



ENDING ANOTHER YEAR

**SUPERINTENDENT
STEPHEN L. PAGE**

We have had another very successful school year in

Henderson County. Seven hundred and ninety-two seniors have now joined the ranks of graduates. Most will go on to post secondary schooling; but some will join the military. Academically our students are high performing. Our SAT scores continue to rise and are the 4th highest of 117 school systems in North Carolina. In athletics we have earned State Championships in Track, Tennis, Volleyball, and Wrestling. With respect to team sports, Henderson County has earned 15 State Championships since 1975, competing in 20 title games. This is the most of any county in the state.

Our arts programs continue to perform at a high level with numerous recognitions. One of our high school band programs even received national recognition in Boston, Massachusetts this spring. Our two high school JROTC programs have also been award winning; and, after years of applying, we have been notified that a third high school will have a program for the 2006-2007 school year. We now have 14% of our teachers holding National Board Certification. The list of personal accolades for students, teachers, and staff is too voluminous to list here, but we have taken the time to celebrate each of their accomplishments at our monthly Board of Education meetings.

There will only be eleven weeks of summer vacation this year as compared to thirteen weeks in 2005. Please make the best of this time. It is critical that students stay academically engaged over the summer. Encourage your children to read and write, and make sure they have an ample supply of quality reading material available. The best way to become an accomplished reader is to read. The same is true for writing.

We will be building a totally new elementary school and renovating other buildings this coming year. We continue to work to provide a safe and inviting atmosphere conducive to learning. Remember that school will start for Flex Schedule students on Tuesday, July 11, and for Traditional Schedule students on Friday, August 25. Have a safe and enjoyable summer!

SECOND ANNUAL ACADEMIC BANQUET RECOGNIZING ACADEMIC EXCELLENCE

The 2nd Annual Academic Banquet, Recognizing Academic Excellence, was held on Monday, May 15, at the Christian Life Center of the First United Methodist Church of Hendersonville, sponsored by the Henderson County Board of Public Education. The top fifteen students from each of the four high schools were recognized. The parents of these 60 academic scholars were present to share in the occasion. Board members, Central Office Administrative Staff, High School Principals, Senior Counselors, Henderson County Commissioners and Mayor Greg Newman also attended the banquet.

Mary Lou West, the HCPS 2006 Teacher of the Year, was the guest speaker. HCPS Strings Teachers Pat Johnston, Margery Kowal, Andrea Laughter and Ginger Kowal (guest musician) provided special music. The Child Nutrition Department catered the meal. The East High School Culinary Arts Class, the West High School Key Club, and the West High School National Honor participated in the banquet as servers.

The top 15 scholars from each high school are:

East Henderson High School – Ryan Gregory Ayles, Helen J. Glenn, Holly Magalie Harrington, Jordan Gwyn Head, Ryan Thomas Howell, Lindsey Myles Jackson, Gregory Keith Jones, Kalie Brooke Medford, Jennifer Nicole Moffitt, Amanda Leslie Morley, Ian Edward Murdoch, Andrew Michael Newman, Timothy Scott Nichols, Carmen Suzanne Peek, and Maria Sandra Zavala.

Hendersonville High School – Ahamad Mohamid Abuadas, Patrick James Boleman, Shelley Jeanette Briggs, Hannah Stuart Fritschner, Ben Carey Goodwin, Anna Mary Klein, Jeanne-Marie Laborde, Kaleigh Rochelle Lindeman, Daniel Bruce McNeal, Elliott Brian Maurer, Isaac Killian Neill, Susan Angela Ramer, Kristen Amy Stepp, Sally Jeanne Sullivan, and Jake E. Walgenbach.

North Henderson High School – Chad Trevor Anderson, Tom Alan Carnot, Carrie Rebecca Conner, Juana Diaz, Haley June Donaldson, James Robert Gibbs, Lucy Anne Sladky Hillman, James Alan Justus, Justin Dale Lamb, Jamie Marie Lillard, Nancy Renee Lloyd, Itzel Palacios, Alex Leigh Ploenes, Francisco Javier Rodriguez, and Justin David Shrader.

