

# **BIG SKY STATE GAMES**

## ***CHARACTER COUNTS! Scholarship***

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***Scholarship DEADLINE Friday May 16, 2012***  
***Applications available to download at***  
***[www.bigskygames.org](http://www.bigskygames.org)***

*The Big Sky State Games has teamed up with the CHARACTER COUNTS! Coalition and Kenco Security and Technology to recognize the importance of sportsmanship and character in Montana student athletes. CHARACTER COUNTS! is a nonprofit organization striving to improve the character of today's youth. It is based on common ethical values that transcend political, religious, socio-economic and cultural differences. Called the "Six Pillars of Character," these values are: trustworthiness, respect, responsibility, fairness, caring and citizenship. Character Counts! Scholarship is sponsored by Kenco Security and Technology.*

*Over the past ten years, the Big Sky State Games has awarded the Character Counts! Scholarship to outstanding Montana female and male student-citizen-athletes involved in the Big Sky State Games. The scholarship can be used for any secondary education after high school. This includes trade schools and community colleges.*

*The 2011 winners of the \$500 Character Counts! Scholarships were Brianna Robinson of Billings, Emily Walker of Huntley, Alain Jacobsen of Baker, and Zach Holmes of Billings.*

*The 2012 scholarship winners will be announced at the 27th Annual Big Sky State Games Opening Ceremonies, Friday, July 20, 2012 at Wendy's Field at Daylis Stadium in Billings*

*Only high school **juniors** during the 2011-2012 school year are eligible for this scholarship. This is to ensure that fellow students can observe the scholarship winners during their senior year and to recognize the traits the students show. The application will be available at all Montana High Schools Guidance Counselor offices and [www.bigskygames.org](http://www.bigskygames.org).*

*By embracing CHARACTER COUNTS! the Big Sky State Games has taken a proactive approach to building character through athletics.*