Dr Pepper® Introduces the Winners of the 15th Annual Dr Pepper® Tuition Giveaway

Six deserving students were awarded \$100,000 each in tuition money

FRISCO, Texas, Dec. 4, 2023 / PRNewswire/ -- Dr Pepper® has announced the student winners of the 15th annual Dr Pepper® Tuition Giveaway who were awarded money for tuition during the College Football Conference Championship games last weekend. On Friday, December 1st, and Saturday, December 2nd, the student finalists descended onto the field at halftime during the ACC, Big 12, SEC, Big Ten and Pac-12 conference games, competing to see who can throw the most number of footballs into an oversized Dr Pepper® can in 30 seconds. Dr Pepper®, which has awarded over \$17.5 million ato support students' educational goals in the last 15 years, gave \$730,000 in tuition over the course of the weekend including \$100,000 to each of the winners in the five conference championship game tosses.

"The Dr Pepper® Tuition Giveaway program is a beloved tradition within our team and we are excited to be back on the field for another NCAA college football season," said John Alvarado, VP of Dr Pepper® Brand Marketing. "This year's winners are an incredibly driven group of students with a bright future ahead, and it is our honor to support them in their educational aspirations."

Grand prize winners and runners-up include:

ACC

- Winner: Noah C., University of California Los Angeles
- Runner-up: Grace P., New York University

Big 12

• Winners: Gavin W., The Ohio State University and Ryan G., University of Pennsylvania

SEC

- Winner: Andrew J., Sandhills Community College
- Runner-up: Anita W., University of San Francisco

Big Ten

- Winner: Siddharth S., Georgia Institute of Technology
- Runner-up: Darcy W., Temple University

Pac-12

- Winner: Mohamed A., Stony Brook University
- Runner-up: Jeremiah J., University of Florida

"Winning the Dr Pepper Tuition Giveaway is a huge moment for me," said Ryan. G. a Economics major at University of Pennsylvania. "This tuition is going to help me pursue my long term goals of becoming an entrepreneur and to make changes in today's society. I'm so grateful for this opportunity and the amazing experience of being here for the weekend."

In the entry submissions, students were asked to explain why they deserve tuition, how it would impact their lives, and how it would help them achieve their personal and professional goals. In his submission, Big Ten Championship winner Siddharth S., shared how he is studying towards earning his degree in Aerospace Engineering. "Winning \$100,000 from Dr Pepper during this year's Tuition Toss is absolutely huge for me in my pursuit of my goals of creating a more sustainable future for aircrafts. As the first in my family to attend university in the United States, I am super grateful that this tuition will allow me to continue my educational pursuits."

At the Big 12 Conference championship game, Gavin W. and Ryan G. competed in a thrilling double tie breaker. A scoring issue on the field led to an inaccurate reading of the double OT and as a result Dr Pepper awarded both participants \$100,000 in tuition. In the aftermath of the surprise announcement, Gavin W. shared, "They brought us up here to the top deck of the stadium and said they had an announcement to make. They gave us both \$100,000 in scholarships, which was unreal! This completely pays for all of school right here. Thank you, Dr Pepper!"

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