



A Salute to Excellence

The Wells County Foundation
and the Bluffton Rotary Club
salute the
2023 Wells County Scholars
at our
24th annual Scholars Dinner
Wednesday, March 1, 2023

Saluting our local student excellence

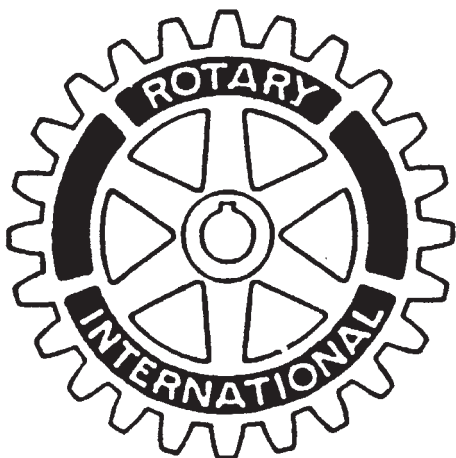
Both The Wells County Foundation, Inc. and the Bluffton Rotary Club have long-standing histories of commitment to the education and well-being of youth in our community.

In 1999, the two organizations came together to explore ways to collaborate and recognize outstanding students from the local high schools. Out of this meeting, the first annual Scholar Dinner was born.

Faculty members from the schools are responsible for the selection of the outstanding scholars within their schools and the number of representatives is dependent upon enrollment. The criteria for selection is that the nominees maintain an outstanding academic level while at the same time remaining active in extra-curricular and community-service related activities. Students in grades nine through twelve are eligible for this recognition.

In addition to being recognized as "Outstanding Scholars," the recipients and their parents are guests of honor at a dinner hosted by the Foundation and Rotary Club.

The annual event has now become a tradition of recognizing the outstanding youth in our community. The Foundation and the Rotary Club value the impact that these young men and women have in Wells County and are proud to recognize them for their achievements.



Freshmen

William Case

William is a freshman at Norwell High School and the son of Luke and Kim Case. He is on the distinction honor roll, and has earned awards for technology, art, and history. He plays baseball, basketball, football, runs track, and is also on travel baseball and basketball teams.



William was a member of the National Junior Honor Society and participates in small groups at church. He plans to attend college but has not decided on a major.

Madeline Dean

Madeline is a freshman at Norwell High School and the daughter of Matthew and Angela Dean. She is a Norwell Spelling Bowl champion, has been on the distinction honor roll for three years, and is on the middle school Academic Wall of Fame. Madeline is a Children's Miracle Network Champion for Riley Children's Hospital and is on the Norwell Business Advisory Committee. She participates in choir and is on the JV girls golf team. In middle school she was a member of the Norwell Academic Team, and Future City.



Madeline plans to attend college and then law school to become an international and foreign affairs attorney.

Emma Frauhiger

Emma is a freshman at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Jesse and Janelle Frauhiger. She is on the high honor roll, and the high school swim team. Emma participates in Youth as Resources, SOS youth group, and does community outreach.



She is currently undecided about her future career path.

Jarin Frauhiger

Jarin is a freshman at Southern Wells High School and the son of Travis and Jenna Frauhiger. He is on several sports teams at school including wrestling, track, football, basketball, and cross country.



Jarin is involved in the SOS youth group and plans to continue farming on his family's farm.

Marshall Gerber

Marshall is a freshman at Bluffton High School and the son of Kyle and Alyssa Gerber. He was named Elks Junior Student of the Year, is on the high honor roll, serves on the student council as freshmen class president, is a Tiger Scholar Athlete, and earned a varsity letter in football. He is also on the basketball, track, and English academic teams.



Marshall served as 8th grade class president, was captain of the 8th grade basketball team, and has awards for leadership in language arts, science, and PE.

He serves on the Youth as Resources board, attends Campus Life, and Hope Missionary Youth Group.

Marshall plans to graduate with honors and attend college but has not made a career choice at this time.

Jaycie Grzych

Jaycie is a freshman at Norwell High School and the daughter of Cale and Kaley Grzych. She is on the distinction honor roll, a member of the National Junior Honor Society, and has received student of the month awards. Jaycie plays volleyball, is on the track, swim, and softball teams, is involved in Campus Life and volunteers at her church.



She plans to attend a four year college after high school.

