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MEDIA ADVISORY

Olympian Jackie Joyner-Kersey to Present Scholarships at Lindenwood University

Who: Olympian Jackie Joyner-Kersey and the R. Whittington Foundation representatives will present a full scholarship to local high school student Jessica Wright.

What: Lindenwood University has partnered with greatest female athlete of the 20th century and the R. Whittington Foundation to offer two full scholarships to students from the St. Louis Metropolitan area. One scholarship has been awarded to a student who will attend Lindenwood University-Belleville; the other scholarship has been awarded to a student who will attend Lindenwood University in St. Charles, Mo.

The collaboration is part of Lindenwood's ongoing efforts to make a four-year college education accessible and affordable for St. Louis-area students.

When: **3 p.m., Tuesday, April 7**

Where: Lindenwood University
Lindenwood House
209 S. Kingshighway
St. Charles, Mo., 63301

Why: Applications were distributed to all high schools in the Greater St. Louis Metropolitan Area. The opportunity was open to all incoming first-year students who met Lindenwood admission requirements and demonstrated academic success, leadership, and financial need. Each applicant also submitted an essay describing his or her personal goals and aspirations for college and plans for applying his or her education and talents in the future.

Taylor Harris of O'Fallon Township High School in O'Fallon, Ill., was selected as the Lindenwood University-Belleville scholarship recipient and was presented with the award on April 2.

Jessica Wright of Riverview Gardens Senior High School in St. Louis, Mo., was selected as the second scholarship recipient and will receive her award on April 7. She plans to major in business administration at Lindenwood's St. Charles campus.