

# The Foundation

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## Foundation honors Excellence in Academics

Nearly 100 Harrisonville High School students were honored for their academic achievement during the 2020-21 school year on the morning of September 27. The Harrisonville Public School Foundation's Excellence in Academics program honors students who complete the year in the top 15% of their class based on annual GPA. Those students received the Excellence in Academics medallion presented by HHS Principal Mark Rorvig in the school's Performing Arts Center.

The first year recipients of the Excellence in Academics honor were Haylee Bruton, Carson Miller, Desta Mitchell, Caleb Verstraete, Samuel Anderson, Emilio Arroyo, Alexander Bullock, Annika Collins, Leah Harris, Isabella Tracy, Grace Atkinson, Sydney Ballard, Kenneth Barnard, Gretchen Brooks, Ayden Christensen, Alyssa Cox, Miranda Fisher, Chloe Fitzgerald, Lexi George, Kylee Hastings, Dayton Hoffman, Slade Holden, Chloe Jackson, Zayda Jones, Brehonna Little, Kyle Malkmus, Kayla Mason, Haylee Mayberry, McKenzie Meeks, Riley Minskey, Mason Mitchell, Eli Norman, Noah Norman, Ann O'Reilly, Brooklyn Rhoney, Cayden Ritter, and Emma Schrock.

The students earning the Excellence in Academics honor for the second year were Morgan Evans, Elijah Parris, Nicholas Saffels, Elizabeth Allen, Alex Barta, Joseph Berg, Cort DeVenney, Aubrey Hall, Trey Hoffman, Brooke Hopkins, Madison Johnson, Madison Lalman, Tucker Lawson, Elizabeth Lundeen, Abigail Overbay, Peyton Ritter, Kadence Schrock, Emma Schroder, Menda Schroeder, Kennedy Smalley, Kole Snook, Charles Sturgeon, and Kale Weber.

Third-year Excellence in Academics recipients were Audrey Barnes, Isaiah Bliss, Anna Brauer, Andrew Bullock, Cheyenne Cesonis, Maria Cesonis, Isaac Chiodini, Macie Collings, Connor Everhart, Katie Fitzgerald, Piper Foreman, Emily Joseph, Greta Maxwell, Kylie Meeks, Jaxon Morris, Joshua Pesek, Logan Quinley, Kenneth Reed, Jace Reynolds, Jenna Schrock, and Keylee Turner.

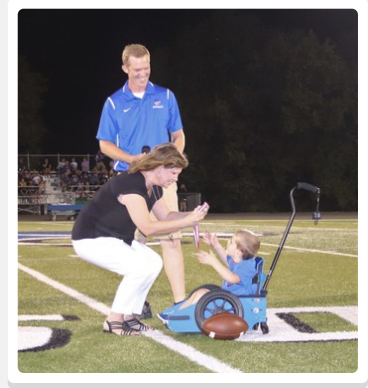
Third-year recipients can earn a \$500 scholarship from the Foundation at the end of this school year if they complete the year in the top 15% of their class based on this year's GPA.

## Carmichael, Moreland inducted into Wall of Fame

The Harrisonville Public School Foundation, in partnership with the Harrisonville School District, inducted Harrisonville High School alumni Danny Carmichael and Taylor Moreland into the Distinguished Alumni Wall of Fame on September 10.

Carmichael graduated from HHS in 1978 and was inducted for his distinguished record of service to his community. Moreland is a 2009 HHS graduate and was honored for his innovation and determination to make the world a better place for children with disabilities

They were inducted at halftime of the football game as part of the HHS Homecoming festivities and honored during a pregame reception in the middle school cafeteria which was open to the public. They were also part of the Homecoming parade. To read his full bio, go to <https://www.harrisonvilleschools.org/Page/69>.



## District teachers receive funds

During the school district's opening meeting in August, the Foundation presented over \$5,000 in grants to district teachers.

First up, Foundation President Susan Holden presented the 2021 Educator of the Year Lisa Elifrits, HMS math, with a \$500 grant.

