

Center High School 2015-2016

Academic Excellence Banquet

Awards & Dinner March 8, 2016, 6:00 p.m.



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SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

Principal's Introduction

Mr. Joe Gunderson, Principal

Introduction of Guest Speaker

Mrs. Kathy Chirpich, Teacher

Guest Speaker

Mr. Larry Hall, 2004 Center Graduate

Freshmen Scholars

Mrs. Emily Allsop, Assistant Principal

Sophomore Scholars

Mrs. Krista McGee, Counselor

Junior Scholars

Mr. Joe Gunderson, Principal

Senior Scholars

Ms. Sarah Foster, Teacher

Acknowledgements

Mr. Joe Nastasi, Board of Education President

Dinner catered by Brancato's Catering

Proprietor: Mario Brancato, Center High School Class of 1976

FRESHMAN

Heavin Banks
Bailey Calvin
Jaevyn Carson
Rayanna Dial
Devyn Eason
Gracious Ford Brownlee
Jordan Glover
NaAliah Griffith
Daerese Hafeez
Lashawn Handson
Jillian Kramschuster
Jerome Naraine
Elasah Quinn
Trevor Rey
Christian Ricketts
Ethan Robertson
Savannah Simpson
Elijah Smith
Kathryn Tanner
Audrey Tsafack
Jade Westley
Deontre Winston
Townsend Yu

SOPHOMORES

Shelby Bass
Rose Becker
Cierra Britt
David Ezeugo
Trezmond Jackson
Julian Kiwinda
Duncan MacDonald
Bethany Miller
Ciante Miller
Abbie Nastasi
Sierra Reed
Terrannie Scott
Alexis Simpson
Joelleanne Tejada
Micheal Walburn
Mia Washington

JUNIORS

Josefina Esparza
Jacqueline Goldsmith-Buffington
Elli Jensen
Sydni Lapsley
Angel Mauro
Ashionna Morehead
Jasmine Naraine
Jesse Nastasi

McKinzie Pebley-Amerine
Dakota Chuong Phi
Kenny Pulce
Maria Ramos
Kale' Searcy
Johnny Tancredi
Tytiana Taylor



Caitlin Campbell is deciding between attending the University of Tennessee and Missouri State University. She plans to be a dentist one day. She has been offered the Tennessee State Scholar Tuition Rate, which is worth \$3,355 per year for four years. Missouri State is offering her the Dean's Scholarship for \$1,500 annually.

She was offered the MSSU Excellence Scholarship for \$1,300 per year for four years. From Rockhurst, Caitlin was offered the Knapp Scholarship worth \$17,000 per year for four years. Also she has been offered the KU Midwest Exchange rate worth \$10,089 per year for four years. Avila is offering her the Academic Excellence Scholarship for \$13,000 per year for four years. While at Center High School, she was on the Yearbook Staff her sophomore year. Caitlin was the student assistant to the Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band for two years. Her senior year she wrote for Kansas City Cappies. In addition, she was an A+ Tutor in the English classroom her senior year. For a year and a half, she worked at Papa Murphy's, where she was promoted to being a shift manager on top of taking her rigorous courses. She was awarded academic letters her freshmen and sophomore years. Caitlin is a member of the Health Sciences Accelerated Academy at Center High School. Last summer she earned the Certified Nursing Assistant designation through this program. In the last three years, Caitlin has taken numerous dual credit courses. She earned college credit for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. At Metropolitan Community College, she took American History and Psychology. At the University of Missouri Kansas City, she took Introduction to Health Sciences, Communication, and Composition. She leaves high school with 19 college credits. She plans to take the AP English Literature & Composition, AP United States History, and AP Calculus exams in May. Ms. Campbell has attended the Center School District for thirteen years.

