



National Merit Commended Scholars

Each year the National Merit Scholarship Corporation conducts a scholarship program to encourage and recognize academic excellence. Students enter the program by taking the PSAT in their junior year in October. Over 22,000 high schools nationwide administer the test annually, with over 1.3 million juniors taking the test. Kenston High School has three students who were named Commended Scholars in the Class of 2025 National Merit Scholarship Competition. These students are typically in the top 95% of all students who take the test. Those students are (l-r): Michael Thompson, Addison Altmann, and Jacob Kovalski.



Kenston High School Student of the Month

Students selected for Student of the Month honors were (l-r) eighth grade Chase Shwonek and Claire Heiman; ninth grade Emerson Hallen and Eva Ringness; tenth grade Grace Voudris and Lleyton Johnson; eleventh grade Ryan Menary and Katelyn McBride; and twelfth grade Margaret Nelson and Soledad Carrion.



Exploring Nature All Around Us

Kenston Middle School fifth graders are getting a first-hand learning experience that allows them to explore and interact with nature. The Nature Scope's opportunity is provided by the Foundation for Geauga Parks, the first binocular-nature education program of its kind in the country. This year-long program accompanies the Ohio Content Standards for fifth-grade science education. Since its establishment in 2003, Nature Scopes has provided Kenston fifth grade students with a pair of Bushnell binoculars, two field guides, and a certificate of participation. Kenston Schools Photo.

Kenston Spirit

Kenston National Honor Society

More than just an honor roll, the National Honor Society recognizes students who have demonstrated excellence in scholarship, service, leadership, and character. On October 2, these outstanding juniors and seniors were inducted into the Kenston High School National Honor Society. They are Sydney Alfonso, Avari Amstutz, Mustafa Arshad, Ethan Bennett, Callen Buchanan, Marin Carlson, Morgan Cicek, Caitlin Cooley, Allison English, Cullen Fehring, Shannon Feldman, Andrew Fender, Madelyn Foerster, Grace Gettig, Sheri Holodinski, Tommy Hunt, Andrew Kirschman, Alexis Kosiorek, Brynn Krahe, Graden Kucharson, Devin Macsuga, Megan Master, Katelyn McBride, AJ McIntosh, Ryan Menary, Lana Mills, Nico Monger, Troy Morton, Ryleigh Offutt, Sienna Peterson, Will Radefeld, Dylan Ringness, Brendan Scheuer, Shriya Selvan, Jacob Smith, Marin Walz, Jamies Weiner and Andrew Wright.

Military Wall of Honor

The Kenston Alumni Association, in partnership with the District, has created a Military Wall of Honor. It was unveiled on Veterans Day, 2018. We continue to add and recognize graduates as their information is submitted.

We are proud of our brave and selfless service members who graduated from Auburn, Bainbridge, or Kenston High Schools. We wish to recognize their service on behalf of the United States of America with the Kenston Schools Alumni Military Wall of Honor program.

To submit information, to honor graduates and/or employees who are active or veterans of the United States Armed Forces, please visit kenstonlocal.org or email alumni@kenstonapps.org.

Kenston Center Stage Fall Play

Kenston Center Stage will present Thornton Wilder's *Our Town* at Kenston High School in the Robert A. Lee Auditorium on Nov. 14, 15 and 16. Tickets for the show will be available on the Kenston website through the online ticketing site. Described by Edward Albee as "the greatest American play ever written," *Our Town* presents the small town of Grover's Corners in three acts: "Daily Life," "Love and Marriage," and "Death and Eternity." Narrated by a stage manager, the play depicts the simple daily lives of the Webb and Gibbs families as their children fall in love, marry and live their lives.

The cast and crew are comprised of the following students: Matthew Albano, Brooklyn Alexander, Addie Altmann, Maylin Bryan, Ellie Deken, Rory Feldman, Calla Haar, Tommy Hart, George Huang, Tommy Hunt, Josie Ianiro, Angelo Iosue, Wilson Kentner, Andrea Kirschman, Jacob Kovalski, Eve Lucarelli, Devin Macsuga, Megan Master, Collin Menary, Lana Mills, Ava Moores, Penelope Morales, Savannah Morris, Kara Mustin, Sofiya Pavlova, Layla Perodeau, Moraya Piuanno, Will Radefeld, Zach Radefeld, Nathan Rolf, Luke Schmidt, Ethan Shannon, Addie Sharp, Rhys Serquina, Jake Spencer, Payton Timmons, Kate Tobin, Arielle Tobler, Will Turner, Hunter Vrudney, Jack Wagar, Ildri Weaver and Jack Zaranec.

Kenston S'MOREs Event

Kenston schools will be hosting the annual Senior Moment of Rockin' Entertainment (S'MORE) Dinner Theater event on Wednesday, Nov. 13. Dinner will be served at 5 p.m. with the play *Our Town* to follow at 6 p.m. S'MOREs Dinner Theater is an annual free event for Bainbridge and Auburn residents over the age of 60. To register for the event, please call the Kenston Board of Education Office at 440-543-9677.

Kenston Preschool Role Model Application for 2025/26

The Kenston Preschool at Timmons Elementary School (TES) is designed so that preschool children with an Individualized Education Program (IEP) receive educational services in an environment with typically developing peers. The program focuses on providing educational opportunities for all preschool children, enabling them to grow, develop, and learn from one another.

For families interested in sending their child to Timmons as a typically developing peer role model, they must complete a screening packet which is available on the district website, and return it to Katie Seifried by Friday, Nov. 15, 2024. The screening will take place on Friday, Nov. 22, 2024, 10 a.m.-11 a.m. or 2 p.m.-3 p.m. at the TES building. You may either scan/email the packet to katie.seifried@kenstonapps.org, or you may drop it off at the TES office attention Katie Seifried. Children placed as typically developing peer models need to be potty trained, parents must provide their own transportation, parents must fulfill the tuition requirement, and families must reside in the Kenston Local School District.

For families of students who are already on an IEP or have recently moved to the district, please contact the Special Education office at 440-543-3013 for assistance.



Flat Stanley

Third-grade students at Timmons Elementary School said goodbye, adios, au revoir to their Flat Stanleys as they began their journey around the world. This educational program began in 1995 and is based on the 1964 children's book *Flat Stanley*. After *Flat Stanley* returns, the students will compile the information they receive in an effort to learn more about other communities, cultures and experiences around the world.

A Blessed Thanksgiving to All!



Campfire Connections

It was a beautiful evening for a campfire in SJA's outdoor classroom! Students and parishioners from the Family Connections ministry gathered to share songs, games, and, of course, s'mores! Pictured here are fifth-graders Mila Gunerra and Alex Vecchio enjoying their s'mores.



Altar Serving

Deacon Jeffery Dunlop advises eighth-grader Dominic Cirino, one of our newest altar servers, as he prepares to assist in serving Mass for the congregation at St. Joan of Arc Parish on Saturday evening.



Sweet Reward

There's no better reward for our top sellers in this year's PTO Magazine Drive than a refreshing break with Kona Ice. In the photo, you can see second graders Gabriel Rugerio and Sonny Brault enjoying their treat.



The Difference Faith Makes

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