She then presented \$100 Amazon gift cards to five brand new teachers to use to get their classrooms set up. Those recipients were Megan Hayden, Jameson Knox, Christina Stanberry, Collin Shepherd, and Ethan Zirkle.

Finally, she presented the 2nd annual Bill F. Mills Leaving a Legacy mini-grants (pictured below). The Bill Mills Leaving A Legacy Grant is an addition to the Foundation's Excellence in Academics program which honors students who complete the year in the top 15% of their class. Seniors who earn Excellence in Academics recognition all four years receive a \$500 scholarship from the Foundation. Each four-year Excellence in Academics recipient also has the opportunity to choose a school-sponsored program, department or extracurricular activity to receive a \$250 mini grant from the Foundation. The 2021 Bill F. Mills Leaving a Legacy grant recipients and the graduates who chose them were HHS National Honor Society from James Tieman, Jaden Boyer and Hannah Reynolds, CCC Bright Futures from Kara Lemmer, HHS Gaming Club from Garrett Brown, HHS Cheerleading from Josie Anderson, CCC Marketing from Hunter Baker, HHS Student Council from Colleen O'Reilly, HHS Color Guard from Kathryn Truman, HHS Show Choirs from Riley Mathew, HHS Wrestling from Nathanael DeVenney, HHS Band from Walker Holden, HHS Girls' Tennis from Kaelin Holden, HATS from Selah Norman and Mary O'Reilly, and FFA from Trevor Campbell and George Frees.





## Foundation hosts successful golf tournament

The Harrisonville Public School Foundation raised approximately \$7,000 at its recent Alumni and Friends Golf Tournament. The tournament was part of the Homecoming festivities for Harrisonville High School.

The Foundation will use the proceeds to fund its programming including teacher grants, the Advanced Degree Teacher Initiative, the Excellence in Academics program, and scholarships.

The winning four-some was sponsored by the Law Office of Lynn Laffoon and included Chuck Weedman, George Morse, Greg Morse, and Parker Harrelson.

In the B Flight, the winning team was sponsored by Holland's Auto Sales and included Steve Holland, John Raine, Kenny Speer, and Kevin Stewart.

Contest hole winners included Men's Longest Drive, Andrew Leone; Women's Longest Drive, Cheryl Bush; and Closest to the Pin, Chuck Weedman.

Sixty-eight participants competed in the four-person scramble tournament on Friday, September 10.

The True Wildcat sponsors for the event were ABBCO and Dr. Shaun and Susan Holden.

The Royal Blue Sponsors included Hollis + Miller, Holland's Auto Sales, Church & Dwight, the Law Office of Lynn Laffoon, Nelson Eddy Construction, Kansas City Orthopedic Alliance, Ed & Gail Roberts Family, Big Yield, Harrisonville Kiwanis Club, and Family Center. The drink cart was sponsored by American

Heritage Realty.

The White/Hole sponsors were the LJ Hart, Rotary Club of Harrisonville, Commerce Bank, Ed & Gail Roberts Family, Hollis + Miller, and Strategic Financial Concepts Inc.

Team sponsors include Sherwood Community Bank, Harrisonville Kiwanis Club, and LJ Hart.

Silent auction items provided by Upcycled Orchard, the Harrisonville Schools activities department, Shelter Insurance-Lacey Domnick, Branding Iron, Cider House, and Kurzweil's.



A Flight Winners



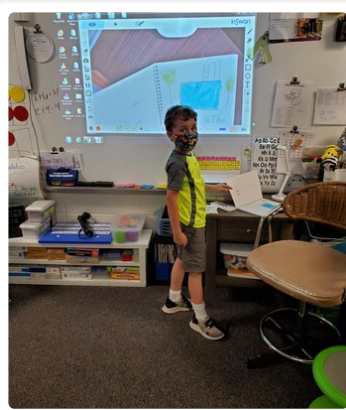
B Flight Winners

Foundation funds in action



## Bill F. Mills Leaving A Legacy Grant

Cass Career Center marketing students toured Children's Mercy Park in September to learn about sports marketing, internships, careers, sponsorship, & facility design. The field trip was made possible through CCC alum Hunter Baker's designation of marketing for his Bill F. Mills Leaving A Legacy grant. Foundation four-year Excellence in Academics recipients have the opportunity to designate a \$250 mini-grant to the program that most influences them in high school.