Jacqueline Clemens will attend the University of Missouri- Kansas City next year and plans to study film and media in order to become a music video producer. She has been awarded the UMKC Chancellor's Scholarship which is \$2,500 renewable for four years. While attending Center, Jacqueline played baseball for three years. She has been active in the Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band for four years. She lettered in the Drumline for four years. She was Line Captain her senior year. She was awarded the YellowJacket Way Award her freshmen year. Jackie was an active member in the Center Theater Department for three years and lettered one year. Her senior year she was Secretary for Players 58. She has been crew manager for several shows and held various positions in Players 58. She directed a senior one act this year. She won Excellence in Technical Theatre her junior year. She was awarded Best Costume for sophomore and junior years, and she won Leadership in the Fall Musical Award her junior year. She is a member of National Honor Society and was a member of the Guitar Club for two years. Jacqueline is currently an A+ tutor in English class this semester. She has lettered in academics for four years and received pins for three years. Her junior year she received 5 college credits for Pre-calculus from Rockhurst University. Jacqueline plans to take the AP English Literature & Composition and AP United States Government & Politics exams this year as well. Ms. Clemens attended the Center Early Childhood Center as a child, making this year Jacqueline's fifteenth year of attending the Center School District.



Audrey Colley is attending Colorado State and plans to study environmental sustainability. Colorado State University has awarded her the CSU Academic Recognition Scholarship for \$6,000 annually. She has also been offered these other scholarships: from the Northern Arizona University \$7,000 per year renewable for four years, from the University of Kansas \$4,000 per year renewable for four years, from The University of Oklahoma \$12,000 per year renewable for four years, from the University of Colorado Springs \$5,000 per year renewable for four years, from the Missouri State University \$1,500 per year which is renewable for four years, and from the

University of Oregon \$3,000 per year which is renewable for four years. The total amount of scholarships that Audrey has been offered at this time is \$170,000 over four years. Audrey was a member of the Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band for two years. She was third chair her freshmen and sophomore years. Audrey played for the Center Golf team her freshmen year. Audrey has been active in theater and Players 58 for three years. She was in the one-acts her junior year and Little Shop of Horrors: The Musical. She played a featured role, Orange, in Shout! The Musical. She was awarded the Leadership Award her sophomore year. She is a member of the Center Improv Team. She is co-captain of the Improv Team this year. She has published four of her Cappie reviews. Audrey is the Vice President CHS National Honor Society. She is member of DECA. In addition, Audrey works at Waldo Pizza weekly and she just started a second job. She has volunteered at Folk Alliance. Audrey lettered in academics for four years. Her junior year Audrey received 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. Audrey plans to take the AP English Literature & Composition, AP Biology, AP Calculus, and AP United States History exams in May. Ms. Colley has attended the Center School District thirteen years.

Amaia Cook plans to study Philosophy and English next year. She is hoping to be a lawyer and a judge one day. Under the Early Evaluation process, Amaia is a likely candidate to attend Wellesley University and will know her financial package at the end of March. Amaia is still waiting to hear from the very selective schools which do not release scholarship and financial packages until admissions are sent in April. Amaia has already been offered the Belcher Scholarship for \$300 and the Black Achievers Scholarship for \$1,000. While at Center, Amaia managed wrestling and lettered her freshmen year. Amaia lettered in cross country for four years and was the captain for two. She won thirteen varsity medals throughout her four years of cross country. She won Second Team All-Conference this year. She ran for the Center Track Team for three years and played for the Center Girls' Soccer Team for three years, lettering two years. She won the 100% Award and the Most Improved Award for soccer as well. She has been nominated for the KC Star Scholar Athlete. She is a member of the C-Club. Amaia competed with the Center Academic Team for three



