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## **Treasure Valley teen drivers describe ambitions, win Jiffy Lube scholarships**

(BOISE) – Three Treasure Valley high school students are going into the new year with extra funds for college thanks to the Jiffy Lube Teen Driver Scholarship Program.

Courtney Ritchey of Skyview High School in Nampa won the top prize, a \$4,000 scholarship, for her video and essay answering the question, “What Drives You?”

“I’ve always known that I want to love what I do so fiercely that I never want to quit,” Ritchey wrote. “I’ve always known that I want to radically change the lives of those around me, and eventually, the world. I want to be an elementary school teacher.”

Other Treasure Valley finalists in the contest are Rachel Garman of Fruitland High School and Jaiden Westover of Timberline High School in Boise. Each won a \$1,000 scholarship.

Garman is a drummer, wants to make that her career, and notes in her essay that “drummers have a rare, innate ability to problem-solve and change those around them.” Westover’s essay focuses on her love for the outdoors and for mathematics. She plans to become an aerospace engineer.

Middleton High School won a \$500 award for producing the highest number of student essays.

More than 400 essays were submitted for the contest, which was established by Treasure Valley Jiffy Lube owners in collaboration with the State Department of Education’s Driver Education Program. SDE oversees, approves and reimburses driver education programs in every school district in Idaho, so as the students take driver education they receive the scholarship information.

You can watch the winners’ essays and find out more about the contest at [the Jiffy Lube Teen Driver Scholarship Program website](#).

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**Attached:** Photos of Courtney Ritchey, Rachel Garman and Jaiden Westover