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## **MEDIA ALERT**

### **MURRAY CITY SCHOOL DISTRICT STUDENT TO RECEIVE SURPRISE AWARD *McMillan Elementary 6<sup>th</sup> grader wins statewide energy competition.***

*May 9, 2007, Murray, UT* – McMillan Elementary student Maria Zolotsev has been named Utah's state-level winner in the Igniting Creative Energy Challenge (ICE). ICE is an educational competition that encourages North American students to develop imaginative ways to conserve energy and protect the environment. Maria is a student in Ms. Hahn's 6<sup>th</sup> grade class and also attends the district Perspectives Gifted and Talented Program with Mrs. Saltzman.

To win the competition, Maria created a colorful flap-book educating readers on the benefits of conservation and the environment. She conveys in the book that everyone, young and old, can help the world little by little and make a difference by using some everyday household conservation techniques.

There will be a surprise announcement of this award to Maria at her school on Thursday, May 10, 2007 at 2:30 p.m. Teachers, school Principal David Smith, Murray City Mayor Dan Snarr, Murray Schools Superintendent Richard R. Tranter, Maria's parents, and other Murray City School District and ICE officials will be at this event, during time which Maria will be presented with a \$1,000 check for her school and an MP3 player for herself.

#### **SCHOOL LOCATION:**

McMillan Elementary  
315 East 5900 South, Murray, UT 84107;  
Principal David Smith; secretary Carol Wells  
Phone (801) 264-7430.

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\*Please maintain confidentiality of this event in order to keep it a surprise to the recipient. For more information on the Igniting Creative Energy Challenge visit [www.ignitingcreativeenergy.org](http://www.ignitingcreativeenergy.org), [www.johnsoncontrols.com](http://www.johnsoncontrols.com).

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*Under the direction of Murray School's Board of Education, the mission the Murray School District is to work in partnership with the community in the education of youth in a changing society. Richard R. Tranter is superintendent and chief executive officer of Murray School District; Mitzi Huff is president of the Murray Board of Education. .*