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EDEN AUTISM SERVICES OFFERS \$500 SCHOLARSHIP TO COLLEGE STUDENTS

PRINCETON, NJ (March 28, 2016) – Eden Autism Services is offering the ***Alexis Kate Special Education Teachers Scholarship***, a \$500 Scholarship awarded annually to a worthy college student who has declared a special education major and has also demonstrated an extracurricular commitment to the field.

This award was made possible through the efforts of Steve Nelson whose niece was diagnosed with autism at 17 months of age and subsequently received early intervention services through Eden's infant and toddler program. In 2002, Mr. Nelson embarked on a solo 1,800 mile New Jersey-to-Florida bike ride to raise money to create an endowed scholarship fund for students planning special education careers. He was so grateful to the wonderful teachers that helped Alexis Kate to grow and learn that he created this scholarship to help people like those which helped his niece.

For more information, or to download an application, please visit www.edenautism.org, and search 'scholarship.' Deadline for applications is May 18, 2016.

Eden is nationally recognized leader in improving the lives of individuals with autism spectrum disorder, Eden was among the first providers to address the need for services across the lifespan. 2015 marked our 40th year of excellence in a range of services for individuals, families, educators and other professionals. Eden improves the lives of people with autism - one individual at a time, one family at a time, one community at a time.

Founded in 1975, Eden began as a small, family-oriented school for individuals with autism. Today, Eden offers an extensive range of services to meet the needs of individuals with autism, and its highly regarded programs have been implemented in schools and other settings across the country. Eden is recognized nationally for providing education and training in autism.

Eden's services include early intervention, individualized education, employment training and placement, and group residences, as well as a comprehensive outreach program that offers expertise and assistance to parents and professionals in the greater autism community.

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