

Educational Talent Search Scholars Get First Aid & CPR Certified

The covid-19 pandemic has not stopped some middle school and high school participants in the Educational Talent Search (ETS) Program. During the month of July and August, 48 ETS Scholars completed First Aid, CPR & AED training and certification through the National CPR Foundation.

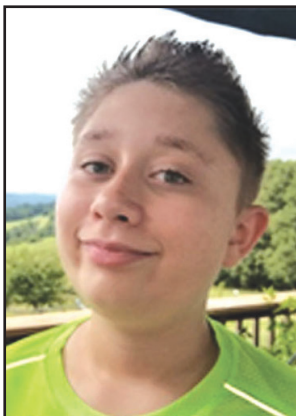
ETS Scholars obtaining certification from Estill County include: Amberlee Bailey, Analyse Day, Carolina Asher, Kaylie Reed, Kendra Hardy, Kenton Stepp, Laython McQueen, Madison Walters, Makayla Mosley, Mark Baisden, Sarah Epperson, Shelbi Goe, Sierra Brinegar, Thomas Bolin, Jaden Hackworth, Wyatt McQueen. NOTE: Not all students are pictured.

ETS Scholar recruitment has begun. ETS Scholars (6th - 12th grade) must have the interest and ability to continue their education beyond high school and should have at least a 2.5 cumulative grade point average. Once selected as an ETS Scholar, participants can remain in the program until August 31st after their high school graduation. All services, materials, opportunities and activities are FREE to the participant & family.

Interested individuals can apply online at: www.ets.eku.edu/forms or request a hard-copy application be mailed to your home mailing address by calling: 859-622-5425. For more information about the Educational Talent Search Program, feel free to contact ETS Director, Lisa Sons at: Lisa.sons@eku.edu.



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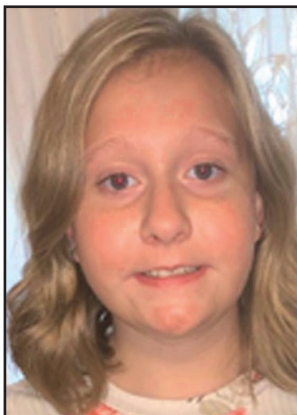
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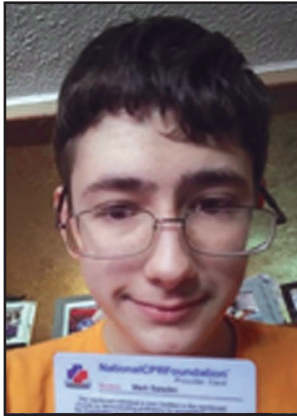
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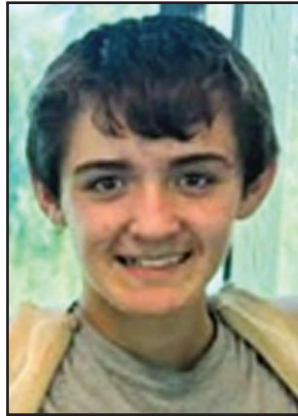
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East KY Thunder Wins Mid-Summer Slugfest

The East KY Thunder 14U Softball Team played in their second tournament of the season in Brodhead, on Sunday, Aug. 9, and walked away as champions of the "Mid-Summer Slugfest!" In pool play, these girls won one and lost one leaving them to start the tournament games as the #2 seed - where they won the 1st game earning them a spot to compete for the title. As fate would have it, in the championship game they faced the same team that had beaten them in pool play earlier in the day. These girls came to the field with a fire in their hearts, solid defense and hot bats! The Thunder girls got 9 hits, scored 12 runs, and did not have one single error in the field. Their excellent defense and team effort helped Jadelyn Neal pitch a one-hitter and cinched the victory for the team by the mercy rule 12-0. Offensively, the girls' bats were hot with Piper Samples, Marlo Puckett, Chloe Rison and Jadelyn

Neal each having two RBI's. In addition, Lina Guerra, Maya Wickline, and Peyton Henderson all contributed to the team's victory in the championship game with one RBI each.

Cumulative totals for the 4 games they played in this tournament were: Lina G., Maya W., and Piper S. led the team hitting with 5 hits each, followed by Peyton H. and Chloe R. with 4 hits each. Jadelyn N. had 3 hits, Marlo P. had 2 hits and Aaliyah R. had 1 hit. The Thunder girls capitalized on these hits as evidenced by: Marlo P. had 5 RBI's; Chloe R. had 4; Lina G., Piper S. and Aaliyah R. all had 3 RBI's each; while Jadelyn N. earned 2 and Peyton H. had 1 RBI. As a team, the Thunder girls scored 36 runs while only allowing 13 runs from their competitors all throughout the tournament.

The girls displayed great team effort which led to their success. They were coached by Kevin Joe Rogers and Robby Graham.



East Kentucky Thunder 14U Softball Team, left to right, front: Piper Samples, Maci Carlisle, Maya Wickline, Lina Guerra, Jadelyn Neal. Second row: Coach Robby Graham, Peyton Henderson, Marlo Puckett, Aaliyah Rogers, Faith Graham, Hannah Brasher, Chloe Rison and Coach Kevin Joe Rogers.



ABOVE: Estill Lady Neers bringing home another ring!! The ladies played in The Nicholasville Bash this past weekend, August 15, 2020, playing 5 games, scoring 34 runs, giving up 1!! Way to go Ladies!!! Pictured above, left to right, front: Emma Winkle, Maci Muncie, Katie Johnson, Jessie Begley, Neesa West, Cassidy Hack. Back row: Vana Newton, Carly Cain, Lauren Farmer, Aaliyah Edenstrom, and Henlee Hunter. (Photo courtesy of Lynn and Stephanie Patrick West)



LEFT: The 12U Mid-America Prospects recently won the USSSA 12U AA Kentucky State Championship at the Elizabethtown, Kentucky Sports Park on Sunday, August 9, 2020, bringing their overall record on the season to 25-4. The baseball team is currently ranked 1st in Kentucky and 2nd in the United States in the USSSA AA rankings with an overall power rating of 1492. The Prospects are based out of Mt. Vernon, Kentucky, and the head coach is David Fain. The team is made up of young men from Rockcastle, Madison, Clinton and Estill counties. AT LEFT: Pictured left to right, are, front: Gavin Proffitt, Zeke Fain, Blaine Melton, Kooper Powell, Beckett Parker-Noblitt, Will Richardson. Second row: Hunter Pingleton, Aiden Lilly, Caleb Thrasher, Walker Craig, Maddox Aidsen, Lukas Ingram. Back row: Head Coach David Fain, Asst. Coach Jason Ingram, Asst. Coach Chris Parsons, and Asst. Coach Ryan Powell. (Photo courtesy of Corey Craig)