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Perspective Wealth Partners Grant \$4,000 in Education Scholarships for Treasure Valley

(Boise) — Eight kids who ran in the YMCA's Harrison Classic received an adrenaline boost and a financial boost this past month. Perspective Wealth Partners, a Boise-based Registered Investment Advisor, awarded \$500 scholarships to eight randomly-drawn participants in this annual kids-only race for ages 14 and under. Each winner will receive their \$500 contribution in an IDeal—Idaho College Savings Program account. When the winners are ready to use their savings, they'll be able to withdraw the funds to use for eligible education-related expenses anywhere in the U.S.¹

"We encourage all the families we work with to plan and save ahead for higher education just as they would for any other important investment in their future. It's a smart financial move, and it's a great way to get children dreaming big about their futures," said James Bailey, President of Perspective Wealth Partners.

Due to COVID-19, this year's race looked a little different. Rather than all racers competing together on one day, the event took place October 5-11 and registrants were on the honor system to complete their 1-mile walk or run from wherever they chose on any day within the given timeframe. Knowing that the event would be different this year, there was also a School Prize of \$400 for the school with the most participants. The winner was Calvary Christian School, with over 95 kids signing up—very impressive considering there are only 100 kids in the school. In total, 399 youth completed this year's event.

Among the winners who won a \$500 IDeal scholarship: Zoey Clegg (10 years old)
Jakobe Naito (9 years old)
Sam Wimmer (8 years old)
Sarah Burbank (7 years old)
Blake Felgate (6 years old)
Charlotte Baeyen (3 years old)

"This is a great example of a business in our community stepping up to help support our state's goal of building a college-going culture," said Christine Stoll, IDeal Executive Director. "We're grateful for Perspective Wealth Partners and their commitment to helping more Idahoans take advantage of IDeal—Idaho 529 College Savings Program."

To learn more about IDeal, visit <u>www.idsaves.org</u>.

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