Wyatt Harker

Wyatt is a freshman at Southern Wells High School and the son of Eric and Karinda Harker. He is a member of the Tabletop Gaming Club and plans to attend college to earn a bachelor's degree.



The members of the Bluffton Rotary Club salute our 2023 Wells County Scholars

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Jordan Arnold
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Bret Beer
Jessica Beste
Gary Boone
Doug Brown
Garrett Bucher
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Gina Eisenhut

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Kim Gentis
Rick Gentis
Chandler Gerber
Paige Hamilton
Brandon Harnish
Mitch Harnish
Piercen Harnish
Tim Hartigan
Greg Hiday
Steve Higgins
Keith Huffman

Steve Huggins
Conor Jackson
Jayde Ketring
Laura Kruchkow
Dan Lipp
Sarah MacNeill
Bruce Miller
Mark Miller
Thom Miller
Ked Moser
Derek Myers
Bill Quegan

Casey Robbins
Nate Rumschlag
Nathan Shelton
Kristin Steckbeck
Phil Swain
Jeremy Todd
Angie Topp
Michael Towne
Lee VonGunten
George Witwer

Delaney Hoover

Delaney is a freshman at Norwell High School and the daughter of Zack and Tiffany Hoover. She has been on the distinction honor roll for the past three years and was an English Spotlight student. She plays on the Norwell golf and tennis teams and is member of the Wildwood Racquetball Club.



Delaney attends Hope Missionary Church youth group and plans to go to college but her major is undecided.

Emmaline Johnson

Emmaline is a freshman at Norwell High School and the daughter of John and Nichol Johnson. She serves on the student council, is a member of National Junior Honor Society, and participates in cheer and tennis. Emmaline serves on Teen Court, is a member of 4-H and a 4-H junior leader. She attends TLC youth group and assists with TLC kids.



Emmaline plans to earn an elementary education degree.

Alexander Mechling

Alexander is a freshman at Bluffton High School and the son of Eric and Tammy Mechling. He is on the high honor roll, serves on the student council, and was on Bluffton's 2022 sectional championship football team.



Alex is also on the track team, partici-

pates in Academic Bowl, and his church youth group. He helps with the middle school math academic team and would like to see them go to state.

Alex wants to continue to get straight A's and graduate as Valedictorian of his class. He plans to attend the University of Indianapolis for paleontology.

Kaitlee Reinhard

Kaitlee is a freshman at Norwell High School and the daughter of Mark and Angie Reinhard. She is on the distinction honor roll, is a member of the National Junior Honor Society, has earned academic awards, as well as the Wells County Girls Softball Mental Attitude Award. Kaitlee also plays volleyball for Norwell, participates in Foundation of Truth, Norwell Campus Life, and attends Apostolic Christian Church youth group.



She would like to go to college to major in nursing.

Macie Saalfrank

Macie is a freshman at Norwell High School and the daughter of Terry and Shaylynn Saalfrank. She has been on distinction honor roll for three years, was named student of the month, is on the Academic Wall of Fame, and earned citizenship and art awards. Macie participates on the basketball, volleyball, and tennis teams, attends Campus Life, and Bethlehem Youth Group.



She plans to go to college and possibly pursue a career in animal science.

Trey Slusher

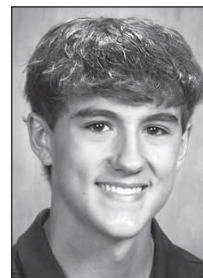
Trey is a freshman at Southern Wells High School and the son of Logan and Meghan Slusher. He is on the honor roll, received an 8th grade Outstanding Art Student Award, and placed third for leadership development events at the FFA state competition. He also participates in livestock and soil judging and is a 2023 junior officer for Southern Wells FFA. Trey plays football and basketball, shows beef and swine in 4-H, and attends McNatt Church.



He hasn't made a career choice yet but plans to stay on the honor roll throughout high school.

Brady Smith

Brady is a freshman at Norwell High School and the son of Brian and Angie Smith. He is on the distinction honor roll, a member of National Junior Honor Society, was named Student Athlete of the Year for 2021-22, is on the Academic Wall of Fame, and has been named student of the month.



Brady plays football, basketball, and runs track at Norwell. He also plays travel basketball for Indiana Heat and OPS (Optimum Performance Sports) and is a Campus Life CORE team member.