## District Grant

Last year, the Foundation funded a district grant to purchase document cameras for all classroom teachers. Pictured, a first grader shows off his work to his classmates using the document camera.

## Alumni News & Notes

### Class of '71 makes donation

The HHS Class of 1971 celebrated its 50th reunion on Homecoming weekend. The group collected funds at the event to donate to the Foundation and classmate Laurence Smith presented a check for \$650 to Foundation Executive Director Jill Filer.





# Wildcat football program to be inducted into Missouri Sports Hall of Fame

The Missouri Sports Hall of Fame has announced that the Harrisonville High School Football program will be among the seven inductees in the Hall of Fame for this year.

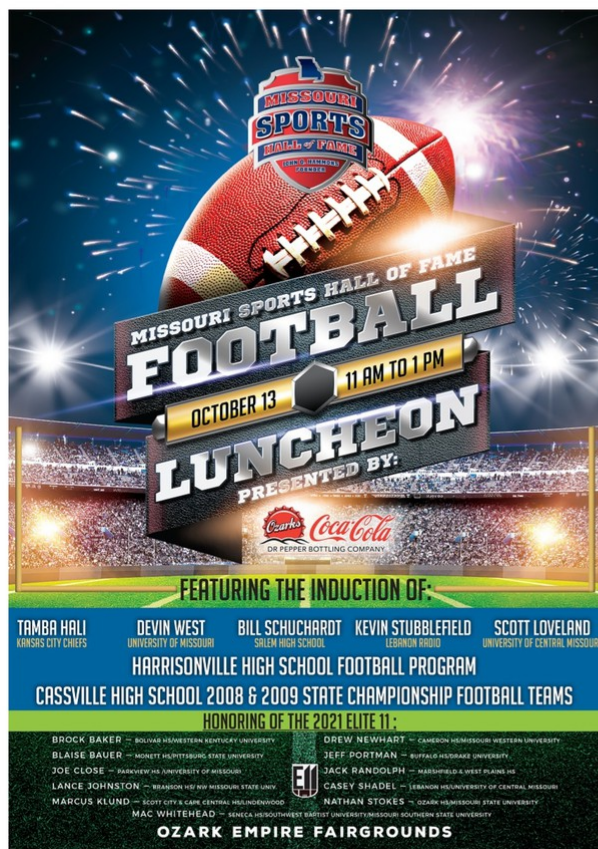
From the announcement release....

The Harrisonville Wildcats are among the elite of Missouri high school football programs, having played in eight state championship games. They won four of them in Class 3 – in 2003, 2005, 2006, and 2007, and one in Class 4 - 2016. They were Class 3 state runners-up in 1970, 1983 and 2004. Overall, it's a program that has carved out a record of 631-326-40 since 1906 (through Sept. 3, 2021). Much of the success has come since 1968, as Harrisonville has compiled a 422-149-2 record through seven head coaches: Hugh Cobb, Bob Barrett, Tim Dade, Fred Bouchard, Chuck Lliteras, Brent Maxwell and Kyle Schenker. Barrett's teams had 113 wins from 1976 to 1989, while Bouchard's teams were 75-6 from 2002 to 2007. Maxwell led the 2016 team. The program also counts nine undefeated seasons (1907, 1928, 1951, 1952, 1953, 1971, 2003, 2006 and 2007) and an enjoyed a 41-game win streak (Sept. 9, 2005 to Nov. 24, 2007), which is fifth-best in state history, and a 40-game win streak (Oct. 20, 1950 to Oct. 29, 1954). The Wildcats also enjoyed a 48-game conference win streak from Nov. 1, 2002 to Sept. 28, 2012. Along the way, Harrisonville has won 18 district titles and 34 conference championships.

