

Offutt named National Award winner & All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Brittany Renee Offutt of Mt. Vernon has been named a United States National Award Winner in Science and Cheerleading.

This award is a prestigious honor very few students can ever hope to attain. In fact, the Academy recognizes fewer than 10% of all American high school students.

Brittany, who attends Rockcastle County Middle School, was nominated for this national award by Ms. Coffey, a teacher, and Miss Nicely, a sponsor at the school.

Brittany will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

The Academy would also like to announce that Brittany has been named an All-American Scholar.

The USAA has established the All-American Scholar Award Program to offer deserved recognition to superior students who excel in the academic disciplines. The All-American Scholars must earn a 3.3, or higher, grand point average. Only Scholars selected by a school instructor, counselor or other qualified sponsor are accepted. These scholars are also eligible for other awards given by the USAA.

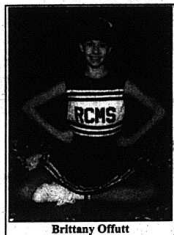
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winners should be congratulated and appreciated for their dedication to excellence and achievement," said Dr. George Stevens, Executive Director of the United States Achievement Academy.

The Academy selects USAA winners and All-American Scholars upon the exclusion recommendation of teachers, coaches, counselors, and other qualified sponsors and upon the Standards of Selection set forth by the Academy. The criteria for selection are a student's academic performance, interest and aptitude, leadership qualities, responsibility, enthusiasm, motivation to learn and improve, citizenship, attitude and cooperative spirit, dependability and recommendation from a teacher or director.

Brittany is the daughter of Danny and Cyndie Offutt and the granddaughter of Raymond and Margaret Offutt and Rose Taylor, all of Mt. Vernon.



Brittany Offutt

Miller named National Award winner & All-American Scholar

The United States Achievement Academy announced today that Heather Miller of Mt. Vernon, has been named a United States National Award Winner in Science.

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Heather, who attends Rockcastle County Middle School, was nominated for this national award by Ms. Coffey, a teacher at the school.

Heather will appear in the United States Achievement Academy Official Yearbook, which is published nationally.

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We're proud of you
Heather Miller,
Love - Mom, Dad,
Amanda & Joshua

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Heather is the daughter of Dale and Marlene Miller of Mt. Vernon and the granddaughter of Carolyn Brandenburg of Mt. Vernon, Gene Mays of McKee and Leonard and Louella Miller of Mt. Vernon. She is the great granddaughter of Velma Marcum of McKee.

Rockcastle County Middle School School-based decision making: a parent's role:

School-based decision making was created in 1990 to involve teachers, parents, and principals in the process of helping all students reach higher standards of achievement. School councils have legal authority to make important decisions about teaching and learning in their own schools.

This opportunity for parents to be key decision-makers in schools is unique in the nation. No other state requires virtually all schools to have councils with parents as full members and with legal decision-making authority.

Parents should:

VOTE - in school council elections.

RUN - for school council positions as candidates.

PARTICIPATE - in the school council committee structure, by volunteering to serve on a committee or attending committee and council meetings.

You can serve if you have a child who will be enrolled in the middle school for the 2000-2001 school year and do not have a relative employed in the school.

SBDM definition of relative - "father, mother, brother, sister, husband, wife, son, daughter, aunt, uncle, son-in-law, daughter-in-law."

PARENT SBDM Elections

Monday, May 1 - Last day to nominate a parent. Submit nominations in writing to the principal. You must have a child who will be enrolled in the middle school next year before you can nominate or be nominated.

Monday, May 8 - PTG will conduct parent elections at 5:00 p.m. at the school.

NOMINATION FORM

I, _____, would like to nominate _____ for the position of parent member of the Rockcastle County Middle School SBDM Council for the 2000-2001 school year.

Date: _____

Signed: _____

PLEASE NOTE *Parents of fifth graders are eligible to vote, nominate, or serve if the student will promote to middle school this year.

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TOPS

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TOPS meets Thursday at 6 p.m. at Brohead Christian Church basement on Main St. in Brohead. For more info call 1-800-932-TOPS or locally 758-4047.

Bookmobile Schedule

Mon., May 1st: Scaffold Cane, Disputanta, Anglin Falls, Clear Creek, Wildie.

Tues., May 2nd: Buffalo, Castle Village, Brohead Adult Daycare, Negro Creek.

Wed., May 3rd: Ottawa and Bee Lick.

Kiwanis Club

The Rockcastle Kiwanis meets Thursday at noon at the Kastle Inn Restaurant. All visitors are welcome.

