

Welcome to the  
**ROCKWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS CEREMONY**  
December 5, 2024



### ABOVE AND BEYOND AWARD

The Above and Beyond Award recognizes people or organizations that have developed an initiative to its fullest potential. Recipients have shown outstanding contribution through non-required service or volunteerism by supporting projects or programs that impact the Rockwood School District or its communities. Recipients are formally recognized at a Board of Education Awards Ceremony.



### BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARD

The Board of Education Award is one of Rockwood's most prestigious awards. A Board of Education Award recognizes people or organizations that have achieved the highest standards of excellence that embody the Rockwood spirit. Recipients are formally recognized at a Board of Education Awards Ceremony.



### SUPERINTENDENT'S CERTIFICATE

The Superintendent's Certificate recognizes people or organizations that have contributed to the success of education in the Rockwood School District. The Superintendent's Certificate is individually prepared and affixed with a gold seal. Certificates are presented to recipients at their Rockwood school.



### COMMUNITY SERVICE CERTIFICATE

The Community Service Certificate recognizes people or organizations that support the Rockwood School District and its communities through service projects intended to benefit a worthy cause. Certificates are presented to recipients at their Rockwood school.



Learn more about our Rockwood Board of Education on the Board of Education page on our district website at [rsdmo.org/boe](https://rsdmo.org/boe).

*The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by Eureka Girls Cross Country Team.*

A video replay of this evening's awards will be available on the Board Awards page of our district website at [rsdmo.org/boardawards](https://rsdmo.org/boardawards).

### BOARD OF EDUCATION

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We do whatever it takes to ensure all students realize their potential.

# MISSION

We do whatever it takes to ensure all students realize their potential.



# VISION

Every student loves life and finds success.



# CORE VALUES

Every Student • Caring Schools • Collective Responsibility • Optimize Resources

## WELCOME AND OPENING REMARKS

Mrs. Lynne Midyett, President, Rockwood Board of Education

## INTRODUCTION OF THE ROCKWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION

Dr. Curtis Cain, Superintendent of Schools

## PRESENTATION OF BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS

(STUDENTS AND STAFF LISTED IN ORDER OF PRESENTATIONS)

### BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS

#### **FAIRWAY ELEMENTARY**

##### **MMEA Children's Choir - All-State**

Hudson Evans  
Sophia Smith

#### **GEGGIE ELEMENTARY**

##### **MMEA Children's Choir - All-State**

Lucy Correnti  
Ava Giles  
Sloane Uthoff

#### **EUREKA HIGH SCHOOL**

##### **Perfect ACT**

Nolan Wilson

##### **MSLA Girls Lacrosse - 1st Team All-State & USA Lacrosse All-American**

Kylee Pickens

##### **MSLA Girls Lacrosse - 1st Team All-State**

Ruby Copeland  
Mia Fernandez

##### **MSLA Girls Lacrosse - State Champion**

Eureka Girls Lacrosse Team

##### **MSHSSCA Girls Soccer - All-State & United Soccer Coaches - All-American**

Blaine Schutte

##### **MSHSSCA Girls Soccer - 1st Team All-State**

Callaway Combs

##### **MSHSAA Girls Soccer - 2nd Place**

Eureka Girls Soccer Team

##### **MSHSAA Boys Track & Field 400m & 200m - 3rd Place**

Aidan Crews

##### **MSHSAA Boys Track & Field Pole Vault - 4th Place**

William Geiler

##### **MHSVCA Boys Volleyball -All-State**

Nate Sowder

##### **MLS & Special Olympics Unified Soccer All-Star**

Isaac Mollish

##### **MCCA - All-State**

Therese Di Valerio  
Addison Hays  
Lucy Manche

##### **MHSVCA Girls Volleyball - All-State & AVCA All-Region**

Jenna Cabbage  
Harper Highfill

##### **MSHSAA Girls Cross Country - 7th Place**

Daphne Bishop

##### **MSHSAA Girls Cross Country - State Champion**

Eureka Girls Cross Country Team

#### **LAFAYETTE HIGH SCHOOL**

##### **HOSA International Leadership Conference**

##### **1st Place - Health Care Issues Exam**

Lydia Lehmann

##### **3rd Place - Family Medicine Physician**

Aditi Roy

##### **National Merit Semifinalists**

Clara Bass  
Jessica Guan  
Mary Hails  
Charles Heppe  
Gauri Kathula  
Audrey Keller  
Simone Marta  
Sophia Wood

