

The Kenton County Board of Education is excited to honor our high school students who have been selected to participate in Governor's Schoolars Program, Governor's School for the Arts, Governor's School for Entrepreneurs, Gatton Academy, and Craft Academy. As we honor the students selected for each program, Ill give a brief description of the program and then recognize the students by school.

First, the *Governor's Scholars Program* strives to enhance Kentucky's next generation of civic and economic leaders. Established in 1983, the program provides academic and personal growth through the balance of a strong liberal arts program with a full co-curricular and residential life experience. As I call your name, please come forward and receive your certificate.

Students selected from Dixie Heights High School:

Elizabeth Blank
Cameron Brewer
Andrew (AJ) Dilts
Bowen Dobson
Catherine Kremer
Aaron Lanham
Emma Lord
Nicole Marker
Samantha Osborne
Bethany Waddey

Students selected from Scott High School:

Jayden Connelly
Justin Grindstaff
Austin Major
Emma Poole

Students selected from Simon Kenton High School:

Maria Abbinante
Brittany Ashley
Rachel Bush
Kelli Capps
Kaycie Carpenter
Faith Chitkara
Caitlyn Cobb
Emily Girard
Elayne Harrington
Hannah Lewis
Shelby Martin
Janie Pierce
Sadie Sand
Josh Hamilton
Robert Krohman
Garrett Russell
Lucas Threlfall
Easten Young
Alternate: Kamryn Lee

The next group of students we will honor have been selected to participate in the Governor's School for the Arts. GSA auditions promising high school sophomores and juniors in nine different arts disciplines: Architecture + Design, Creative Writing, Dance, Drama, Instrumental Music, Musical Theatre, Film + Photography, Visual Art and Vocal Music. Students selected for GSA will participate in a discipline specific, 3 week summer, residential program and receive intense arts instruction from a faculty of professional artists and educators. As I call your name, please come forward and receive your certificate.

Students selected from Dixie Heights High School:

Kaitlyn King
Andrew Reynolds
Kyle Walker
Abby Murphy (alternate)

Students selected from Simon Kenton High School:

Natalie Meyer
Sadie Lucas
Serena Garrett

Governor's School for Entrepreneurs is a residential summer program where creative, free-thinking teens learn and do product innovation and business model design. GSE's exploratory environment combines exposes teens to the business model canvas, design-thinking, and lean startup methodology. GSE gives teens an authentic glimpse into entrepreneurship and continues to develop them along their entrepreneurial journey. Each of the students selected to attend this program are students at the Kenton County Academy for Innovation and Technology. As I call your name, please come forward to receive your certificate:

Students selected from Dixie Heights High School:

Jaden Dietz- Jaden is in the Engineering Academy.

Students selected from Simon Kenton:

Madison Biddle- Madison is in the Future Educators Academy. Angelina Rangel- Angelina is in the Engineering Academy. Grace Hoffstetter-Grace is in the BioMedical Sciences Academy.

Our final group of students have been selected to attend either the *Gatton Academy or Craft* **Academy.** The *Gatton Academy* is a two year, residential STEM program for gifted and talented juniors and seniors. Students come from across the Commonwealth and have the opportunity to conduct research with professors, study abroad, and attend college classes. The *Craft* **Academy for Excellence in Science and Mathematics** is a dual-credit residential high school for academically exceptional Kentucky students. The Craft Academy's purpose is to meet the unique educational needs of academically gifted and talented high school juniors and seniors in the Commonwealth. The academic rigor of the Craft Academy challenges students to excel at their highest level through project-based STEM+X courses and hands-on learning experiences, with emphasis on innovation, design and creativity, and civic and regional engagement.

Ian Storrs from Dixie Heights High School was selected to attend Gatton Academy.

Christopher Davisson from Scott High School and Jordan Griffin and Jaden Moss from Simon Kenton High School were selected to attend the Craft Academy.