Harding High School Academic Awards





On May 11, 2022 over 120 Harding High School students were honored for their academic achievements during the 21-22 school year. Assistant Principal Joe Andenoro kicked off the event by recognizing the many outstanding members of the school community who have helped to shape our student's academic success.

"Thank you to the Elementary staff, Middle School Staff, Parents, family members, school counselors, advisors, college representatives, Marion community partners, the Marion Community Foundation and the School Board who also made this celebration possible. Students, we applaud your efforts and dedication and we also recognize the village behind you that has helped you along your path."

Superintendent Ron Iarussi echoed those comments.

"Our students have had to endure a lot over the last three years. From remote days to hybrid learning then back to remote days, it hasn't been easy. That's what makes all of our students being recognized tonight even more impressive. Thank you to our families, and our great staff for working through all of the challenges as well. You have all shown a lot of grit, and it has paid off."

The first honoree of the night was Kristi Wink, who was presented with the Distinguished Alumni Award. Wink attended The Ohio State University after graduation to pursue a degree in Acting. She was crowned Miss Ohio 1991 and represented our state in the Miss America Pageant in Atlantic City. The following year in pursuit of her acting career, she moved to New York City

where she worked in TV commercials, soap operas, and as a runway model. Kristi realized her dream when she was cast as a Follies Girl and Swing in the Tony Award Winning Broadway production of The Will Rogers Follies. She has devoted countless hours to developing young lives through the performing arts. She is a choreographer and director at the Palace Theatre and several high schools in Marion.

"Prexy blood runs through our entire family," siad Wink. "Harding was top notch 35 years ago and it still is today. I am very thankful for our incredible music program that deeply impacted my life and my career. I'm proud to be a prexy and thank you for this wonderful honor."

The prestigious Keepsake Medallion was awarded next to the top two students in the graduating class, Valedictorian with a GPA of 6.345, Allister Scott, and Salutatorian with a GPA of 6.105, Zane Menzie. Scott and Menzie were then joined on stage by the top 15 of their fellow seniors.

Asa Deeren 6.011	Jennifer Gonzalez Segura 5.997	Andromeda Downs 5.875
Hannah White 5.776	Sofia Tinnerello 5.744	Kaitlyn Daum 5.735
Tucker Sloan 5.702	Shealana Booker 5.592	Kathryn Shoaf 5.542
Alexandra Vandeborne 5.540	Ronald Prater 5.528	Payne Ratliff 5.522
Jaylyn Fogle 5.453	Taylor Everhart 5.396	Avery Petrie 5.386

After the top seniors were honored, the event transitioned to a number of individual awards for high school students. Each year the science department honors a top junior student with the prestigious Bausch and Lomb Award, the highest science award given to a high school junior. This year the honor went to Mateusz Lisiecki.

Athletic Director, Sean Kearns, then introduced the athletic award recipients.

NFHS Award of Excellence: GRACE McCRERY and PAYNE RATLIFF OHSAA Courageous Student: TE'SEAN JEFFERSON Archie Griffin Award: A'NIYA REYNOLDS AND BRADY WINK OHSAA Scholar Athlete: SHEALANA BOOKER and ASA DEEREN Fahey Athlete of the Month (March): CADEN MILLISOR and AUTUMN FITZGERALD Music Director Jamie Rawlins recognized the Mark Parker Scholarship recipients, A'nya Reynolds and Payne Ratliff.

The Betty Morse Minutilli Scholarship, a scholarship for higher education that was created to honor and recognize Betty Morse Minutilli, who attended Marion Harding High School 1936-1939, was presented to Sofia Tinnerello.

The Marion Harding Class of 1972 Centennial Scholarship Award was created to honor Jim Simpkins, a recipient of the Congressional Silver Beaver Award for his volunteer services to scouting, and to Dolores Simpkins, whose insistence on reading enhanced the educational opportunities for her son Mike Simpkins, a 1972 graduate of Marion Harding High School. The award was presented this year to Meredith Gruber and Hannah White. Newest school board member, Tara Dyer, recognized the 2022 Black Heritage council Scholarship recipients: A'nya Reynolds, Shealana Booker, Kaedan Faggs and Shaqir Thompson.

The scholarship awards concluded with Jacob Arndt winning the Harding Faculty Club Scholarship, which is funded each year by the Harding Mistletoe Craft Show.

In total, graduating seniors honored at the Academic Awards this year earned more than \$1.5 million in scholarship funds.

Winner of the Harding High School Principal's Award was A'nya Reynolds. The Principal's Award is given to an outstanding Harding High School citizen of the senior class at Harding. Selection is based on character, service, leadership, spirit, and loyalty to Harding High School. Reynolds was chosen for the award because she is an example of what it means to be prexy proud, sharing time between multiple classes, clubs, and programs, and does so with ease and poise.

"A'nya goes above and beyond to help others and her school. She is kind and empathetic, strong academically, shows wisdom beyond her years, and I cannot wait to see what celebrations are next for her," said Andenoro.