##### **MHSVCA Boys Volleyball - All-State**

Alexander Griffon  
Evan Halter  
Kyle Kubasta  
Ethan Tran  
Lucas Tran

##### **MSHSAA Boys Volleyball - State Champion**

Boys Volleyball Team

##### **MHSVCA Girls Volleyball -All-State AVCA All-Region & AVCA All-American**

Maya Witherspoon  
Shaye Witherspoon

##### **MHSVCA Girls Volleyball - All-State & AVCA All-Region**

Addy Wiese

##### **MSHSAA Girls Volleyball - State Champion**

Lafayette Girls Volleyball Team

##### **MSHSAA Baseball - 2nd Place**

Lafayette Baseball Team

##### **MSHSAA Girls Track & Field 1600m & 3200m - 1st Place**

Natalie Barnard

##### **MSHSAA Girls Track & Field 4x800 Relay - 2nd Place**

Natalie Barnard  
Avery Brown  
Lauren Pauls  
Alexis Sandberg

##### **MSHSAA Boys Track & Field Javelin - 4th Place**

Robby Preckel

##### **MSHSSCA Girls Soccer - All-State & United Soccer Coaches - All-Midwest**

Addison Keen

##### **MSHSSCA Girls Soccer - All-State**

Emily Derucki

##### **MSHSAA Girls Tennis Singles - 3rd Place**

Mia Yin

##### **MSHSAA Girls Tennis - 2nd Place**

Girls Tennis Team

##### **MHSFCA Softball - All-State**

Abby Carr

##### **MSHSAA Softball - State Champion**

Lafayette Girls Softball Team

##### **MSHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving 1- Meter Diving - 2nd Place**

Jackson Tenny

##### **MSHSAA Football - 3rd Place**

Lafayette Football Team

##### **Mosaics Fine Arts Festival - 2nd Place**

Michelle Chen

## **MARQUETTE HIGH SCHOOL**

**InvestWrite Essay Competition -  
1st Place State of Missouri  
8th Place Nationally**  
Alexa Kerber

**HOSA International  
Leadership Conference -  
3rd Place Allied Health Statistics**  
Daksha Daggumati

**Perfect ACT**  
Eric Chen  
Kayla Kozielek  
Aryan Valsa Pradeep

**National Merit Semifinalists**  
Joslyn Bogner  
Shreya Das  
Maleah Eggers  
Luecken Graves  
Dennison Harris  
Sri Vaishnavi Krishnan  
Emaline Little  
Caleb Mitchell  
Atharva Shinde  
Hridhay Suswaram  
James Tse  
Aryan Valsa Pradeep  
Lucas Zhang  
Nolan Zink

**National Scholastic Press Association-  
All-American**  
Marquette Messenger

**Quill & Scroll Honor Society -  
The George H. Gallup Award**  
Marquette Messenger

**National Scholastic Press Association-  
Pacemaker Award**  
Marquette Messenger

**National Speech & Debate Association-  
2023-2024 Leading Chapter Award**  
Marquette Speech & Debate Team

**MHSVCA Boys Volleyball - All-State**  
Alex Danyluck

**MCCA - All-State**  
Trista Morgan

**MSHSAA Girls Cross Country - 9th Place**  
Maleah Eggers

**MSHSAA Girls Track & Field  
3200m - 4th Place**  
Maleah Eggers

**MHSVCA Girls Volleyball -  
All-State & AVCA - All-Region**  
Teagan Pocius  
Mallory Sell

**MSLA Girls Lacrosse -  
1st Team All-State & USA Lacrosse  
All-American**  
Marin Lally

**MMEA - All-State Choir**  
Alexandra Lappin

## **ROCKWOOD SUMMIT HIGH SCHOOL**

**National Conservation Foundation  
Envirothon Competition**  
Shekinah Annin  
Kari Koerner  
Rylee Kyle  
Allison Moonier  
Sophia Pezzani

**MMEA - All-State Choir**  
Shekinah Annin

**MSHSSCA Girls Soccer - All-State**  
Katie Jundt  
Sienna Nicholson

**MSHSAA Girls Soccer - 2nd Place**  
Rockwood Summit Girls Soccer Team

**MHSFCA Softball - All-State**  
Leila Miller  
Emily Perone

**MSHSAA Girls Cross Country -  
5th Place**  
Cate Rossomanno

**MSHSAA Girls Track & Field -  
4x800m Relay- 3rd Place**  
Mia Brown  
Reese Martin  
Chloe Perstroppe  
Cate Rossomanno

**MSHSAA Girls Track & Field -  
Triple Jump- 2nd Place  
Long Jump - 4th Place**  
Christelle Barafundi

**MSLA Girls Lacrosse -  
1st Team All-State &  
USA Lacrosse All-American**  
Madeline Gregston

**MSLA Girls Lacrosse -  
1st Team All-State**  
Margaret Schnieders

## **SCHOOL & STAFF AWARDS**

**BLEVINS ELEMENTARY**  
National School of Character  
Missouri School of Character

## **ROCKWOOD SOUTH MIDDLE**

**Nationally School Nurse Board  
Certification**  
Michelle Boyher

**Association for Middle Level Education -  
Educator of the Year**  
Kristen Engle

## **EUREKA HIGH**

**MSHSSCA Girls Soccer -  
Public School Coach of the Year**  
Michael Hanna

**MSHSSCA Girls Soccer-  
Assistant Coach of the Year**  
Anna Voigt

## **LAFAYETTE HIGH**

**MHSVCA Boys Volleyball-  
Coach of the Year**  
Whitney Ralph

## **MARQUETTE HIGH**

**Special Olympics National Unified  
Champion Banner School 2024**  
Marquette High

## **ROCKWOOD SUMMIT HIGH**

**MSHSSCA Girls Soccer -  
Coach of the Year for Public Schools**  
Eric Hill

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