Marine Corps League

Bluegrass Chapter 1012 of the Marine Corps League meets every fourth Thursday of the month at the Igloo Club at the Bluegrass Army Depot. For more info, call Jack Dimer at 369-7310 or Nathan Seals at 256-0741.

JobStart

Can't find a job? Need new skills? JobStart, a job skills training program, can help. For more info, call Jennifer at 256-9612.

VA Rep Here

VA representative will be at the Rockcastle County Courthouse the first and third Mondays of each month behind County Judge/Executive's office from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

New TOPS Chapter

TOPS, a non-organizational, no diet to follow, no dietary products to pay, \$20 annual membership fee. Brindle Ridge Vol. Fire Dept. in Conway. 256-2490 or 256-3633. 1-800-932-8677.

DAR Meeting

Rockcastle Chapter DAR meeting will be May 9th at 7 p.m. at

Rockcastle Steak House, topic: DAR Schools and Literacy, speaker to be announced.

Retirement Dinner

Parker Seal Retirement Dinner will be at Dinner Bell in Berea May 9th at 11:00.

National Day of Prayer

National Day of Prayer meeting on Thursday, May 4th at 12 noon on front steps of courthouse. Please join us. Sponsored by Rockcastle Ministerial Association.

Plan Available

Daniel Boone Development Council, Inc. has completed and submitted the Year 2000-2001 CSBG Plan for the service area. The plan will be available for review until 4:28:00 in the Daniel Boone Development Council Office.

Register to Vote

The last day to register to vote in the May Primary Election will be April 24th. Anyone needing to register or make any changes in their voter registration must do so by that date.

Domestic Violence

Coordinating Council

The Domestic Violence Coordinating Council will meet at 3 p.m. on Thursday, May 11 at Community Based Services, Protection and Permanency, located in the Scott Building on West Main Street in Mt. Vernon. New members are welcome to join this effort to decrease all forms of domestic violence. We welcome representatives from law enforcement, counseling, education, social services, advocacy groups, and any others whose work includes domestic violence issues.

R.A.A.P. Meeting

Rockcastle Adoption Agency for Pets Inc. meets the first Sunday of each month at 2 p.m. Help build an animal shelter in Rockcastle County. Call Terry at 758-9202 or Vickie 256-5183 for directions.

Preschool Registration and Screening For the 2000-2001 School Year

If you are considering or planning to enroll your child in Preschool/Headstart next fall, you need to register early!!

WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO ATTEND?

Eligibility for Family Life Child and Family Development Center/HeadStart differs slightly, call (606) 256-5613

Priority 1 - any child 3 (upon birth date) or 4 and who has an identified disability

Priority 2 - any child who is 4 (four) on or before October 1, **AND** qualifies for free lunch

Priority 3 - any other child who is 4 (four) on or before October 1, and resides within the attendance zone, **AND** as space permits

Priority 4 - a child who is 4 (four) by October 1, who resides outside the attendance zone, **AND** is principal approved

* Children who are Priority 3 (three) or 4 (four) will not be permitted to attend until after Labor Day and then only as space permits

* Children who are 5 (five) before October 1 are not permitted to attend preschool

WHERE ARE THE PRESCHOOLS LOCATED?

Brohead Elementary School
Mt. Vernon Elementary School
Roundstone Elementary School
Family Life Child Development Center/KR/DC HeadStart

WHAT DAYS/TIMES ARE THE PRESCHOOLS IN OPERATION?

Preschool is a ½ day program, Monday - Thursday. Fridays are used for teacher planning and home visitation.

Morning and afternoon session are determined by bus routes.

*Sessions/times for Family Life Child and Family Development Center/HeadStart may be slightly different.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT THE
SCHOOL YOUR CHILD WILL ATTEND**

WHEN IS REGISTRATION AND SCREENING:

Registration will occur at each Elementary School and Family Life Child and Family Development Center/HeadStart

Friday, May 5, 2000 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Saturday, May 6, 2000 from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Friday, May 12, 2000, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Saturday, May 13, 2000, from 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

* You may register on any of these dates--screening will be done by appointment which will be scheduled at registration *

WHAT SHOULD WE BRING TO REGISTRATION?

Your child must have the following to be considered registered:

* Completed registration form

* Completed free lunch application or denial of application

FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL Janet Burke AND/OR

Elaine Hansel AT (606) 256-2125, OR SARAH DIXON AT (606) 256-5613.

FROM 8:30 A.M. - 4:30 P.M.

PRIMARY REGISTRATION

PRIMARY (formerly Kindergarten) STUDENTS MAY ALSO REGISTER AT EACH ELEMENTARY SCHOOL ON THESE DATES:

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