Nelson County

***“Good News”***

February 2014

At, **Bloomfield Elementary**, we have been focusing on reading as a priority and have completed our school-wide literacy plan which will go in effect during the 14-15 school year. Our students are loving the implementation of our new STEM lab. BES would love for our board members to visit.

8th Grade **Bloomfield Middle School Student**, Rachel Tichenor received a scholarship from the United States Achievement Academy Scholarship Foundation. The Foundation seeks to enhance the intellectual and personal growth of students in grades 5 to12 who demonstrate a genuine interest in learning. Rachel is an outstanding example of a Nelson County School student that exhibits exceptional qualities in academics, extra-curricular and co-curricular activities.

**At Boston, Samantha Guernsey** placed first in the district level Governor's Cup for written composition. She placed 4th in the region and will advance to the state competition on March 15th at The Galt House in Louisville.

**The Boston Academic Team**was awarded the Catherine Hume sportsmanship award at the district competition on January 18th.

Congratulations to Audrey Boone from **Cox’s Creek**. She was the first place winner of the Bardstown/Nelson County Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse Awareness Poster contest.  Her poster has now gone onto regionals.

**Foster Heights 5th grader, Abby DeGroote, won first place in the Knights of Columbus Substance Abuse and Awareness Poster Contest for our area.  She will now compete in Louisville.**

Kyle Calvert, senior at **Horizons**, placed 2nd in a welding competition held in Owensboro. The welding team from the tech school placed 1st.

**Nelson County High School** AFJROTC Cadet Jamie Cahoe enlisted in the Army National Guard in January--Jamie is a 4th-year JROTC cadet.  She plans to attend EKU and join the Army senior ROTC program to become an Officer in the United States Army.  She was also selected as the NCHS Basketball Homecoming Queen.

NCHS AFJROTC Drill Team members, Aaron Jackson, Nikki Dugger, Jake McClearn, and Andrew Adams presented the Colors at the Univ of Louisville Women's Basketball Game, 2 Feb, at the YUM Center.

Congratulations to the **New Haven** 7th grade Boys Basketball team who pulled off a come from behind win to take the NIT championship on Wednesday February 5th. Well done to all the players and special thanks to the coaches for their time and effort.

At **Old Kentucky Home Middle**, students in the Beta Club brought in numerous donations for The Home of the Innocents and wrote over 200 letters for the “Holiday Mail for Heroes” program.

Congratulations go out to Nada Kaissieh at **Thomas Nelson High School**. Nada has been selected as an Affiliate Award Winner of the NCWIT (National Center for Women &Information Technology Award for Aspirations in Computing). They informed her that she is being recognized for her computing-related aspirations and for her demonstrated, outstanding aptitude and interest in information  
technology/computing; solid leadership ability; good academic history; and plans for post-secondary education. They noted that Nada should be honored to receive this distinction."