The induction will take place during the annual Football Luncheon of the Missouri Sports Hall of Fame at 11 a.m. on Wednesday, October 13 at the Ozark Empire Fairgrounds in Springfield.

Other 2021 inductees include Kansas City Chiefs pass rusher Tamba Hali, University of Missouri running back Devin West, Kickapoo High School & University of Central Missouri quarterback Scott Loveland, Salem High School coach Bill Schuchardt, and Lebanon radio broadcaster Kevin Stubblefield, and Cassville High School's 2008 and 2009 state championship teams.

Former HHS players and coaches are invited to attend the event. A sponsorship table of eight is \$400 and includes a print autographed by individual inductees as well as recognition in the printed program and at the table. A head table ticket is \$100 and includes the same perks. A single ticket is \$50, or \$60 at the door. Numerous sponsorships are available, including congratulatory ads. Call 417-889-3100.



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## Staying Connected with Harrisonville Schools

We encourage our alumni to stay connected to Harrisonville and HHS. We have several ways you can do that....

- Follow our district Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/HarrisonvilleSchools](https://www.facebook.com/HarrisonvilleSchools) and high school Facebook page - [www.facebook.com/HarrisonvilleHighSchool](https://www.facebook.com/HarrisonvilleHighSchool).
- Subscribe to the district's twice monthly e-newsletter, Key News. Go to <https://harrisonville.parentlink.net/> & click on Sign Up at the bottom of the page next to "Want to keep up with the latest news and updates from HARRISONVILLE SCHOOLS?"

## Please share this newsletter with your fellow Wildcat alumni

Calling all Harrisonville High School Alumni! Please forward this newsletter and encourage your classmates & friends to complete the Alumni Contact Form to help us create a full and complete listing of HHS alumni.

[Click here for Alumni Contact Form](#)

Also, we invite you to "like" both the [Harrisonville Public School Foundation](#) and [Harrisonville High School Alumni](#) Facebook pages.

The Foundation Facebook page provides regular updates on Foundation activities including photos of our work in action and opportunities for you to support the work of the Foundation.

The Alumni page is the "go to" place to get information on alumni events and opportunities, connect with classmates, and share reunion information. To submit information for the alumni page, email



## Wildcat spirit signs available to purchase

Show your Wildcat spirit by purchasing a yard sign sporting your favorite activity. Maybe it's soccer, baseball, choir, tennis ... whatever! Or, maybe you'd like it to say alumni, [#WildcatFamily](#), your last name or Class of 19?? (up to 15 characters).

The yard signs (sign/stake/hardware) are \$55 each, and each individual personalized plaque is \$10.

Orders will be placed on the 15th of each month. Payment is required before we will finalize your order. Buyers will be notified via email that their sign and/or plaque is ready to pick up at the district administrative office, 503 S. Lexington.

Place an order here:

<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSdEjlu1dTZ-a118KJVe6YoB56oJDes6mmWd61F-G81GU0pWCQ/viewform>.

You can pay online; there's a small transaction fee:

<https://harrisonvillepublicschoolfoundation.networkforgood.com/events/7753-show-your-wildcat-spirit>

If you would rather not pay the small transaction fee, then you may mail or drop off your check made payable to the Harrisonville Public School Foundation to:

Harrisonville Public School Foundation  
503 S. Lexington  
Harrisonville, MO 64701

All proceeds benefit the Foundation's programming including teacher grants, district grants and student scholarships.





# Shopping Online? Support the Harrisonville Public School Foundation while you shop!

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2. Choose the Harrisonville Public School Foundation as your charity of choice.
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For each eligible purchase, **the AmazonSmile Foundation will donate .5% to us** (with no extra cost to you). On AmazonSmile, you'll find the exact same prices, selection and shopping experience as Amazon.com.

Your contributions will help us support our students and teachers by providing funding to enhance educational programs and activities in the district.

#### In 2020 that support has included...

- A new 10-passenger van that staff and students use for event and activity trips
- District, teacher & classroom grants totaling more than \$31,000
- Scholarships to graduating seniors in the amount of \$43,000




For more information, go to  
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