West Henderson High School – Meg Elizabeth Albea, Maddison Noelle Almond, Kevin Thomas Bates, Caroline Gustafson Davis, Taylor Leigh Davis, Christopher Nelson Ellis, Jamie Walker Gorsuch, Philip Jeffrey Heebner, James Cody Owen, Vanessa Renee Price, Mark Joseph Roloff, Amanda Marie Ross, Allison Rebecca Ruhe, Christopher Radcliff Turlington, and Kelsey Dawn Warner.

**2006-2007 HCPS
TEACHER OF THE YEAR**

**MARY LOU WEST
NORTH HENDERSON HIGH**



**2006-2007
TEACHERS OF THE YEAR**



- DAVID MAINS**, Apple Valley Middle
- ANGELA DEATLINE**, Atkinson Elementary
- MARY BONNETT**, Balfour Education Center
- STEPHANIE GOOD**, Bruce Drysdale Elementary
- ANITA WOODS**, Clear Creek Elementary
- JUDY ROSE**, Dana Elementary
- SEAN SMITH**, East Henderson High
- CANDI MAINS**, Edneyville Elementary
- LYNNE FENDER**, Etowah Elementary
- KIMBERLY SABATO**, Flat Rock Middle
- BEVERLY DANIELSON**, Fletcher Elementary
- NATALIE STILES**, Glenn C. Marlow Elementary
- LINDA ROGERS**, Hendersonville Elementary
- TODD WEAKLEY**, Hendersonville High
- KELLY PRATT**, Hendersonville Middle
- ANNE OGBURN**, Hillandale Elementary
- AUDREY RENEAU**, Mills River Elementary
- MARY LOU WEST**, North Henderson High
- LYNN PRICE**, Rugby Middle
- MARCIE BURLETT**, Upward Elementary
- LYNN METCALE**, West Henderson High

IN THE NEWS

WAL-MART TEACHER OF THE YEAR

Beverly Danielson, a second grade teacher at Fletcher Elementary School, has been named Teacher of the Year by the Hendersonville Wal-Mart store. The award was given as part of Teacher's Day, which is Tuesday, May 9th. Danielson received a \$1,000 grant for the school, a \$100 gift card to buy supplies for her classroom, a Teacher of the Year polo shirt, and a personalized certificate. Snacks were brought by the Wal-mart representatives for the class to enjoy.

244 NORTH CAROLINA SCHOLARS

Two-hundred forty-four HCPS high school senior were recognized on May 24th at the 22nd North Carolina Scholars Luncheon. The Henderson County Chamber of Commerce sponsored the event that honors graduating seniors as North Carolina Scholars. To be named a North Carolina Scholar, a student must meet grade-point average criteria in core curriculum classes, with a focus on math and science. Students were recognized by their school principals and received a gift bag of donated items from sponsoring Chamber members along with a N.C. Scholar lapel pin acknowledging their achievements.

The Scholars are:

