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TO: Member of the Hardin County Board of Education

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Superintendent

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SUBJECT: 2016 Governor's Scholars

ISSUE: The Governor's Scholars Program is a stimulating, five-week, residential summer program for outstanding Kentucky high school students. Established in 1993, the program has been highly successful, offering a concentrated academic and personal growth experience for rising high school seniors who have demonstrated exceptional intellectual potential, high academic achievement and creative ability. The challenging, non-traditional experience balances a strong liberal arts program with a full co-curricular and residential life experience.

The Governor's Scholars Program seeks to:

- help exceptional high school students achieve their academic and personal potential and cultivate their leadership capabilities;
- expand students' horizons, develop their flexibility, creativity and critical thinking while heightening their sensitivity to future possibilities for themselves, Kentucky and society;
- stimulate, encourage, and reward excellence in Kentucky schools.

The program moves at a swift pace and advanced level, as the Scholars concentrate on concepts, theory, and discovery. The program offers students an opportunity to be responsible for their own learning. The academic program is designed for enrichment, not practice or advancement in special subjects. Governor's Scholars are expected to attend daily classes and to participate fully in the academic and intellectual life of the community.

Each student selects a Focus Area, participates in a Problem-Solving/Service Learning Area, and in a Governor's Scholars Seminar. The following students have completed the application process and their applications have been forwarded to the selection committee:

Nominee(s) School

Bailey, Serenity North Hardin HS Baird, Haley Central Hardin HS Biggs, Joshua Central Hardin HS Boulier, Taylor Central Hardin HS Cox, Trevin Central Hardin HS Fulk, Taren North Hardin HS Gage, Caitlin Central Hardin HS Gary, Kailie Central Hardin HS Gibson, Erin Central Hardin HS Gonterman, Lexus Central Hardin HS Gordon, Kyle Central Hardin HS Hampton, Gzeonie North Hardin HS Harrub, Noah Central Hardin HS Hartlage, Heather Central Hardin HS Mahanna, Brooke North Hardin HS Middleton, Marley John Hardin HS Mink, Madelaine Central Hardin HS Muehleman, Maggie John Hardin HS Nichols, Ellen Central Hardin HS ODaniel, Carson John Hardin HS Osborne, Mary Central Hardin HS Patel, Riyakumari Central Hardin HS Pawley, Hailey Central Hardin HS Pawley, Madison Central Hardin HS Quire, Michael Central Hardin HS Reynolds, Megan North Hardin HS Riney, Philip Central Hardin HS Self, Felicia Central Hardin HS Smith, Christina North Hardin HS Thomas, Casey Central Hardin HS Tomioka, Risa Central Hardin HS Vowels, Grace John Hardin HS Wall, Elijah North Hardin HS Williams, Waverly Central Hardin HS Wyatt, Daniel Central Hardin HS Yates, Cy North Hardin HS Young, Kevin John Hardin HS