

# 14 Year Old Boise School District Student Awarded Full Scholarship to UCLA

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Stamps Charitable Foundation Announces

**LUKE HARMON-VELLOTTI**

is awarded a full 4-year tuition and fees scholarship to the University of California, Los Angeles



At a time when most eighth-graders are looking forward to the summer, 14-year old Luke Harmon-Vellotti is preparing for his enrollment at UCLA in the fall. This Boise student is the first Idaho resident ever to receive the prestigious merit Stamps Leadership Scholarship with a total value of \$175,000.

This year, over 500,000 applications were received, with a selection rate of less than .035% accepted for the scholarship.



Luke is a FIDE Chess Master and a three-time National chess champion. He is also a member of the United States Math Olympiad and a five-time All American U.S. Chess team member. His academic accomplishments include: AP National Scholar with Distinction, three-time State Champion for both Math and Science Bowl, and a perfect math SAT score. He enjoys competing in piano performances and swimming events.

Luke's future plans include attaining the title of Grandmaster in chess, and training to become a research physician-scientist for his career. The foundation states that Luke was chosen for his "leadership, scholarship, perseverance, service, and innovation." He has kept a journal of his scholastic experience to inspire youth at [www.LukeVellotti.com](http://www.LukeVellotti.com)

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