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## **Good Grades Earn Over \$18,000 In Community Bank's Annual Program**

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The ninth year of Community Bank's Earn While You Learn Program saw 769 student-customers in the Eastern Oregon and Southeast Washington area cash in on their good grades, earning a total of \$18,217. This brings the total paid out since the program began in 2011, to \$114,602!

The program is designed to encourage students in their academic success by awarding Community Bank Youth Savings account customers for their good grades. "It gives you a reason to want to get good grades, just knowing you'll get something extra for working harder," says student-customer Dallee Bingham, of North Powder, who has earned \$124 over the past six years she has participated in the program.

During the months of June and July, all Community Bank branches accepted end-of-the-year report cards from students in grades 1<sup>st</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. For every top grade (indicated on the grading system used for each school) in a main school subject that appeared on the report card, Community Bank deposited \$1 into their Community Bank Youth Savings Account.

The Earn While You Learn Program is an annual reward of \$1 per top grade, up to \$50 annually per student, with payments given for the whole school year in June and July.

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