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Included below is a press release regarding the awarding of Legacy Scholarships at Ferris State University. Further information is available by contacting Leah Nixon, assistant director of News Services.

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### **Local student receives Legacy Scholarship from Ferris Alumni Association**

BIG RAPIDS – Amanda Alverson of Athens recently received a Ferris State University Legacy Scholarship. A 2005 graduate of Athens High School, Alverson is now a junior at Ferris majoring in English Education in the College of Education and Human Services. She is also active in Phi Sigma Sigma sorority, Student Alumni Gold Club, Ferris' Honors Program and the student homecoming board.

Sponsored by the Ferris State University Alumni Association, the Legacy Scholarship recognizes academic achievements and leadership potential in students whose parent(s), sibling(s) or grandparent(s) is a Ferris alumna(us). The scholarship is a one-time award that can total up to \$2,000 and is presented in two equal increments for two consecutive semesters.

The scholarship was first awarded in 1996 to just three students. Over the past 10 years, the number of recipients has grown annually. Each award helps fund tuition, books, fees and housing expenses incurred by students.

To be eligible for the award, students must not only be the relative of alumna(us), but also have a 2.75 cumulative grade point average and have successfully completed a minimum of two full-time semesters. Students must also submit an essay describing personal career goals and the role a Ferris degree will play in the achievement of these goals. In addition, they must submit a letter from the Ferris alumna(us) describing the effect their educational experiences at Ferris had on their life or professional career. Finally, the student must submit a recommendation by a Ferris faculty or staff member.

For more information about the Ferris Alumni Association or the Legacy Scholarship, visit [www.ferrisalumni.org](http://www.ferrisalumni.org).

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CAPTION – Amanda Alverson of Athens is pictured with Ferris State University President David Eisler.

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