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#### BOARD OF REGENTS RECEIVES GRANT

WASHINGTON, D.C. - U.S. Representative Nick Rahall (D-W.Va.) today announced the awarding of a grant totaling \$82,222 to the West Virginia Board of Regents from the U.S. Department of Education.

The grant was approved for the Congressional Teacheracher Scholarship Program. It is designed to enable and encourage outstanding high school graduates to pursue teaching careers at the preschool, elementary or secondary school level.

"Good teachers are the foundation of a strong education system," Rahall said. "We need to keep a firm cornerstone by encouraging more of our bright students to become teachers."

The scholarships are to be administered by the Board of Regents and will be awarded only to students who rank in the top ten percent of their high school graduating class.

"I hope the program will also enable those who had the desire but lacked the funds to become teachers," Rahall said. "The grant will definitely help West Virginia."