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## MEDIA ALERT

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### **In COVID era –Scholarships to be Celebrated and Awarded on “Zoom-cast”: Four CPS Students chosen for essays written during Black History/Hispanic Heritage Month**

- WHAT:** City Treasure Melissa Conyears-Ervin will host a celebration commemorating the presentation of four college scholarship awards to four CPS graduating seniors from Carver Military High School, Spry Community Links High School and Kenwood High School at a Zoom-cast to be held on **Friday, May 8, at 3pm**. The Zoom cast will also share advice and information on financial aid to ensure access to higher education.
- WHY:** The four earned their scholarships by winning an essay contest held during Black History/Hispanic Heritage month. Each student wrote about a leader that had inspired them to become involved in bettering the communities in which they live.
- WHO:** Treasurer Conyears-Ervin, Michele L. Howard Chicago Public Schools Scholarships Manager, and Eric Smith, Vice Chair, BMO Harris Bank, a co-sponsor of the scholarship awards will join: the four students Abel Amanza (South Chicago), Carver Military High School; Yovani Villeda Alvarez (Little Village), Spry Community Links High School; Tyler Smith, (North Lawndale) Kenwood High School and Iyana Gross, (West Chesterfield) Kenwood High School; fellow classmates, family members and teachers; and Daniel Rogers, CEO, A.M. Money to celebrate the winning essays and discuss financial aid.
- NOTE:** During the Zoom-cast each student will speak via Zoom about the community leader or entrepreneur who inspired them as well as share their goals and aspirations looking forward to their freshman year.

***TO REGISTER FOR THE ZOOM CAST: [CLICK HERE](#)***

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