years and is playing for varsity this year. She lettered for the Mathletes in 2014 and 2016. She competed in Math Relays receiving the following awards: first place random science, first place ACT, second place calculus, second place algebra, and third place word problems. Amaia is the Treasurer of the National Honor Society this year. She was a member of DECA for two years. She also was in PoliSci Club for four years. In PoliSci she has held the positions of Secretary and President. Amaia attended Missouri Youth and Government for four years where she was elected Attorney, Judge, and Chief Justice. She also attended Girls State where she was elected the Attorney General. Outside of school, Amaia has been a member of the Kansas City Youth Commission as well as a Judge in the Kansas City Youth Court for two years. She has volunteered through her church and at the Salvation Army. She also has an internship at the Kansas City Land Bank last summer. She has worked part-time as a hostess. Amaia lettered in academics her sophomore year, and she received pins for academics her junior and senior years. Her junior year, Amaia received 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. Amaia plans to take the AP Calculus, AP English Literature & Composition, AP United States History, and AP Biology exams in May. Ms. Cook has attended the Center School District twelve years.



Lucas Daub will attend the University of Missouri in the fall of 2016. He plans to study criminology or political sciences with a minor in business. He wants to attend law school in hopes of being a prosecuting attorney one day. He was on the Center High School Football team for three years lettering each of those years. He played for the Center High School Baseball Team for four years and lettered one year. He has been a member of the C-Club his sophomore, junior, and senior years. Lucas has been active in Center Theater Department for one year and was a member of the Center High School Improv team this year. Lucas is a member of PoliSci Club, Video Game Club, and Card Club, in which he demonstrates special leadership, resourcefulness, and recruitment skills. Lucas is very involved at his church, where he has brought Holy Communion, read passages to his congregation, and performed ceremonial duties--as acolyte and crucifer. He has volunteered at Harvester's Community Food Network.

He was awarded the Principal's Honor Roll for four terms. Lucas lettered in academics his freshmen and sophomore years. Lucas had 99.76 % attendance his freshmen year and had Perfect Attendance his sophomore, junior, and senior years. This year, Lucas will receive 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. He plans to take the AP United States History exam in May. Mr. Daub has attended the Center School District for four years.

Rita Hanch will attend Truman State University in May, where she plans to study Secondary English Education. She has been awarded the TruMerit scholarship for \$2,000 which is renewable for four years. Rita lettered in volleyball for four years. She was a captain her junior and senior years. She won All District for Volleyball in 2015 and 2016. Rita swam for four years and lettered for three years. She lettered in soccer for four years and was a captain her freshmen and junior years. She won All Conference for soccer her freshmen year. Rita is a member of C-Club, and she was nominated for the KC Star Scholar Athlete this year. Rita has been active in theater for four years. She was in Little Shop of Horrors: The Musical her freshmen year. She had leading roles: Gingy in Shrek! The Musical, Ti Moune in Once on This Island, and Naomi in Naomi in the Living Room. Rita has been the captain of the Improv team her junior and senior years. Rita has been active in the 87th Street Singers Choir for four years and with the ensemble went to state her junior year. Rita is a member of National Honor Society. Her sophomore year she was a member of PoliSci Club and attended Missouri Youth and Government. She attended Missouri Fine Arts Academy her junior year for music. She is involved at her church. She volunteered working with children at Missouri Fine Arts Academy and also with elementary students at volleyball camps over the summer. She lettered and received a pin in academics all four years. She was the Center Columbia Book Award recipient her junior year. Rita plans to take the AP United States History and AP English Literature & Composition exams in May. This year, she will receive 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. Ms. Hanch has attended the Center School District for four years.





Mariana Hernandez will attend Rockhurst University to major in Biology. She wants to become a Physical Therapist. She was awarded the Knapp Scholarship for \$17,000 for four years. Mariana is bilingual and was born in Mexico. She played for the Center High School Volleyball Team for four years as libero. She was nominated All-district for volleyball. She played soccer for three years and lettered one year. She was nominated as Courtwarming Princess her junior year. She has been active in Center High School Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band for four years. In band, she lettered for three years and is hoping to letter her senior year again. She played the clarinet all four years. She was the first chair her junior year and Drum Major her senior year. She participated at State in solo and ensemble her junior year and received a 2. She plans on attending State this year. She is a member of National Honor Society at Center High School. She has been a member of the Mathlete club and competed in math relays for two years, lettering in 2015. In addition, Mariana works as a hostess for an average of 30 hours per week. She lettered in academics her sophomore, junior, and senior years. She took Biomedical Interventions at Summit Technology Academy her senior year. Mariana received 5 college credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. She also earned 3 college credits for Composition 110 from the University of Missouri Kansas City and is currently enrolled in 2 college credits for Composition 124. Ms. Hernandez has attended the Center School District for eight years.

