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## **Polar Awards Scholarships to Local Youth**

PARK RIVER – May 10, 2011 - Polar Communications is pleased to announce its 2011 scholarship and youth award recipients.

Each year Polar awards five \$500 scholarships in honor of former general manager John G. Walters. The awards are given to outstanding high school seniors whose parents or guardians are current subscribers of Polar Communications or its subsidiaries. Applicants are judged on essay content, grammar, academic achievement and community involvement. This year's winners are Jared Mack, Cavalier; Bryce Karel, Cavalier; Jalen Burchill, Arthur; Brittany Estad, Crystal and Thomas Shephard, Crystal.

The Foundation for Rural Service Washington, DC Youth Tour winner is Brit Brouillard from Park River, ND. The FRS Youth Tour is a four-day, all expense paid trip to Washington, DC June 4-8, 2011. Students have the opportunity to visit famous historical sites and museums. They also learn about the telecommunications industry and the legislative and governmental process. Applicants are required to write an essay on telecommunications.

Congratulations to these outstanding students!