- From East Henderson– Brianne Nicole Aldridge, Luke Anthony Allison, Ryan Gregory Ayes, Amber Brooke Ballard, Ryan Matthew Barger, Christian Lee Bell, Bradley Daniel Benavides, Sean Antonio Benavides, Heather Bishop, Lauren Adele Bishop, Heather C. Brackett, Cynthia V. Brodowska, Erin Darnelle Brown, Lindsey Anne Burgess, Kiley Diane Camp, Laura Michelle Chase, Kristy Marie Davis, Julia Marie DeMaio, Anna Marie Entwistle, Kristen Marie Fischer, Sean Michael Gallagher, Damaris Sulem Garcia, Helen Jordan Glenn, Nubia A. Guido, Ashley Nicole Hall, Holly Magalie Harrington, Christopher K. Harris, Jordan Gwyn Head, Amanda Rhea Hill, Dru Alisse Hill, Justin Shane Hill, Jacob Dwayne Holbert, Ryan Thomas Howell, Addie C. Huggins, Joshua Alan Hurley, Lindsey Myles Jackson, Erin Nicole Jernigan, Adam Paul Johnson, Jenna Lynn Johnson, Gregory Keith Jones, Shawn Thomas Jones, M. Whittany Justus, Lindsey Renee Land, Martin Robert Lange, Amber Michelle Ledbetter, Ashley Nichole Lowry, Sarah Palmer McCoy, Gavin Taylor McDuff, Ian William McKay, Kalie Brooke Medford, Bertha C. Medina, Jennifer N. Moffitt, Amanda Leslie Morley, Ian Edward Murdoch, Andrew Michael Newman, Timothy Scott Nichols, Erik Grant Oler, Caleb Gikai Pan, John Clarke Pannell, Carmen S. Peek, David Van Perryman, Jr., Savannah Dawn Pitcock, Emily Polly Price, Samantha

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Lee Ragland, Andrea Cleo Ramsey, Lauren Taylor Robison, Cady Rose Russell, Melanie Kate Sexton, Ashley L. Sizemore, Karl Hunter Standish, Mary Bethany Summey, Amanda Kristen Todd, Dora Miranda Van Arsdale, Anna Joy Walbart, Heather Nicole Walbart, Jon Robert Ward, Timothy P. Wemple, Jr., Megan Leshea Whitaker, and Maria Sandra Zavala.

From Hendersonville—Ahamad M. Abuadas, Jessica J. Arriaga, Sydney K. Bailey, Rebecca A. Baugnon, Patrick J. Boleman, Shelley J. Briggs, Matthew S. Crane, Jessica A. Eblen, Ashley L. Eisenhauer, Hannah S. Fritschner, Benjamin C. Goodwin, Heather N. Hall, Robbie L. Hall, Alicia Hutchison, Garielle G. Jones, Tyler D. Jones, John B. Judge, Jared D. Keenan, Tyler M. Kilpatrick, Anna M. Klein, Jeanne-Marie Laborde, Miguel A. Lilly, Kaleigh R. Lindeman, Greta M. Manning, Elliott B. Maurer, Lauren A. McLeod, Daniel B. McNeal, Barbara M. Moore, Isaac K. Neill, Daniel O. Nisbet, Courtney M. Nordyke, Luis E. Paniagua, Susan Angela Ramer, Juan David Ricker, Kristen Amy Stepp, Sally J. Sullivan, Jacob E. Walgenbach, and David M. Walker.

From North Henderson—Chad Anderson, Jill Ayscue, Sarah Barron, Sean Brooks, Tom Carnot, Brittany Carter, Christina Chavez, Justin Clayton, Carrie Conner, Hillary Corn, Jackie Corn, Amanda Cox, Randall Cox, Juana Diaz, Haley Donaldson, Mike Dowling, Nick Eddy, James Gibbs, William Hardin, Tana Hill, Lucy Hillman, Jamie Justus, Mike Kanupp, Josh Kingry, Justin Lamb, Colby Lanning, Jamie Lillard, Nancy Lloyd, James Marshall, Melody McDaniel, Jason Niehoff, Wayne Nock, Michael Player, Alex Ploenes, Mike Polk, Maria Powers, Angeles Ramirez, Francisco Rodriguez, Justin Shrader, Amy Sweezy, Claudia Tamayo, Elizabeth Tomás, Brett Williams, and Katie Zepeta.