Tri-Rivers Career Center Principal's Award - Kyle Watson

Harding Withrow Principal Award - Clayton Short

Harding Withrow Student of the Year - Gage Morris

Department Student's of the Year

ART	MAKAYLEE BLACKFORD
BLENDED	VERONICA MOUSA
CONSTRUCTION	DYLAN JARRELL
ENGINEERING	MAKAYLEE BLACKFORD
ENGLISH	ANNIE DOWNS
EXERCISE SCIENCE	DYLAN UMLAUF
FAMILY CONS. SCIENCE	ANTHONY LEWIS
GEAR UP	MORGEN RHODES AND KELSIE TEFFT
GLOBAL LOGISTICS	A'NYA REYNOLDS
HEALTH TECH	HARLEY GILMORE
IPT	RANDALLE SCHEITLER
JOURNALISM	GRACE McCRERY
JROTC	CADET BRENSEN EPPERSON
LIVING SKILLS	JULIA GEORGE
MATH	TUCKER SLOAN
MUSIC	TIFFANY GILL
SCIENCE	SOFIA TINNERELLO
SOCIAL STUDIES	SHEALANA BOOKER
TECH ED	ALEX MAYNARD
WELDING	CAMERON TENNEY
WORLD LANGUAGE	KAMERON BIEDERMAN
XL	HUNTER SWARTZ

Finally, the top 30 students in the freshman, sophomore, junior and senior classes were recognized for their diligence and hard work in the classroom (see the full list below). Each student receives a different award based on their qualification:

- 3 times on the semester honor roll Numerals
- 4 times on the semester honor roll Lamp of Knowledge

- 5 times on the semester honor roll Varsity
- 6 times on the semester honor roll

Varsity Letter

- Gold Pin Plaque
- 7 times on the semester honor roll

Congratulations to all of our students for their academic achievement!

TOP ACADEMIC FRESHMAN RECIPIENTS

Landon Adams Olivia Burdette Jaxon Caudill **Taylor Clayton** Ashton Conrad Audrey Feasel Isabella Fitzgerald **Jaylen Fuentes** Addyson Holsinger Haeden Honaker Parker Iden Annabell Johnson **Aubrey Keister** Holden Klemm Emily Little

Ayla Longacre Shannon Malone Raven Maynard Jack McCrery Quinn Menzie Candace Murphy Addyson Myers Sophia Pedraza **Preston Price** Nathaniel Rayburn Jackson Shipley Raina Smith Samantha Stover Meleah Tway Natalie Wonders

TOP ACADEMIC SOPHOMORE RECIPIENTS

Ashley Alvarez Lauren Anspaugh Callie Beary Calina Cain Macie Cameron Nathan Cunningham Alexia Davis Iris Deeren Emma Dendinger Ava Esterline Autumn Fitzgerald Isaac Fosnaugh Hayleigh Franklin Noelani Holden Mazlyn Hord

Suzannah Houpt Jarred Keesee Seth Krausz **Pierre LaVette** Damian Lines Alexander Lisiecki Ashley Martinez Ramirez Allure McDuffie **Carter Rawlins** Autumn Silverio Sierra Silverio **Audrey Simon** Hailey Smith **Carter Weibling** Dylan Wilson

TOP ACADEMIC JUNIOR RECIPIENTS

Jada Adams Mallori Ballinger Jacob Beaschler Aubrey Boehm Kiya Carter Jayden Combs Justin Gonzalez Mateo Taylor Iden Jace Johnson Abigale Jordan Mateusz Lisiecki Nichole Manley James McCoy Aiden Miller

Megan Montgomery Jayde Pineda Nevaeh Rawlins Gadge Redman Grace Sherer Adrian Shipley **Taryn Simmers Raiden Sipes** Shelby Stimson **Brielle Stone** Kaitlynn Sutherland Kane Thoman Mariah Toombs Faith Wheeler

TOP ACADEMIC SENIOR RECIPIENTS Zane Menzie Shealana Booker **Abbigail Peters** Layla Byers **Avery Petrie** Tahlia Cirillo **Ronald Prater** Maykelin Cole Payne Ratliff Kaitlyn Daum A'nya Reynolds Asa Deeren Morgen Rhodes Andromeda Downs **Allister Scott Taylor Everhart** Kathryn Shoaf Kaedan Faggs **Emiley Shuster** Jaylyn Fogle **Tucker Sloan** Tiffany Gill Kameron Spiegel Alix Goney Sofia Tinnerello Jennifer Gonzalez Segura Alexandra Vandeborne Meredith Gruber NaJeh Vanness Sterling Houpt Hannah White **Grace McCrery**

ADDITIONAL AWARD/SCHOLARSHIP RECIPIENTS

Jacob Arndt Kameron Biederman Makaylee Blackford Kay-Lee Crockett Brensen Epperson Julia George Harley Gilmore Karina Jaimes-Jimenez Dylan Jarrell Te'Sean Jefferson Aaliyah Jordan Anthony Lewis **Avery Longacre** Alex Maynard **Caden Millisor**

Gage Morris Veronica Mousa Amare Pedraza Hanna Price **Randalle Scheitler Clayton Short** Hunter Swartz **Cameron** Tenney Kelsie Tefft Shaqir Thompson Ryleigh Tillman Dylan Umlauf Kyle Walston **Brady Wink**