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RNE senior earns scholarship

Jalissa Fulton of Columbia has earned a 2010 First Choice/First Choice Kids Member Scholarship from Select Health of South Carolina. Jalissa is a senior at Richland Northeast High School in Columbia, and will be attending the University of South Carolina in the fall to study clinical psychology and theatre. The First Choice/First Choice Kids Member Scholarship is part of Select Health's Caring 10 initiative, a ten-year, \$200,000 commitment to provide financial assistance to members of the community in pursuit of higher education.

"We are awarding the First Choice/First Choice Kids Member Scholarship to a young lady who is not only a leader, but committed to her future and her education," said J. Michael Jernigan, president and chief executive officer of Select Health. "This scholarship will help Jalissa pursue her goal of achieving a college education and one day serving her

community."

Jalissa was awarded the scholarship based on the quality of her recommendations, post-high school plans and personal essay. She attributes her interest in clinical psychology to her concern for others combined with her love of Advanced Placement biology. While Jalissa acknowledged that she was going to miss her close friends in high school, she had a great message for other high school students.

"Stay focused, know who you are and know what you're going to do," said Jalissa Fulton, First Choice/First Choice Kids Member Scholarship beneficiary. "Don't get caught up in the drama. It's never that serious. Your academics are serious; that's what matters."

For more information about the Caring 10 First Choice/First Choice Kids Member Scholarship Program, please call 1-866-466-7772.