

Welcome to the
ROCKWOOD BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS CEREMONY
December 4, 2025



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.

The Pledge of Allegiance will be led by Rockwood Summit student Emily Perone.

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

BOARD OF EDUCATION

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

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)

ABOVE AND BEYOND AWARD

Lifesaving Actions

Tim Bowdern

BOARD OF EDUCATION AWARDS

BLEVINS ELEMENTARY

MMEA All-State Children's Choir - Higher Part

Lyla Dixon

GEGGIE ELEMENTARY

MMEA All-State Children's Choir - Lower Part

Deborah Longe

CRESTVIEW MIDDLE

Glory of Missouri

Nicholas Speziali - Charity
Charlie Murphy - Education
Brynn Michel - Enterprise
Sophia Carrillo - Equality
Mia Michel - Fraternity
Charlie Spitzenberg - Justice
Josh Starenchak - Knowledge
Alex Kotis - Law
Ja'Colbi McKay - Liberty
Grace Hemminghaus - Progress
Hendrix Holman - Temperance
Riley Karr - Truth
Claire Ellington - Virtue

LASALLE SPRINGS MIDDLE

Glory of Missouri

Harper Lowery - Charity
Macie Pickert - Education
Evelyn Buehner - Enterprise
Lilly Schormann - Equality
Silas Craft - Fraternity
Sam D'Aquila - Honor
Alina Logush - Justice
Timothy Wu - Knowledge
Tyler Heisel - Law
Gabby Ely - Liberty
Jude McCart - Progress
Selah Southards - Truth
Olivia Monahan - Virtue

ROCKWOOD SOUTH MIDDLE

Glory of Missouri

Margaret Mueller - Charity
Brennen Underhill - Education
Amane Fingerhut - Enterprise
Natalie Liberto - Equality
Gunner Adams - Fraternity
Carter Phipps - Honor
Nathan Houston - Justice
Isabel Burlbaw - Knowledge
Nolan Wade - Law
Raaga Tota - Liberty
Gabrielle Hayibor - Progress
Aksenia Ushanly - Temperance
Josephine Schaaf - Truth
Manvitha Gutta - Virtue

ROCKWOOD VALLEY MIDDLE

Glory of Missouri

Adela Crocker - Charity
Bhavani Mulkanoor - Education
Abrie Jennings - Enterprise
Aryan Sharma - Equality
Erin Southwick - Fraternity
Summer Brown - Honor
Graham Byrge - Justice
Ryan Augustine - Knowledge
Caitlyn Hoppa - Law
Daniella Rizzuto - Liberty
Sophia Starck - Progress
Samantha Starck - Temperance
Will Kraemer - Truth
Evan Hogg - Virtue

SELVIDGE MIDDLE

Glory of Missouri

Anna Martin - Charity
Naisha Salaria - Education
Morgan Bader - Enterprise
William Santel - Equality
Caleb Deschamp - Fraternity
Brady Maschmann - Honor
Nickolas Forsythe - Justice
Grace Hagar - Knowledge
Dean Bruder - Law
Mariah Carter - Liberty
Aanya Kaushik - Progress
Sophia Soetaert - Temperance
Siri Akinapally - Truth
Louis Brueckmann - Virtue

WILDWOOD MIDDLE

Glory of Missouri

Srijani Samala - Charity
Hailey Jackson - Education
Victor Pinkston - Enterprise
Snigdha Phanidapu - Equality
Abigail Woodruff - Fraternity
Mariella Gau - Honor
Nicole Bush - Justice
Alexa Hastings - Knowledge
Paige Cloutman - Law
Mia Yanez-Tucker - Liberty
Jackson Brooks - Progress
Amelia Meyer - Temperance
Shruthi Jayaprakash - Truth
Kamilla Bagautdinova - Virtue

LAFAYETTE HIGH

HOSA International Leadership Conference

Epidemiology - 3rd Place

Jessica Guan

Medical Spelling - 2nd Place

Oluwatose Toriola

Missouri Scholastic Writing Awards - Silver Key

Riley Kummer

Missouri Scholars Academy

Noah Bairu
Emma Hagen
Max Ottinger
Abhinav Rao

National Merit Scholarship Semifinalists

Oliver Arett
Shreya Basappa
Abhi Boga
Michelle Chen
Vedanth Chimakurthy
Madhav Devapal
Mark Domsalla
Giancarlo Fernandez
Alastair Hanna
Hannah Holder
Anna Talari