Brady plans to attend college to major in aerospace engineering.

Kaitlyn Stafford

Kaitlyn is a freshman at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Renee Fredrickson. She serves on the student council, is on the high honor roll, and has received academic honors in social studies, math, science, and language arts. She has earned a citizenship award, and a bronze and silver award for Girl Scouts.



Kaitlyn is in the marching, concert, jazz, and pep bands, is on the swim team, participates in Beyond Club, Students Making a Difference, Book Review Club, and Drama Club. She is a member of Youth as Resources and the 4-H Alpaca Club.

Kaitlyn plans to attend Purdue University for a degree in wildlife biology and then a Ph.D. from Colorado State University and work as a wildlife biologist.

Aaron Streveler

Aaron is a freshman at Bluffton High School and the son of Joe and Rachel Streveler. He is on the high honor roll, has academic awards for math, science, English, and social studies, is a Tiger Scholar Athlete, second team all-conference in football, and Blitz's 2022 Breakout Player of the Year in football.



Aaron also plays varsity basketball, OPS travel basketball, Midwest ACES, and USA Prime Midwest travel baseball. He volunteers for Kids Helping Kids, Forgotten Children Worldwide, and Dream Team baseball.

He plans to attend college for a degree in business and finance.

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Sophomores

Shae Brooks

Shae is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the daughter of Tyson and Rebeka Brooks. She is on the distinction honor roll and is a two year member of National Junior Honor Society. She is a World Food Prize Global Youth Institute Borlaug Scholar, has earned the Girls Track and Field Character Award, received gold at state and district ensemble, and earned a junior varsity soccer award, and a varsity letter for track.



Shae also participates in FFA at Norwell, is on the Go-Team at iTown church, attends youth group at Hope Missionary Church, and is a CORE leader for Campus Life. Shae would like to graduate with academic and technical honors and attend Purdue to become a veterinarian.

Cassandra Coyne

Cassandra is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the daughter of Kerry and Tracy Coyne. She is on the distinction honor roll, participated in Future City as world champions from the year before, and is on the middle school Wall of Fame.



Cassandra is on the Norwell swim team, the Wells Community, Otters, and the Cardinal Community swim teams, and attends Saint Joseph Church youth group.

She would like to attend Ball State for two years and then transfer to the University of Maine to complete her degree in early childhood education.

Landon Diver

Landon is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the son of Jeff and Laura Diver. He participates in cross country and track and field for Norwell.



After graduation Landon would like to pursue a civil engineering degree at Purdue University.

Chloe Engle

Chloe is a sophomore at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Chris and April Engle. She has been on the high honor roll for the last two years and was named Top Tiger. She currently works at Christian Care Retirement Community.



Chloe's goal is to maintain high honor roll throughout the rest of high school and attend college to pursue a degree in healthcare.

Lexi Grady

Lexi is a sophomore at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Jacob Grady and Kelli Grady-Pierce. She earned Outstanding Performance Awards for geometry and art, is on the high honor roll, serves on the student council, and is a Tiger Scholar Athlete. Lexi plays on the high school volleyball team, plays travel volleyball, and works school basketball games.



She has over 50 hours of community service and after graduation she plans to attend Indiana University to major in science and become a dentist.

Alyssa Green

Alyssa is a sophomore at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Dan and Andi Green. She has been on the high honor roll for the past two years, plays volleyball, participates in Sunshine Society, the Spirit Committee Media Club, Campus Life and CORE Team, and volunteers at Vacation Bible School.



Alyssa is plans to earn a degree that will allow her to pursue a career working with children.

Samuel Holloway

Samuel is a sophomore at Bluffton High School and the son of Cliff and Tammy Holloway. He has been on the high honor roll for two years and participates on the Bluffton E-Sports team.



He plans to pursue a career in aerospace engineering or computer science.

Teagan Lesley

Teagan is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the daughter of Tom Lesley and Nikki Lesley. She is on the distinction honor roll, and received awards for US history, technology education, and English, and Norwell Cross Country Mental Attitude Award. She also received the 20th Anniversary Future City Indiana Regional Outstanding Presentation Award, and was named Borlaug Scholar at the World Food Prize Purdue Youth Institute.



