Senior Sarah Lemming Wins Scholarship

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Senior Sarah Lemming recently won the Distinguished Young Woman of Jackson County Scholarship, which is \$5,000. She had to participate in multiple categories of the contests, which were an interview, physical fitness, talent, and self expression. "The winner is determined by a panel of judges who watch each portion of the contest and score it. The participant with the highest overall score is named the Distinguished Young Woman of Jackson County," Senior Sarah Lemming said.

The contest took place at Brownstown Central High School from August 2 to August 8. The contestants spent a week practicing their talents, fitness routines, and self expression questions. Sarah Lemming and three other winners will be attending the state competition in February. Lemming will get to be in parades, and will additionally attend community events.

Senior Sarah Lemming said she participated in the contests because she "wanted to seize the opportunity to learn and practice important life skills such as interviewing and public speaking, and I knew if I won any scholarships I would put it to good use because I greatly value education."

Aside from winning the contest, Lemming had several other positive experiences. "My favorite part about the contest was the time I spent bonding with my fellow Distinguished Young Women Program participants. We grew together and worked hard together and we all gained new friendships," Lemming noted. Overall, it was a great experience for the senior and will be something that positively impacts her education and future for years to come.