Perfect ACT

Michelle Chen

Institute for Drug and Biotherapeutic Innovation Research Symposium - 1st Place

Suchir Ryali

MOSEF State Competition - 1st Place

Valorant Esports Team

Best of School Newspapers Online

Theo Koury

Mosaics Fine Arts Festival - Founders Scholarship Award

Luke Hinton

MMEA All-State Choir - Alto

Ritika Pratihar

MSHSAA Boys Golf - 4th Place

Lafayette Boys Golf Team

MSHSAA Boys Track & Field

Discus - 4th Place

Baron James

Javelin - 4th Place

Robby Preckel

MHSVCA Boys Volleyball -

1st Team All-State

Alex Griffon

Ethan Tran

Boys Water Polo

1st Team All-State

Nolan Budnick

1st Team All-State &

Offensive Player of the Year

Owen Waeckerle

MHSSCA Girls Soccer

1st Team All-State, All Midwest Team & All Region Defensive Player of the Year

Addison Keen

MSHSAA Girls Tennis Singles -

2nd Place

Mia Yin

MHSFCA Girls Softball -

1st Team All-State

Sydney Berger

MSHSAA Girls Track & Field

Javelin - 4th Place

Sydney Berger

4x800m Relay - 2nd Place

Lafayette Girls 4x800 Relay Team

MHSVCA Girls Volleyball

All-State

Claire Ulrich

All-State & All-Region

Addy Wiese

All-State, All-Region &

1st Team All-American

Shaye Witherspoon

State Champions

Lafayette Girls Volleyball Team

Girls Water Polo - 1st Team All-State & Offensive Player of the Year

Talia Ramsey

Missouri Softball Gatorade

Player of the Year

Abby Carr

USA Lacrosse All-Academic Team & Jackie Pitts Service Award

Mary Hails

LAFAYETTE-EUREKA HIGH

Girls Water Polo - 3rd Place

Lafayette-Eureka Girls Water Polo Team

EUREKA HIGH

Congressional Art Competition -

Best Photo

Leah Dunaway

Missouri InvestWrite Essay

Competition - 1st Place

Lily Benz

Missouri Scholars Academy

Ethan Biggs

Evelyn Cramer

Nicole Li

Joshua Wu

Missouri Scholastic Writing Awards -

Silver Key

Paige Deakin

MSHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving

500 Free - 3rd Place

Luke Deutschman

MSHSAA Boys Tennis Singles -

2nd Place

Rocco Regnier

MCCA Girls Cheer State Championship

1st Team All-State

Lucy Manche

3rd Place

Eureka Girls Cheer Team

MSHSAA Girls Cross Country

14th Place

Brooke Samuelson

3rd Place

Eureka Girls Cross Country Team

MSLA Girls Lacrosse

1st Team All-State

Katie Criswell

1st Team All-State &

USA Lacrosse All-American

Ruby Copeland

2nd Place

Eureka Girls Lacrosse Team

MSHSAA Girls Track & Field

Pole Vault - 2nd Place

Ayla Bishop

MHSVCA Girls Volleyball - All-State

Audrey Hackney

MARQUETTE HIGH

Congressional Award Bronze Medal -

Deleena Mehrotra

HOSA International Leadership

Conference MRC Partnership -

3rd Place

Deetya Ladi

Saanvi Makkapati

Samridhi Singh

FBLA National Leadership Conference

Intro to Parliamentary Procedure -

3rd Place

Rithika Pendurthi

Business Management - 1st Place

Keshav Anand

Dhruv Bhosekar

Satvik Seetharaman

National Merit Scholarship

Semifinalists

Dhruv Bhosekar

Geyao (Grace) Dai

Rohan Deshpande

Sowmya Erukulapati

Connor Gleason

Anjali Gottumukkala

Shreyas Iyer

Rahul Modugu

Satvik Seetharaman

Ivy Wang

Perfect ACT

Wangshu Liu

Siddhartha Subbella

National History Day - 1st Place State & 4th Place National

Dhruv Chakravarthula
Amanda Moi
Siddharth Sawant
Yvette Yaroshenko

National Association of Biology Teachers Conference Poster Competition - 2nd Place

Ethan George

Symposium for Metabolic Health Competition - 1st Place

Aayush Khanna

St. Louis Science Fair - Special Award Recipients

Amol Bansal
Saanvi Boinepally
Vidyuth Kamesh
Vihaan Sawardekar
Satvik Seetharaman
Shrey Sharma

Missouri Scholastic Writing Awards - Gold Key

Jamie Park

Best of School Newspapers Online

Grayson Bowen
Angel DiSalvo
Natalie Grill
Kate Lorenz
Vihaan Madhavan
Samantha Perz
Avery Pitt
Morgan Siegel
Siya Taneja

Quill and Scroll Honor Society - George H. Gallup Winner

Marquette Messenger

Speech and Debate Association Academic All-American Award

Keshav Anand

MMEA All-State Choir - Soprano

Evelyn Dean

MHSVCA Boys Volleyball - 1st Team All-State

Alex Danyluck
Noah Landewe

MSLA Girls Lacrosse - All-State, All-American & Academic All-American

Marin Lally

MSHSAA Girls Track and Field Long Jump - 2nd Place

Triple Jump - 2nd Place
Chloe Tabb
3200 - 2nd Place
1600 - 3rd Place
Maleah Eggers

MHSVCA Girls Volleyball - 1st Team All-State

Teagan Pocius

Girls Water Polo

1st Team
Cassidy Kerber
1st Team & Defensive Player of the Year
Olivia Brzyski
1st Team & Player of the Year
Neveah Kerber

Girls Water Polo - State Champion

Marquette Girls Water Polo Team

ROCKWOOD SUMMIT HIGH

Missouri Scholars Academy

Aydan Abraham
Elizabeth Davis
Caleb Hardee
Georgia Teller

National Merit Scholarship

Semifinalist
Michael Charleston

Best of School Newspapers Online

Laura Gordon

MHSBCA Boys Baseball

All-State 1st Team
Kaden Dinges
Wyatt Schneider
Gabe Sieve
3rd Place
Rockwood Summit Boys Baseball Team

MSHSAA Boys Swimming & Diving

100 Breaststroke - 2nd Place
Gavin Waser

MSHSAA Boys Track & Field

Shot Put - 1st Place
Omar Hussein

MHSVCA Boys Volleyball -

1st Team All-State
Joe Lockey

MSHSAA Girls Cross Country - 3rd Place

Isabel Burlbaw

MHSSCA Girls Soccer -

1st Team
All-State
Maria Domian

MHSFCA Girls Softball -

1st Team All-State
Emily Perone

SCHOOL AND STAFF AWARDS

SCHOOL

CHESTERFIELD ELEMENTARY

National School of Character

EUREKA ELEMENTARY

National School of Character

SELVIDGE MIDDLE

National School of Character

STAFF

BLEVINS ELEMENTARY

National Board Certification for School Nurses

Bailey Fairfax

LAFAYETTE HIGH

MHSVCA Coach of the Year

Zach Young

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