

# Juniors, Seniors With Rice Promotion Plans Eligible For Scholarship

**ARLINGTON, VA.**

**H**igh school juniors and seniors who include promotions for U.S.-grown rice in their back-to-school plans could earn up to \$3,500 in the USA Rice Federation National Rice Month (NRM) scholarship contest. To qualify, students must run the rice-themed promotions in their local communities during September.

The contest will take place in the six major rice-growing states of Arkansas, California, Louisiana, Mississippi, Missouri and Texas. Nine scholarship prizes totaling \$10,000 are available. In addition to the \$3,500 grand prize, other prizes are second place, \$2,000; third place, \$1,500; fourth place, \$1,000; fifth place,

\$750; and sixth place, \$500. Three honorable mention prizes of \$250 each are also available.

The grand-prize winner and a chaperone will receive an expense-paid trip to the 2008 USA Rice Outlook Conference, December 7-9, in Little Rock, AR, for the scholarship presentation.

Initiated by an act of Congress in 1991, September marks the 18th annual National Rice Month celebration.

For more information and a USA Rice Federation National Rice Month Scholarship Program entry form, see the Industry Affairs page on the USA Rice Web site at [www.usarice.com](http://www.usarice.com), or call Randy Jemison (337) 738-7009 or Chuck Wilson at (870) 673-7541. Δ