

Rockcastle to rule 2002 Kentucky Youth Assembly

BY COURTNEY ALEXANDER

Rockcastle Co. High School returned to Louisville, KY on Sunday Dec. 2 to show the state that RCHS excels in every aspect of play. After losing a hard fought battle on the football field during the State 3A Football Championship the day before, the Rockcastle Co. High School Y-club was determined to win a new battle, this time in the form of the Kentucky Youth Assembly (KYA) Governor's Race.

RCHS junior Aaron Anderkin, ran a strong campaign from the very beginning and the 800+ students from the Eastern half of Kentucky must have agreed with Aaron when he shouted, "Go all the way with Double AA." Anderkin was elected as the 2002 KYA Governor.

"It's an honor to have one governor, but now Rockcastle has two. It just reinforces how strong Y-club is in Rockcastle County," proudly stated KYA advisor Mrs. Angie Hendrickson.

With Jamie Ornela serving as Premiere Speaker of the House and Brian Reynolds serving as Congressional President of the Senate, Rockcastle was well represented in the role of leadership. Two of the bills from Rockcastle were also signed into law by this year's Governor of KYA.



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The RCHS Y-Club poses in the rotunda of the Capitol building in Frankfort during KYA. The room is filled with hundreds of poinsettias to help bring in the holiday season.

"As always, Rockcastle was a step above the rest," beamed RCHS Y-Club advisor Mr. Travis Brenda.

When KYA 2002 rolls around, Rockcastle Co. will have overall control of both middle school and high school conferences, RCMS

8th grader Ty Bottoms will govern over the middle school, while Aaron Anderkin takes care of the high school assembly. Such a feat has never occurred in Rockcastle Co. history before.



Local testing center step up in convenience

BY BLAKE ARNOLD

Since RCHS became a local ACT testing center many students have taken advantage of its convenience.

The ACT has been given at the high school twice this year, once on October 27, and again on December 8. The 45 available spots have filled up both times and some test takers who requested to take the test at RCHS have been given alternate test centers.

The fact that the test was given locally gave senior Brian Reynolds more time to sleep and was a step up in convenience.

"I was more comfortable taking the test here in familiar surroundings, with familiar teachers giving the test" stated Reynolds.

Staff members Ms. Debbie Coleman, Ms. Trina Bustle, and Ms. Dana Singleton proctored the test.

In the past Rockcastle County students have had to go out of county to towns like Berea, London, Somerset, or Richmond to take the test.

The next ACT test date is in February. The last day to register for that test is January 4.

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*I heard the bells on Christmas Day
Their old familiar carols play
And wild and sweet the words repeat
Of peace on earth, good-will to men.*

~Henry Wadsworth Longfellow



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