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Bits n Pieces: Students showed more cents than teacher imagined

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Jessup a Finalist

Vancouver's Dallas Jessup was a big winner with online voters who named her one of the finalists for the Volvo Life Awards.

Jessup, 16, will be awarded \$10,000 as a finalist in the exceptional child hero category. She could receive \$25,000 if chosen the overall winner at a ceremony March 19 in New York City.

Jessup, who attends St. Mary's Academy in Portland, wrote, produced and co-starred in "Just Yell Fire," a film that shows women how to protect themselves when attacked. Jessup also was one of 18 national finalists for the CNN Hero award, also for her involvement with the self-help movie.