

## **UTYNA 2019 Laptop Scholarship**

The United Tegaru Youth in North America (UTYNA) takes great pleasure in announcing the recipients of the 2019 UTYNA Laptop Scholarship. In an effort to engage young people first-hand in the educational improvement of the Tigray region, the organization's scholarship aims to encourage student morale by providing action-oriented support of Tigray's secondary school system. It is UTYNA's hope that this scholarship is one step forward in promoting the cognitive learning, affective development, and practical competence of their region's students.

While the organization's fairly new structure inhibits substantial financial investment, the Laptop Scholarship does provide a personal computer for the Tigray-based seniors who scored within the top 10 of the Ethiopian University Entrance Examination, as divided by gender. More specifically, the top five male and female students were presented with the award during a ceremony held by UTYNA on the Kallamino Special Secondary School campus on September 25, 2019.

The laptops are intended to provide the selected high school students with additional access to technology, thereby furthering their post-secondary persistence and success. The scholarship also hopes to increase student drive and illustrate a sense of unity among Tegaru youth in North America, the greater diaspora, and Tigray.

Among the ten awardees, two students were from Edaga Hamus Secondary School, while the remaining eight were from Kallamino Special Secondary School. Please see below for the list of awardees.

No.	Name	Gender	<b>Overall Score/700</b>	School
1.	Dawit Mekonnen Fissha	М	626	Kallamino
2.	Tuemay Sieley Neynu	М	618	Kallamino
3.	Nahom Kidane G/Tsadik	М	612	Edagahamus
4.	Dawit Berhe Hadis	М	608	Kallamino
5.	Eyob Aregay G/Michael	М	602	Kallamino
6.	Meaza G/Medhin Endrias	F	579	Kallamino
7.	Kidan K/Aregawi Gebre	F	574	Kallamino
8.	Hermela Seltanu Gizaw	F	557	Kallamino
9.	Shishay W/Aregay G/Michael	F	556	Kallamino
10	Kisanet G/Michael Lema	F	545	Edagahamus

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