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## **Senator Delbert Scott Praises Young Constituent for Winning Nationwide Competition**

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JEFFERSON CITY – State Sen. Delbert Scott, R-Lowry City, commends Makenzie Melton, age 9, of El Dorado Springs for winning Google’s 2010 “Doodle 4 Google” competition. More than 33,000 students from all over the country submitted their ideas for this year’s theme: “If I Could Do Anything, I Would...”

The top 40 finalists’ themed drawings ranged from green energy to saving the world’s sea creatures. Melton’s rainforest-themed doodle earned her a \$15,000 college scholarship, a laptop computer, a digital design tablet, a t-shirt printed with her winning design, and a \$25,000 technology grant for a new computer lab at her school. In addition, her drawing (pictured below) was featured on Google’s home page on May 27, 2010. Menton’s drawing was announced along with four national finalists at an awards ceremony in New York.

“I am so proud of Makenzie, not only for her artistic efforts, but for the meaning behind her work,” said Sen. Scott. “A nationwide competition such as this one shows that rural kids have the ability to compete and share their ideas and creativity with individuals from all over our country. Adults might even learn a thing or two from these doodles.”

Menton’s work will be on display for the public at the Smithsonian’s Cooper-Hewitt National Design Museum until July 8, 2010.



*Makenzie Melton, a 3<sup>rd</sup> grader from El Dorado Springs R-2 Schools, is the nationwide winner of the “Doodle 4 Google” competition.*

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*Senator Delbert Scott represent the people of Barton, Benton, Cedar, Dallas, Henry, Hickory, Pettis, Polk and St. Clair counties in the Missouri Senate.*