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**Local youths each win \$529 Oregon College Savings Plan
Account from Library's Summer Reading Program!**
Springfield Public Library also receives \$1,500 cash prize

Springfield, Ore. — October 6, 2015 – Alexandria Olsen and Henry Buss of Springfield and Brooke Rush of Harrisburg were randomly selected as winners in this year's superhero-themed Save for College, Save the Day! Summer Reading Campaign, sponsored by the [Oregon College Savings Plan](#) in partnership with the Oregon State Library and Oregon Library Association. The annual campaign is designed to help keep kids' minds engaged over the summer.

Each child will receive a \$529 Oregon College Savings Plan account toward their higher education. The participants signed up for the program this summer at Springfield Public Library; as a result, the library will also receive a \$1,500 cash prize from the Oregon College Savings Plan!

"After years of participating in this wonderful summer reading incentive program without fielding a winner we have finally hit the "trifecta". Congratulations to all three of the selected Springfield summer readers and to the Oregon Collage Savings plan for mounting such a successful program. We are grateful for the opportunity this affords our children and for the additional contribution of funds that we will use to strengthen and improve our summer reading program." – Rob Everett, Springfield Public Library Director

According to the Oregon State Library, 206,425 youth from birth through age 18 signed-up for this year's summer reading program at public libraries throughout Oregon; collectively, they read 144,643 books. At least 68,735 achieved their reading goal and completed the 2015 summer reading program.

The **Save for College, Save the Day!** campaign received 7,339 entries statewide, helping to spread awareness of the importance of both summer reading and saving early for college. A total of eight winners were selected; each received a \$529 Oregon College Savings Plan account. Fifteen participating libraries — three from each Oregon congressional district — each received \$500.

"This is the sixth year that we've partnered with the Oregon College Savings Plan on summer reading," said MaryKay Dahlgreen, Oregon State Librarian. "We appreciate their support of the importance of year round reading."

The summer reading program is offered through Oregon's public libraries each year to encourage children to continue to read through the summer. For more information, visit www.oregoncollegesavings.com.