Anna Marie Huret will attend the University of Central Missouri in Warrensburg and plans to study Computer Science with an emphasis in software development. She has been accepted to the UCM Honors College. She has been awarded \$2,000 annually for the Black and Red Scholarship. She plans to become a member of the University of Central Missouri Cheerleading team. Annamarie is a very active student athlete. Her freshmen year she played varsity volleyball and ran track. Her freshmen year she lettered in varsity swim and soccer. Her freshmen year she was the assistant captain on the varsity swim team. Her sophomore year, she played tennis, and her junior



year, she lettered for tennis. AnnaMarie lettered in cheer all four years. Her senior year, she was a captain of the football cheer squad. She won the UCA All-American National Award four years. She won the All-American Award for Cheerleading. She won first place seat on the first team for Conference for two years. She has been a member of C-Club for three years and this year she is the C-Club president. AnnaMarie has been active in theater for four years. Her freshmen year, she was in the cast of Little Shop of Horrors: The Musical. Her sophomore year, she was the lead role of Blue girl in Shout! The Musical. Her junior year, she was the lead role, Fiona, in Shrek: The Musical. Her senior year, she was the lead of Asaka in Once on This Island the Musical. Annamarie has been active in 87th Street Singers for two years. She had the honor of going to the Missouri State Choir Competition for Opera Solo her freshmen and sophomore years. She was a member of the Men and Women's All-District Choir her freshmen and sophomore years. AnnaMarie was in the Mathlete Club her freshmen through junior years. She is a member of National Honor Society. AnnaMarie has been a member of Project Lead the Way for four years. She is a member of the Society for Women Engineers and the National Committee for Women in Engineering. She is currently a spokesperson for the Kansas City Girls in Tech Association. She attended Summit Technology Academy to study Software Development and Design. Through this program she has received a myriad of programming certifications including. AnnaMarie is involved and volunteers at her church and was a mission's leader with the Won by One to Jamaica. AnnaMarie has always had a job through high school and sometimes several. Her freshmen year, AnnaMarie worked at Prairie Dental. At Eagles Gymnastics, AnnaMarie works as a head recreational and head competitive gymnastics coach. AnnaMarie has an internship through Missouri Innovations Campus. She worked full time over the summer and still works during the school year. She is working as a Front-End Web Developer at VML and Assistant to the Chief Technology Officer at VML. She recently led and completed the Global Summit for all the heads of technology. She has facilitated the CHS All-District Athletic Summer Sports Camp her freshmen and sophomore years. Junior year, she coached the FCCJC Olathe East Recreational Cheerleading Squad. She was the nominee for the National Society of Scientist and Mathematicians and nominee for high school female student of the year her sophomore year. She lettered in academics for three years. Cur-

rently she is enrolled in 15 college credits, and she plans to take 12 more this summer. After this summer, she will go to college with 62 college credit hours. Ms. Hurst is a second-generation graduate of Center and she has attended the Center School District for ten years.



