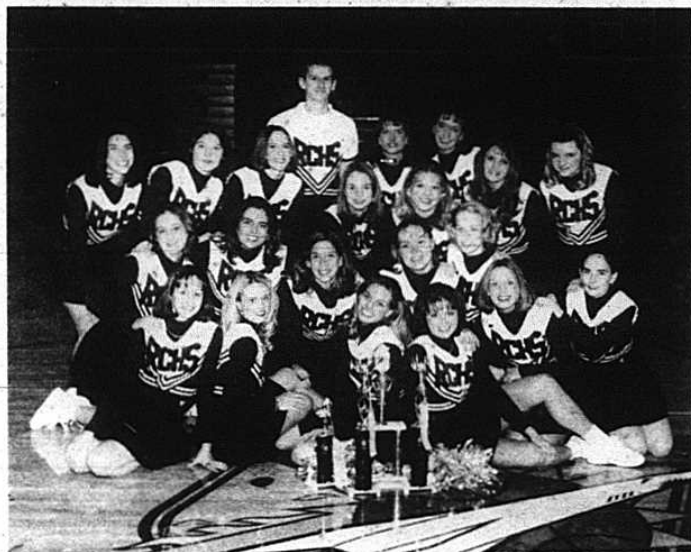


## Cheerleaders place fourth in state



The RCHS cheerleading squad took home the top awards at Districts and Region this year, coming away with first place at both. They placed fourth in the state on March 18 as well. The cheerleaders are: (first row) Elizabeth Matekovich, Kisha Saylor, Erica Kirby, Angela Owens, Crystal Mink, and Natalie Taylor. (second row) Emily Wright, Ladonya Mink, Tara Burton, Debbie Spencer, and Jennifer Carmack. (third row) Chelsen Stratton, Marie Collins, Stormie Ambrose, John Hankins, Cathie Midkiff, Vanessa Childress, Jessica Jones, Brittany Asher, Leslie Saylor, and Ashley Miller. The coach is Ms. Rhonda Rose.

## What is Transitions anyway?

by Jennifer Thompson

If you are not a senior, you have probably wondered, "What is Transitions? Why do we have it?" Before taking this class, I asked myself the same questions.

Transitions is a new class required of all seniors. Its purpose is to provide students with the skills essential for the successful transition into life after high school.

Mrs. Jennifer Mattingly, who teaches two sections of Transitions, explained, "We focus on careers, setting goals, communication skills, money management, and several other aspects of everyday life."

The first few weeks of class are devoted to doing activities to help students decide what career fields they are interested in. Once you've chosen a career, you have the chance to research it through job shadowing and other activities.

Students must also complete ten hours of job shadowing and fifteen hours of community service by the end of the semester.

Mrs. Mattingly believes it's important for students to get out into the community.

"I offer job shadowing so that students have an opportunity to spend a day in the field that they are interested in and see how they like it."

Students must also complete a senior project. This is something the student must create on their own.

For example, Darin Poynter designed his own web page, using HTML. He says, "My senior project helped me learn something I can use later on in life, but not as a senior."

The senior projects are scored by a committee.

Students also have to design a career portfolio, which includes a personal resume.

The senior project and career portfolio are both required to graduate.

After seniors complete this class, hopefully the transition from high school will be much easier.

## 2000-2001 Cheerleading Tryouts

### Clinic Dates:

Monday, April 17  
Wednesday, April 19  
Thursday, April 20  
Monday, April 24  
Tuesday, April 25  
Wednesday, April 26  
3:15-5:00 each day



### Tryouts:

Thursday, April 27  
3:30-?

**Good Luck!!!**

## RCHS rifle team earns trip to Nationals

The Rockcastle County High School Rifle Team defeated the top five teams in the state and earning the privilege of representing the state of Kentucky in the National Rifle Team Championships in Atlanta, Georgia.

The team fired an all-time high team score of 2,036 in the preliminary competition held Saturday, March 25.

Individual scores were: Tami

Taylor, 536, High Individual; Shannon Bullock, 513, 2nd Place Individual; Johnathan Noe, 496, 4th Place Individual; Joe Clark, 491, 5th Place Individual.

Other members of the Rifle Team are: Tim Tyler, Chris Kirby, Jeff Smith, Jason Martin, Cole Hammond, and Ronald Willey.

All members will be traveling to Atlanta in June.

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