From West Henderson—Megan Albea, Maddison Almond, Mark Baity, Kevin Bates, Justin Bledsoe, Colby Britt, Kyle Britt, Ashley Bryson, Heather Capps, Kelly Carter, Noah Carter, Alex Chapman, Allison Cheadle, Emily Clark, Angela Clemens, Chase Condon, Shanna Cope, Kristina Crawford, Caroline Davis, Taylor Davis, Tiffany Davis, Ashley Dinardo, Greg Dotson, Adrienne Ducker, Chris Ellis, Natalie Ernst, Katie Facciola, Lauren Ficker, Aubrey Foss, Mark Garrison, Jamie Gorsuch, Haley Harris, Phillip Heebner, Kristen Hill, David Holden, Brittney Holder, Bridget Holliday, Brooke Holliday, Kalynn Hubbard, Lauren Hysong, Stephen Johnson, Daniel Kimzey, Joshua Kirbo, Irina Kuznetsov, Alisha Lafontaine, Megan Ledford, Taylor McLennan, Jacob McMinn, Ashley Merrill, Krystle Minesinger, Hannah Morrison, Maxine Mueller, Jacob Mull, Duncan Murphy, Megan O'Briant, Cody Owen, Whitney Petrie, Evan Pilot, Joseph Prebianca, Andrew Pressley, Vanessa Price, Tarah Pridmore, Coren Reynolds, Katherine Rhodes, Joshua Robinson, Mark Roloff, Amanda Ross, Allison Ruhe, Chelsea Shew, Ryan Sims, Scott Sloop, Tony Smith, Myroslava Sokyra, Tonya Sparks, Laura Stepp, Chris Turlington, Kelsey Warner, Eric Warren, Tonya Warren, Dustin Whitaker, Amanda Wilkinson, Bonnie Wilson, Kayla Yingst, and Tonya Young.

106 CAREER-TECHNICAL EDUCATION SCHOLARS

One hundred six HCPS Career-Technical Education (CTE) Scholars were recognized on May 19 at Blue Ridge Community College. East Henderson High School's Orchestra provided music during a reception. Superintendent Stephen L. Page and Board Chairperson Ervin W. Bazzle were the speakers. CTE Scholars were presented certificates and honor cords.

A CTE Scholar must have a 3.25 GPS in all CTE courses taken and a 3.00 GPA cumulative overall (unweighted). The 2005-2006 CTE Scholars are: Ahamad Abuadas, Brianne Aldridge, Luke Allison, Joseph Armstrong, Jessica Arriaga, Brooke Ashley, Lacie Baker, Katey Ballard, Ryan Barger, Joshua Bartlebaugh, Melisa Behringer, Stephanie Behringer, Heather Bishop, Jessica Bradburn, Cecilia Brennan, Ashley Bryson, Lindsey Burgess, Julia Calton, Brittany Carter, Noel Carter, Katie Cawthorn, Justin Clayton, Bradley Cole, Josh Connor, Shanna Cope, Tiffany Davis, Vanessa Davis, Kayla Donaldson, Adrienne Ducker, Nick Eddy, Catherine Fares, Stephanie Fyfe, Sean Gallagher, David Garren, Jamie Gasperson, Sarah Hamill, Amanda Hill, Jessica Hill, Justin Hill, Kristen Hill, Jacob Holbert, David Holden, Brittney Holder, Bridget Holliday, Brooke Holliday, Ryan Howell, Joshua Hurley, Alicia Hutchison, Lauren Hysong, Erin Jernigan, Anthony Johnson, Kelli Johnson, Brittany Jones, Garielle Jones, Shawn Jones, John Judge, IV, Josh Kirbo, Alisha LaFontaine, Marty Lange, Colby Lanning, Andrew Lynch, Kelly Joy Massagee, Courtney Maybin, Melody McDaniel, Gavin McDuff, Jacob McMinn, Kalie Medford, Barbara Moore, Andrew Newman, Amanda Noble, Jenielle Norman, Erik Oler, Morgan O'Rourke, James Pace, Maggie Pace, Caleb Pan, Luis Paniagua, Paula Anahi Perez, David Perryman, Michael Player, Tarah Pridmore, Jay Pryor, Amanda Roberts, Cody Rogers, Cynthia Romstadt, Josh Ruff, Andrew Rush, Cady Russell, Armelja Sanxhaku, Mandy Shealy, Lacey Silcox, Amber Smith, Tonya Sparks, Karl Standish, Jennifer Sullivan, Amy Sweezy, Brooke Taylor, Gerhard VanGraan, Jon Ward, Tara Ward, Travis Warren, Dustin Whitaker, Jessica Wright, Kristan Young, Tonya Young, and Marissa Zepeta.