Teagan plays travel softball for Steve Garza's Aces Team, has ran cross country for two seasons and played one season of softball. She volunteers at Hope Missionary Church for Operation Christmas Child, volunteers for cross country races at the Norwell elementary schools and participated in the Norwell Middle School Future City Club.

Teagan plans to graduate with academic honors and attend college and have a career that will leave a positive impact on the world.

Emerson Meredith

Emerson is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the daughter of Mike and Julie Meredith. She has been on the distinction honor roll for the last two years, is on the swim and dive, track and field, and cross country teams. Emerson participates on the Wells County Otters swim team, attends Bluffton Nazarene youth group and Campus Life.



She plans to go to college and pursue a career in elementary education.

Kale Meredith

Kale is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the son of Mike and Julie Meredith. He has been on the distinction honor roll for the past two years, runs cross country, participates on the swim team, and is active in the Bluffton First Church of the Nazarene youth group.



He plans to attend college to earn a degree in engineering.

Caroline Ripperger

Caroline is a sophomore at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Mike and Judy Ripperger. She is on the honor roll, is the FFA chapter treasurer, and was on the ACAC sectional golf championship team. Caroline also serves on the student council, plays basketball, runs track, is a member of the Sunshine Society and attends Southern Wells Youth Group.



She is a 4-H Junior Ambassador and participates in livestock judging, arts and crafts, beef, goat, swine, and has taken exhibits to the State Fair.

Caroline plans to attend Purdue University to earn a degree in ag education and become an agricultural teacher and FFA advisor.

Derek Rockwell

Derek is a sophomore at Southern Wells High School and the son of Todd and Diane Rockwell. He has earned outstanding achievements in health and wellness, intro to computer science, engineering science, and general biology; academic excellence in geometry and algebra I, a President's Education Award for Outstanding Academic Excellence, and outstanding baritone in choir.

Derek plays varsity football, is on the track and wrestling teams, volunteers at Poneto United Methodist Food Bank, and attends Campus Life.

He plans to earn a bachelor's degree in actuarial sciences at Purdue University.



Maryn Schreiber

Maryn is a sophomore at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Kevin and Kelly Schreiber. She is on the varsity volleyball, track, and basketball teams, plays club volleyball, and participates in Business Professionals of America.



Maryn currently works at Zesto, and after high school she plans to attend college but has not decided on a major.

Rebecca Settle

Rebecca is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the daughter of Mark and Amy Settle. She is on the distinction honor roll, earned a language arts award in middle school, is a member of the concert and pep bands earning a gold rating at district and state ISSMA solo and ensemble competition.



Rebecca is on the Norwell volleyball team and also plays on the Summit City Wave volleyball team. She is in the art club and was on the middle school yearbook staff.

She attends Emmanuel Community Church Life Group and plans to go to college and earn a bachelor's degree in social science.

Noah Turk

Noah is a sophomore at Norwell High School and the son of Brian Turk and Danielle Thompson. He has received distinguished honors throughout his freshman and sophomore years and received a Distinguished Student Award from Allen County Nonpublic School Association in 8th grade.



Noah plays basketball and baseball and participates in Campus Life at Norwell.

He plans to go to college to become an actuary, mathematician, or engineer.

Lukas Yates

Lukas is a sophomore at Bluffton High School and the son of Chad and Mindy Yates. He is on the high honor roll, has earned math awards, and participates in Esports playing Super Smash Brothers for his second year.



Lucas plans to attend college for a bachelor's degree in computer science and possibly an advanced degree.

Juniors

Morgan Batdorff

Morgan is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Dan and Suzanne Batdorff. She is a member of the National Honor Society, is on the varsity soccer team, serves on the CORE leadership team for Campus Life, and the student leadership team at Hope Missionary Church. She also volunteers as assistant coach for the middle school girls' soccer team.



Morgan plans to attend college to major in dietetics and nutrition and become a registered dietitian.

Landon Crist

Landon is a junior at Bluffton High School and the son of Jeremy and Tara Crist. He is on the high honor roll, is a member of the National Honor Society, and has played on the baseball team for three years.



Landon plans to attend college for engineering.

Malaina Culbertson

Malaina is a junior at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Terry and Melissa Culbertson. She is a member of the National Honor Society, has received a Top Student Award, held an FFA Greenhand officer position, an FCCLA state office position, received gold at state conference and qualified for the national competition. Her parliamentary procedure team placed tenth in the nation.