Kailey Kaeding will attend the University of Wyoming in the fall of 2016 and plans to study Wildlife Biology with a focus in Terrestrial and minor in Forestry Science. She wants to work at a national park one day. She has accepted the Rocky Mountain Wyoming Scholarship, which is \$9,100 per year for four years. Lettering one year, Kailey was a member of the Center High School Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band. As a freshman, she played clarinet. She has been active in the Center High School Theater Department for four years, lettering every year so far. She held several positions in Players 58 including Secretary, Vice President, and President. She has been the lighting designer, electrician, and stage manager for several plays. She was a Cappie her freshman year and has been the Lead Critic her sophomore, junior, and senior years. Her Cappie reviews have been published four times. Kailey received First Place in Algebra and Third Place in Algebra Medley as a Mathlete competing at math relays. She is a member of National Honor Society and is currently the Secretary. She recently began classes and volunteering at Lakeside Nature Center. Kailey works at Waldo Pizza. Kailey is A+ for an English class currently. She lettered in academics for four years and received a pin her freshmen, junior, and senior years. Kailey received 5 college credits her junior year for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. She will be taking the AP Biology, AP English Literature & Composition, and AP Calculus exams in May. Ms. Kaeding has attended the Center School District thirteen years.



Marci Krum will attend the University of Missouri-Kansas City and plans to study Civil Engineering. She was awarded the UMKC Chancellor's Scholarship with is worth \$2,500 per year for four years. She has been active in the Center High School Theater Department for one year. She has been in the crew for senior one acts and the CHS variety show. She has competed in math relays and lettered in Mathletes for two years. In 2014, she received second place in ACT and third place in ACT Relay. In 2015, she won third place geometry medley and second place in number sense. She was inducted as a member of National Honor Society this year. She is co-president of Key Club. She has been a member of Student Government Association for two years. She is currently the Secretary for SGA. She is the Vice President of the senior class. She attended the Missouri Association for Student Council Summer Workshop and Leadership Camp this past summer and also the Winter Energizer for MASC. She has participated two years at the Polar Bear Plunge. She is a member of the Center Robotics Team. Marci attends Summit Technology Academy and is studying Engineering, Design, and Development. Marci has been involved in Project Lead the Way for two years. Marci lettered and received a pin for academics her junior and senior years. She plans to take the AP Physics exam in May. At Drury University, she received 3 college credits for Leadership. Through the University of Central Missouri, she will receive 8 college credits this year for Digital Electronics and DC Circuit Analysis. She will also receive 5 credits from Rockhurst this year for Precalculus. Ms. Krum has attended the Center School District thirteen years.



Rylee Peacher is deciding between Oregon University, Avila University, the University of Missouri-Kansas City, and the University of Missouri-St. Louis. She plans to study criminology. She has been offered the Avila Freshmen Achievement Award for \$13,000 per year for four years. Her freshmen year, she was a member of Student Government Association. She was an A+ Tutor her junior year in English class. Rylee attended Summit Technology Academy for Digital Media her junior year. Rylee is writing for

the Kansas City Cappies Program. Rylee is a member National Honor Society. Rylee is currently involved in Leadership. She is a member of Center High School Book Club. She spent a lot of time babysitting her freshmen year. Rylee has had several part-time jobs since her sophomore year. Rylee has volunteered at City Union Mission and Shawnee Mission Unitarian Universalist Church. As a sophomore, she received the 2014 Personal Finance Departmental Award. She lettered in academics for all four years, and she was awarded an academic pin her junior and senior years. Her junior year she received 5 credits for Pre-Calculus from Rockhurst University. She plans to take the AP English Literature & Composition, AP Biology, and AP United States History exams her senior year. Ms. Peacher has attended the Center School District thirteen years.

Cydney Slade will attend University of Missouri-Kansas City and plans to study pharmaceutical sciences. She wants to become a pharmacist one day. Cydney is an athlete at Center High School. She has lettered in cheerleading four years and she is the head captain of the basketball and football cheerleading squads her senior year. Cydney played soccer for four years and was the captain her junior and senior years. She is the varsity goal keeper for the Center High School Girls Soccer Team. She played tennis three years and was the captain her junior and senior years. She plays third in singles for the Center Tennis Team. She was a member of the Swim and Dive team for three years and a captain her sophomore and junior years. Cydney has been awarded All-Conference in Dive in 2014, First Team All-Conference Award for Dive in 2015, and First Team All-Conference for Cheer in 2016. In 2015 she received Second Team All-Conference for Cheer, Second place for Dive, Second Team Swim 1 Meter Diving, and All Conference Award Honorable Mention for Soccer. She has been nominated for the KC Star Scholar Athlete award. She has been a member of C-Club her sophomore, junior, and senior years. She has been active in Center High School Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band for two years. She lettered in band her freshmen and sophomore years. She was the Spirit Leader in 2013-2014. This year she was nominated for Homecoming Queen. Cydney lettered in academics her freshman and senior years. Cydney received 5 college credits for Precalculus from