STUDENT AND STAFF RECOGNITIONS

2006 GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL EAST ATTENDEE:

Benjamin J. Phillis, Hendersonville High, Social Science

2006 GOVERNOR'S SCHOOL WEST ATTENDEES:

Stephanie M. Benson (East Henderson High) - Choral Music
Louis C. Dalrymple (East Henderson High) - Instrumental Music
Michael L. Aburey (West Henderson High) - Mathematics
Logan M. Brackett (North Henderson High) - Mathematics
Emily R. Tripp (East Henderson High) - Mathematics
Bennett H. Gale (Hendersonville High) - Mathematics
Reed T. Weatherill (Hendersonville High) - Spanish

2006 NORTH CAROLINA TEACHING FELLOWS RECIPIENTS:

Amber Ballard (East High); **Kristen Fischer** (East High); **Sarah McCoy** (East High); **Wayne Nock** (North High); **Vanessa Price** (West High); **Kelsey Warner** (West High); **Shelley Briggs** (Hendersonville High); **Benjamin Goodwin** (Hendersonville High). Alternates - **Samantha Ragland** (East High) and **Megan Whitaker** (East High)

STATE TITLE WINNERS

David Walker (Hendersonville High) – 1A individual champion Discus, throw of 141 feet.

Lindsey Pate (West High) – 2-A Discus title champion, throw of 114 feet, two inches; second consecutive year of holding this title.

Brittany Fennell (West High) – 400 Dash state 2-A title, time of 57.57; broke the school's record.

West High's 1600 Relay Team - **Marvin Reed**, **Chase Condon**, **Mark Baity**, and **Jake Goodchild** – 2-A state title.

Wesley Garren (East High) – state 2-A title Pole Vault, school record jump of 14 feet 1 inch.

Erin Rhol (East High) – one of 15 students from North Carolina to be named a recipient of the UNC-Chapel Hill's third annual Carolina Award for Outstanding Achievement in Science.

MORE RECOGNITIONS

Patrick Jennings (Mills River Elementary) and **John Thach** (Bruce Drysdale) – Level I state finalists in the Letters About Literature contest.

Taylor Courier (Hendersonville High) competed in the North Carolina State Science Fair and received the Naval Science Award from the Office of Naval Research and \$75, an Above and Beyond Award and an Honorable Mention in the Senior Physical Science Division. He will participate in the International Science and Engineering Fair.

Henderson County Girl Scout Troop #407 (**Avery Blatt, Rachel Crisp, Daphne Crowell, Sarah Gibbs, Amy Heatherly, Shelby Huntley, Desiree Rasheed, Brittany Waters**) – Silver Award for project, “Don’t Throw Trash Out the Window”.

James Walker Gorsuch (West High) – National Merit Finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Program.

Sally Jeanne Sullivan (Hendersonville High) – National Merit Scholarship Corporation from ArvinMeritor, Inc. Trust.

Kaitlyn Henderson (East High) – American Vision National winner.

All-State Band students: from Hendersonville High - **James Cole** (French Horn), **Roger Duckett** (Timpani), and **Drew Prichard** (Tuba, 1st chair); from East High - **Ian Poole** (Tuba, 1st chair), **Josh Edwards** (Clarinet), and **Julia DeMaio** (Trumpet).

East High Air Force JROTC Cadets **Austin Froidcoeur, Priscilla Warren, and Karen Escobar** – selected to attend honors camp.

