeeded in spite of adversity and of encouraging young people to pursue their dreams through higher education. The Horatio Alger Association offers three annual scholarship programs: the National Scholarship Program, state scholarship programs and graduate grants. The association will have awarded more than \$87 million in scholarships through 2012 to deserving young people determined to earn college degrees. The association is a Combined Federal Campaign participant, No. 77062. For information, visit [horatioalger.org](http://horatioalger.org).