Malaina is the junior class president, is involved in Spanish Club, Spirit Club, Sunshine Society, Campus Life Media Club, and is on the prom committee. She is a member of Youth as Resources and volunteers at the Blackford County Animal Shelter.

After she graduates, Malaina plans to go to college to study political science and criminology. She would like to become a lawyer and possibly work in government.

Emily Edmiston

Emily is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Joshua Edmiston and Rachel Sponseller. She is on the distinction honor roll, received the student spotlight for the music department and multiple best performer awards and grand champion awards for show choir.



Emily is participating the school musical, *The Addams Family*, this spring, and earned the role as dance captain and vocal captain for show choir. She would like to go to school to pursue a career in cosmetology, or possibly in music.

Zara Eisenhut

Zara is a junior at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Jeremy and Christy Eisenhut. She is on the high honor roll and earned a world history award. Zara participates in tennis, and marching, pep, jazz, and concert bands at Bluffton.



Her goal after high school is to attend college to become a doctor of obstetrics.

Emilyn Heaston

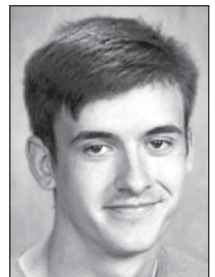
Emilyn is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Steve and Jody Heaston. She's on the academic distinction honor roll and a member of the National Honor Society. Emilyn plays on the Norwell varsity golf team and has been a mentor for the Junior Indiana Master Naturalist Camp at Ouabache State Park.



She plans to graduate with academic honors, go to college for computer science, and become a software architect.

Joshua Hon

Joshua is a junior at Bluffton High School and the son of Thomas and Gina Hon. He plays on the Bluffton basketball team, attends Waynedale Baptist Church and works at Star Engineering.



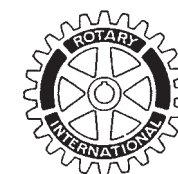
Joshua plans to attend college for a bachelor's degree and work as an engineer.

Addison Keller

Addison is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Mitchell Keller and Candace Keller. She is on the honor roll, was in the Student Spotlight for business, plays on the basketball, softball, and golf teams, and plays travel softball for DC Storm.



Addison plans to attend college to earn a degree in business.



Ella Lahr

Ella is a junior at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Tony and Nicole Lahr. She is on the honor roll, received the 10th grade Top Student Award, Outstanding Academic Excellence awards in algebra II and Spanish II, and the Accounting Brainiac Award. Ella participates in BPA, Spanish Club, Media Club, volleyball, and cross country. She is a member of 4-H, attends youth group and participates in her church praise band.



Ella plans to attend a four year college to earn a bachelor's degree in elementary education and teach kindergarten, first, or second grade.

Nevada Lenwell

Nevada is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Adam Lenwell and Jennifer Koop. She is a member of the National Honor Society, has been on the distinction honor roll throughout high school, and received a Student Spotlight Award for the business department.



Nevada plays softball and golf and participated in the Riley Dance Marathon. She plans to attend college to major in business or finance.

Tessa Maul

Tessa is a junior at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Christopher and Katrina Maul. She is on the honor roll and has perfect attendance, she participates in band, Sunshine Society, Bible study, and is a camp counselor.



Tessa would like to graduate with an honors diploma and pursue a degree in children's ministry while continuing to be a camp counselor and Bible study teacher.

Ali Riley

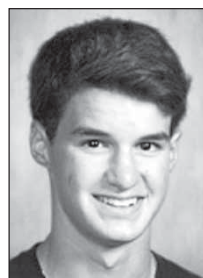
Ali is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Rob and Kandi Riley. She has been on distinction and honor roll for the past two years, participates on the golf, basketball, and track teams, and attends youth group at Tower Life Center.



Ali plans to attend college and get a four-year degree in animal science and become a veterinary technician.

Elija Robles

Elija is a junior at Bluffton High School and the son of Joshua and Nikole Robles. He is a member of the National Honor Society, on the high honor roll and a Tiger Scholar athlete. He is on the cross-country, swimming, diving, and track teams, and the Wells Community Swim team.



Elija plans to attend college to study in the medical field and ultimately become a doctor.