Rockhurst University and is currently enrolled to earn 3 college credits for Composition 124 from the University of Missouri Kansas City. Ms. Slade has attended the Center School District thirteen years.



Tara Smith is attending Buena Vista University on a full tuition with the Buena Vista Multicultural Scholarship. Tara has been offered \$426,872 total in scholarships. She plans to study Musical Theatre and Business Entrepreneurship. Tara was a member of the Center Sapphire Dance line for four years and is captain her senior year. This year the dance line received Third Place in prop and Fourth Place in kick at State. She has lettered four years as a member of the Center High School Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band. Tara has been active and lettered in the Center Theater Department for four years. She was a member of the Improv team her junior year. She was the Vice President of Players 58 her junior year and the Historian her senior year. Tara played Marie Louise in *My Three Angles*, Vera in *The Odd Couple*, Mama Bear, Blind Mouse, Pied Piper, and a featured dancer in *Shrek: The Musical*, and was a featured dancer in *Once on This Island*. She was nominated by Cappies for Ensemble in *The Odd Couple*, Choreography in *Shrek: The Musical*, and Female Dancer in *Shrek: The Musical*. Tara was awarded Thespian of the Year in Players 58 last year. Tara has been a Cappies critic for three years and she was published four times. She is the President of Center's National Honor Society. Tara is Book Club co-president this year. She has been a member of Student Government Association for four years. She lettered in SGA for three years. Last year she was the Junior Class President, and this year she is the Senior Class President. She has been a member of the Center PoliSci Club for two years. Tara Smith was awarded the National Merit Commendation for her PSAT scores her junior year. She lettered in academics for four years received an academic pin her freshmen year. Her junior year, Tara received 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. Last year she received a Qualified score on the AP United States Government & Politics exam. In May, she plans to take the AP English Literature & Composition and AP Chemistry exams. Ms. Smith has attended the Center School District thirteen years.

Ebony Taylor is deciding between Spelman College and the University of Missouri. She wants to study pediatrics. She has been offered the MU Diversity scholarship worth \$2,500 per year for four years. She has been offered the Southern Christian Leadership Conference Scholarship which is \$1,000 per year for four years as well as the TSU Freshman Achievement- Based Scholarship worth \$20,000. She has also been offered the Knapp Scholarship from Rockhurst University for \$17,000 per year, renewable for four years. In high school, Ebony played for the Center Volleyball Team her freshman year. She has been active in The Center Theater Department for two years. She played Mary Poppins and Captain of the Guards in Shrek: The Musical. In the senior one acts, she played a lead role in True Love's Curse. Ebony is Book Club co-president this year. She has been a college ambassador for two years. Her junior year she was in the Center High School Poetry Club. She is a student attending Summit Technology Academy studying Medical Interventions and Biomed Innovations, for which she has received college credit. She has volunteered at Choose Wisely, a group of pre-teen and teen adults that serve as mentors to younger children in United Believers Church and in Kansas City, Missouri community. Ebony also works outside of school part time. She volunteers at Harvester's, Ronald McDonald House, and Hope Faith Ministries for fifteen hours weekly. She is a Library Aide at Center. She is a member of the Project Lead the Way Alumni Association. Ebony lettered in academics for three years. Her junior year, she received 5 credits for Precalculus at Rockhurst University. She plans to take the AP Calculus and AP English Literature & Composition exams in May. Ms. Taylor has attended the Center School District four years.



