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April 22nd Board of Education Meeting Student Recognition: Gatton and Craft Academy Students Re:

BCPS has had several students selected to attend the Gatton, Craft, and Commonwealth Honors Academy!

The Gatton Academy at Western Kentucky University is Kentucky's first state-supported, two-year residential program for high school students with interests in advanced science and math careers and is one of only 15 such programs in the nation. Gatton students will complete their junior and senior years of high school living in Florence Schneider Hall. At the end of their two-year course of study, students will graduate from high school with a minimum of 60 college credit hours.

The Craft Academy at Morehead State University is a dual-credit academy for academically exceptional Kentucky students. Craft Academy provides students with a postsecondary residential experience to complete their junior and senior high school years by enrolling in college courses. 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, emphasizing innovation, design and creativity, and civic and regional engagement. Through the Craft Academy experience, students will complete a high school diploma and earn a minimum of 60 college credit hours with MSU professors teaching all courses.

The Commonwealth Honors Academy is an exciting, challenging academic enrichment program for outstanding high school students who have completed their junior year. Since its beginning in 2001, the Commonwealth Honors Academy has welcomed over 1700 students to learn, live, and grow on Murray State's campus. Upon completion of CHA, students will receive six hours of university credit and receive an in-state full-tuition scholarship with a 3.5 cumulative high school GPA and a minimum 25 ACT Composite score.

Jacob Young, Craft Academy
Alexander Simms, Craft Academy
Lauren Lindquist, Craft Academy
Caitlyn Jett, Craft Academy
Austin Klein, Craft Academy
Declan Carroll, Craft Academy
Avery Wasinger, Craft Academy
Lex Patterson, Gatton Academy
Austin Wooden, Gatton Academy
Riley "Rue" Brown, Gatton Academy
Keatin Roach, Commonwealth Academy

Congratulations, Students!