Cade Shelton

Cade is a junior at Norwell High School and the son of Jeff and Jill Shelton. His awards include 2022 All State Football, 2021-22 First Team All-Conference NE8 in football, and 2021-22 First Team All-Conference NE8 in baseball. In addition to football and baseball, Cade also plays on the varsity basketball team at Norwell.



He has been to Jamaica on a mission trip, attends church camp with Hope Missionary Church, attends Campus Life, and is an 8-year member of 4-H in swine.

Cade plans to go to earn a degree in agribusiness at Purdue or Huntington University.

Drew Thomas

Drew is a junior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Matt and Rachel Thomas. She is on the distinction honor roll, is a member of the National Honor Society, and plays basketball at Norwell.



Drew participates in Indiana High School Rodeo where she serves as student secretary, was a finals qualifier at the National High School Rodeo in barrel racing, reserve barrel racing champion, and was the 2022 Smarty Young Pro.

Drew plans to attend a four year college and participate in college rodeo, she is undecided about her career choice.

Seniors

Isabel Battiste

Isabel is a senior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Jerry and Mary Battiste. She is on the honor roll and the distinction honor roll and has been a member of The Riley Dance Marathon Committee for two years.



Isabel plans to attend Daytona State College for a business operations certificate and start a dog grooming and boarding business.

Emma Baumgartner

Emma is a senior at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Phil and Tina Baumgartner. She is a member of the National Honor Society, is on the high honor roll, has received the Mental Attitude Award for volleyball, and a female weightlifting award. She serves on the student council where she received a Step it Up Award.



Emma also plays tennis, volunteers for Tiger Spikers volleyball, and is assistant coach for Decatur Force Volleyball Club.

She plans to serve in the Army National Guard after graduation and then attend college to major in forensic psychology.

Samuel Baumgartner

Samuel is a senior at Bluffton High School and the son of Tad and Stephanie Baumgartner. He is a member of the National Honor Society, received most improved and a mental attitude awards in cross country, an ACAC First Team All-Conference, ACAC Cross Country Champion, Semi-State Qualifier, and sectional champion in cross country, ACAC Track and Field champ, Second Team All-Conference, and regional qualifier in track.



Samuel also plays basketball, has served on the student council for four years, is a member of BPA, Campus Life, and attends youth group at church.

He plans to earn a bachelor's degree in business management at Purdue University.

Karlie Brown

Karlie is a senior at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Donald and Mary Brown. She is on the high honor roll, is a member of the National Honor Society, serves as student council secretary, and earned a mental attitude award for cheerleading. Karlie is a 4-H Senior Ambassador, received a senior showmanship award for llama and alpaca, was Miss Teen Wells County in 2021, and Indiana State Fair Dance, Twirl, Strut, and 2-Baton champion.



She is a member of the Rising Stars Twirling Academy and serves as assistant coach for the Mini Stars Twirling Parade Group. Karlie is also on the tennis team, participates in the concert and colla voce choirs, and Students for Christ.

She plans to attend Ball State in the fall to major in psychology and work as a mental health counselor.

Brason Chaney

Brason is a senior at Norwell High School and the son of Tony and Angie Chaney. He is a member of the National Honor Society, plays tennis for Norwell earning Most Valuable Player, NE8 all conference tennis, and placed first in the DeKalb Invitational doubles.



Brason is also on the basketball team, attends Youth for Christ, and iTown Church. He volunteers for Riley Children's Hospital, Forgotten Children Worldwide, Helping Hands, Bluffton Foster Care, Dream Center, and Right to Life. He was on the Norwell principal interview committee and has interned with Brotherhood Mutual Insurance and Zurcher Tire.

Brason plans to continue his education at Indiana Wesleyan University or Ball State and pursue a double major in business administration and economics with a minor in marketing.

Kaylee Fisher

Kaylee is a senior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Stacey and Melissa Fisher. She is on the distinction honor roll, was in the student spotlight for ICE, and an internship spotlight. She is on the soccer team, and participates in Campus Life and 4-H.



Kaylee volunteers for Operation Christmas Child and Angel Tree. She plans to attend college to earn a degree in veterinarian nursing and hopefully come back home to work at the Bluffton Animal Clinic.

Erica Hartman

Erica is a senior at Bluffton High School and the daughter of Kevin and Erin Hartman. She is on the high honor roll and has received a Top Tiger Award. She participates in choir, Drama Club, Students Making a Difference, Book Review Club, and Beyond Club.