Jackson Taylor will attend the University of Central Missouri in the fall. He is finishing his Associate's Degree in Computer Science with an emphasis in Software Development now through Metropolitan Community College. He plans to continue studying Computer Science to be a software developer. While at Center, Jackson competed in Math Relays for three years. He received a letter for Mathletes in 2014 and 2016. He received the Highest Scoring Junior at Tolton High School Competition and has been

awarded several first places awards every year. Jackson competed in SkillsUSA through Summit Technology Academy winning first place in Districts and then second at State in 2015. This year he won second at Districts and will go to State this month. For his work at the SkillsUSA Competition, he was offered a \$1,000 award for Missouri State Technical College. Jackson is a member of Center's National Honor Society. His sophomore year, he was a member of the PoliSci Club, and he was a member of the Gaming Club his junior year. He was involved in Boys Scouts since sixth grade. His junior year, Jackson played with the Center Golf Team. Jackson started in Project Lead the Way his sophomore year at Center. He has been a member of the Center Robotics team for three years and a member of robotics for all four years of his high school experience. Through attending the Summit Technology Academy program, he has received a myriad of experience with the C++ and Java programming languages, Object-Oriented Programming, and SQL. Through the Missouri Innovation Campus program, Jackson has worked at a paid internship since the summer of 2015. He is an intern in the Information Technology Department at Commerce Bank. The intent is for him to work full time this coming summer, and he will continue to work there through his bachelor's degree and potentially after college. Currently he is working on an internal reporting web app, which takes metrics on how development teams have accomplished work previously and then predicts what they will accomplish in the future. Jackson lettered in academics his sophomore and junior years at Center High School. Jackson took the AP Calculus, AP English Literature & Composition, and AP US Government & Politics exams his junior year, receiving a score of Qualified on each, which earned him the designation of AP Scholar from the College Board. His junior year, he received 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. He has since received 22 college credits from Metropolitan Community College and is currently enrolled to earn 3 more. He leaves high school with at least 30 college credits. Mr. Taylor has attended the Center School District for three years.

Kyra Woods is deciding between attending Wichita State University and Baylor University next fall. She plans to study Kinesiology and minor in African American studies. She hopes to be a physical therapist. Baylor has offered her \$28,000 annually in scholarships. Wichita State is offering her \$8,324 annually for the Midwest Exchange program and also \$5,000 a year for an Academic Scholarship. The Southern Christian Leadership is offering her \$4,000. Rockhurst University also has offered her the McCabe Scholarship worth \$80,000. Kyra lettered for the Center High School Tennis Team three years. Kyra also played for the Center Golf team her freshmen year. She swam her freshmen and sophomore years. Kyra has been student assistant of the Mighty Marching YellowJacket Band for three years and lettered for three years. Ms. Woods is a Key Club member and a part of Leadership at Center. Kyra is a member of National Honor Society. She is a member of Student Government Association and has been a member of DECA for three years. Daily she co-manages the DECA store. She was awarded Fourth place at Conference recently and is the only State-qualifier from Center to compete in Business Service Marketing. Kyra has been on the Yearbook Staff for three years. Kyra is a member of Health Sciences Accelerated Academy at Center. Through this program she has become a Certified Nursing Assistant. She also ran the CHS Health Fair last year. Kyra has worked outside of school for two years. She has volunteered at Ronald McDonald House and at Harvesters. She participated in the Center Marlborough Community Pick Up for two years. She was an A + Tutor for English her senior year. She was crowned Courtwarming Queen her senior year. She lettered in academics for four years. Her junior year, Kyra received 5 credits for Precalculus from Rockhurst University. At Metropolitan Community College, she took American History. At the University of Missouri Kansas City, she took Introduction to Health Sciences, Communication, and Composition. This semester, Kyra will receive 3 credits for sociology from UMKC. She leaves high school with 19 credits for college. Kyra plans to take the AP United States Government & Politics and AP English Literature & Composition Exams in May. Ms. Woods has attended the Center School District for seven years.



