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SIAS Wascana recognizes scholarship

Donations push value of awards to new high

March 22, 2006 – Winners of 148 scholarships and awards were recognized at SIAS Wascana Campus today. The total value of the awards represented is more than \$200,000, an increase of 36 percent over last year.

“Education is about the environment that surrounds us and the people who support us as we learn. I acknowledge the families, faculty and staff, and the community partners who have invested in these students and in our province,” says Pat Atkinson, Minister of Advanced Education and Employment, who attended the ceremony.

“Awards winners have worked very hard to earn the recognition they’re receiving today,” says Dr. Bob McCulloch, president and CEO of SIAS. “The awards presented today provide a welcome financial boost, as well as important recognition of outstanding achievement.”

Awards include 28 Centennial Merit Scholarship awards, with a value approximating tuition for one year. Centennial Merit Scholarships are funded through a combination of private donations and matching provincial dollars.

SIAST is Saskatchewan's primary public institution for post-secondary technical education and skills training, recognized nationally and internationally for its expertise and innovation. Almost 12,000 students are registered in SIAST programs, which touch every sector of the economy; additionally, the organization draws more than 27,000 individual course registrations. It operates campuses in Moose Jaw, Prince Albert, Regina and Saskatoon, and provides a number of courses and programs through distance education.

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