Erica plans to attend college to earn a bachelor's degree in graphic design and work as a graphic designer or layout artist.

Levi Kahn

Levi is a senior at Bluffton High School and the son of Adam and Josey Kahn. He is on the wrestling team at Bluffton, participates on the Campus Life Leadership Team, and the Life Community Church High School Leadership Team.



Levi plans to attend Ivy Tech and pursue an aviation maintenance career.

Eve McElhaney

Eve is a senior at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Brady and Gwen McElhaney. She received the College Board National Rural and Small Town Excellent Academic Achievement Award, and the Top Student Award in 2021 and 2022.

She is on the volleyball and track teams, a member of FFA, and the biology and Spanish clubs. Eve volunteers for the backpack program and participates in the scrapbook club for FFA.



She plans to attend the honors program at Indiana State University and earn a bachelor's degree.

Ean McIntosh

Ean is a senior at Norwell High School and the son of Dylan and April McIntosh. He is a member of the National Honor Society, the Norwell soccer team, show choir and Knight Moves. He has been a cast member in Norwell's productions of *Puffs*, *I Never Saw Another Butterfly*, *Curious Incident of The Dog In The Nighttime*, and will be performing in *The Addams Family Musical* in the spring. Ean also was a cast member in *Of Sound Mind* at the Pulse Opera House in Warren.



He is pursuing a bachelor's degree in theatre and plans to advance his skills in acting and performing on stage, and ultimately perform, direct, and teach theatre arts.

Katelyn McMillan

Katelyn is a senior at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Aaron and Paula McMillan. She is the 2023 Wells County Lilly Endowment Community Scholarship recipient, she earned Hoosier FFA degree, won Master Sheep Showman in 4-H, and was crowned the 2022 Indiana Duroc Queen. Katelyn has been on the honor roll every semester, she participates in Spanish Club, is on the track team, and is a member of the National Honor Society.



In FFA she has held the offices of reporter and president, and competed in numerous leadership and career development events, she currently serves as district six president, and is on the Indiana FFA Executive Committee. Katelyn attends youth group, volunteers for the Wells County Backpack Program and the Warren Food Pantry. She shows sheep, goats, and pigs, and serves as a Junior 4-H Leader.

She plans to attend Purdue University and major in agronomy with a minor in horticulture.

Grace Mitchell

Grace is a senior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Matt and Holly Mitchell. She has received a leadership award, a Navy and Gold Award, honorable mention for NE8 volleyball conference, and student spotlight for business.

Grace participates in Campus Life, plays volleyball for Norwell and Summit City Wave. She attends Hope Missionary Church where she is on the worship team, plays in the youth band, teaches Sunday school, attends youth group, and is on the Leadership Team.



Grace plans to go to college to major in accounting.

Emma Page

Emma is a senior at Norwell High School and the daughter of Sean Page and Shawn Page. She is on the distinction honor roll and was invited to a distinction dinner at Norwell. She serves



on the student council, was chair of the Valentine's Day committee, is the captain of the swim team, and volunteers at Helping Hands.

Emma works at Learning Tree Academy and Childcare and plans to attend University of Southern Indiana to major in elementary education and would like to look into teaching at a Title One school or becoming a school administrator.

Kailey Reed

Kailey is a senior at Southern Wells High School and the daughter of Tim and Kendra Reed.

She is a member of the National Honor Society, has received a Junior Citizenship Award, and is currently serving as BPA president. Kailey participates in band, Concessions Club, and Sunshine Club.

She plans to attend Ball State to earn a degree in accounting.



Logan Taylor

Logan is a senior at Norwell High School and the son of Michael and Rise Taylor. He is on the distinction honor roll, a member of the National Honor Society, was named a Rising Star of Indiana, and Intern of the Week. He is on the tennis team, works with the YMCA Dream Team, is a member of the Down Syndrome Association of Northeast Indiana, and attends Bethlehem Lutheran Church.



Logan plans to earn a master's degree in engineering from Purdue University.

Jared White

Jared is a senior at Norwell High School and the son of Jason White and Jesse White. He received a National Merit Scholarship Program letter of recommendation, is a member of the National Honor Society, Norwell bands, and The Blue Stars Drum and Bugle Corps.

Jared would like to receive a degree in communications at Purdue University and pursue a career in the film industry.





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