East High Air Force JROTC – 2005-2006 Distinguished Unit Award.

Tequia Clark (East High) – the 2006 North Carolina Youth of the Year for Boys & Girls Clubs.

Lauren Bice (Glenn C. Marlow) 1– winner of the North Carolina State Poster Contest.

Rebecca Perez Taylor (Glenn C. Marlow) – 3rd place countywide in HCEF Bookmark Contest.

Sarah Lilly (East High) – Arts Council of Henderson County Artists of Tomorrow BEST IN SHOW for her painting.

Students from several HCPS schools performed in the production PINOCCHIO at the Diana Wortham Theatre in Asheville on May 29th. This play was selected to represent our area in the annual statewide Stoneleaf Theatre Festival coordinated by the North Carolina Theatre Conference. Students performing were **Maria Katsadouros** (Hendersonville High), **Jesse Siak** (East High), **Tucker Shelton** (Hendersonville High), **Chris Bakke** (Hendersonville High), **Turner Rouse** (Hendersonville High), **Kyle Keith** (Hendersonville High), **Lauren Williams** (Hendersonville High), **Alex Foote** (West High),

Mary Wiedel (Rugby), **Chandler Smith** (Flat Rock), **Natalie Nock** (Apple Valley), **Isabella Gates** (Flat Rock), **Alex Hammond** (Flat Rock), **Maren McGlashan** (Hendersonville High), **Wendy Lawrence** (Bruce Drysdale), and **Olivia Palmer** (Hendersonville Middle).

Winners in the Air Quality Control contest: **Kady Graham** (Apple Valley)-2nd Place/Model; **Jaehye Yoo, Ashley Wilson** (Apple Valley)-3rd Place/Poster; **Holly Blackwell, Raven Martin** (Apple Valley)-2nd Place/PowerPoint; **Jordan Morgan** (Rugby)-2nd Place/Movie; **Haley Cole, Bret Sweat** (Rugby)-1st Place/Poster; **Kari Cochran** (Rugby)-1st Place/Newspaper; **Brooke Freeman** (Rugby) -2nd Place/Collage; **Ryan Payne** (Rugby)-1st Place/Poem; **Ashley Ball** (Rugby)-2nd Place/Poem; and **Autumn Conner, Ashley Rogers** (Rugby)-1st Place/PowerPoint.

Stephanie Earle (Rugby) – winner in the Over the Influence Art Contest; her logo will be printed on 3,000 T-shirts; **Amanda Robinson** (Hendersonville Middle) and **Katie Huntley** (Rugby) tied for 2nd place.

Winners of 14th Annual Playwriting Contest sponsored by Flat Rock Playhouse: High School Division – **Alex Foote** (West High) and **Brian Rose** (West High); Middle School Division – **Olivia Palmer** (Hendersonville Middle); second place winners – **Jesse Siak** (East High) and **Ashley Ball** (Rugby).

Etowah Elementary and Flat Rock Middle Schools – awarded Academic Excellence Awards for meeting the high growth standards under the state’s ABCs accountability program for nine consecutive years by the North Carolina Association of School Administrators (NCASA). Etowah was one of 23 elementary schools and Flat Rock one of 5 middle schools across the state to receive this honor.

Upward Elementary – HP Technology for Teaching Grant finalist.

Brenda Gorsuch (West High) – one of 6 people across the U.S. to be presented with the Gold Key of the Columbia Scholastic Press Association (the organization’s highest honor).

B.J. Laughter (Hendersonville High) – selected by North Carolina High School Athletic Association as one of eight honorees to receive the Homer Thompson Memorial Eight Who Make a Difference Award.

Angie Soares (Mills River) – received a \$2,000 grant from Alpha Delta Kappa (an international honorary sorority for women educators).

MSgt. Joseph Froidcoeur and Lt. Col. Rod Clark (East High) – Air Force JROTC Instructors of the Year.

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