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## The Nevada State Treasurer's Office is Now Accepting Applications for The 2016 Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship

Carson City, Nev. – The Nevada State Treasurer's Office announced Tuesday that they are now accepting applications for the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship is awarded each year to two Nevada students pursuing a degree in elementary or secondary education, with intentions of teaching in Nevada.

"This scholarship is a tribute to the legacy of the late Governor Kenny Guinn," said Dan Schwartz, Nevada State Treasurer. "The award helps future educators gain the tools they need to succeed, and in turn will continue to build that culture of education we strive for in Nevada."

Applications will be accepted until **midnight April 1** for the Fall 2016 semester. In order to qualify, students must be entering into their last year of college with 90 or more credits completed, pursuing a degree in education and commit to teach in Nevada upon graduation.

There will be two scholarships awarded, one in Northern and Southern Nevada. Each scholarship recipient will receive a \$4,500 award to pay the educational expenses for the next school year.

To apply, students are required to produce a resume, a short essay, a community service statement, and recommendation letters. Those interested in applying can visit <u>http://www.nevadatreasurer.gov/GGMS/GGMS\_Home/</u> to learn more about the scholarship and how to apply.

Senate Bill 220 establishing the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship Award was unanimously passed by both houses of the 2011 Legislature and signed into law by Gov. Brian Sandoval. SB 220 created a scholarship fund for donations received by the Treasurer's office after the tragic death in July 2010 of former Governor Kenny C. Guinn. To date, more than \$211,000 has been received by the fund. People and/or businesses wishing to make a tax-deductible donation to the Kenny C. Guinn Memorial Scholarship Fund may send checks to: State Treasurer's Office, 101 N. Carson Street, Carson City, NV 89701.

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