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**OKLAHOMA YOUTH EXPO SCHOLARSHIPS AWARDED TO REDLANDS STUDENTS**

EL RENO, Okla.—Redlands Community College awards Oklahoma Youth Expo scholarships to incoming freshmen Katie Symes of Carl Albert High School, and Jarrod Halphen of Tuttle High School, to begin the 2016 fall semester.

“Partnering with Oklahoma Youth Expo gives Redlands Community College the opportunity to offer scholarships to outstanding agricultural students,” said Annie Pearson, professor and liaison of agriculture at Redlands.

OYE is a recognized as the largest youth event in Oklahoma. The livestock show attracts over 7,000 people, and has a \$24 million impact on Oklahoma City.

The scholarships are awarded in the amount of \$1,000 per semester for four semesters; a total of \$4,000 per student.

“By receiving this scholarship it will take the burden off my shoulders of having to pay for my first two years of college,” said Ms. Symes.

Symes and Halphen are both active members of the Future Farmers of America organization at their respective high schools, and will be pursuing their associate degrees.

“These students have always proven themselves in the classroom and have gone on to be productive agriculturalist,” said Pearson.

The agricultural program at Redlands provides comprehensive and specialized training to prepare graduates for a wide range of fields in agriculture. The areas of study include general agriculture, agribusiness, agricultural communication, agriculture education and animal science.

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