2nd Place Scholars’ Bowl Finish!

Important Dates To Remember

April Fools Day
April 1

ACT Test
April 13

Seniors’ Disney Trip
Apr 14–18

All-Star Scholars’ Bowl
April 19–20

Saturday Academy
April 27

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College Admissions Criteria

Colleges use some of the information listed below when determining whether or not to accept an applicant. Colleges differ in how they evaluate this information. For example, one college may place a great deal of importance on test scores. Another college may focus more on other factors.

- **Grade Point Average (GPA)**- A student’s GPA is an indication of how well the student is performing in high school, and it is one of the first things that colleges examine.

- **High School Transcript**– The transcript provides admissions and scholarship committees with important data. This data includes courses, grades, and credits for each semester completed, cumulative GPAs, class ranks, college test scores and anticipated graduation dates.

- **ACT/SAT scores**- Colleges use test scores to help them assess a student’s readiness for college-level work. Test scores also give colleges an easy way to compare applicants.

- **Class rank**– Class rank shows where a student stands in relation to the other members of his/her graduation class. Some scholarships stipulate that students must be in the top 10% or 20% of their graduating class. Therefore, class rank can be very important for those students applying for scholarships.

- **Recommendations**- Colleges want an honest, professional opinion of your abilities and personality. For recommendations from teachers, look for teachers with whom you have had a good experience in an academic subject and one who can vouch for your likelihood of academic success.

- **Demonstrated interest**- Going on a college visit, talking with admission officers, or doing an enthusiastic interview can call attention to how much you really want to attend. Applying for an early decision may also make a good impression.

- **Activities**- What counts most to colleges is not how many extracurricular activities you list. What is impressive is how long and how deeply you have been committed to one or two interests, how much time you allot to them each week, what leadership roles you have undertaken, and what you have accomplished.

- **Essays**- Many colleges will ask you to submit an essay or personal statement. Here is your opportunity to put your personality into your application. A well-written essay can tip a decision in your favor.

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University of Kentucky

- Lexington, KY Population: 301,569
- Estimated Cost of Attendance: (Semester) $23,100
- Financial Aid is available [http://www.uky.edu/](http://www.uky.edu/)

Majors: There are many areas of study offered at the University of Kentucky. Visit the website for more information!
February Saturday Academy Write-up

By Brian Carlson, President & Justice Ezell, Secretary

This Saturday was the famous overnight trip at the Best Western Hotel in Richmond. After everyone got checked in, the night began with announcements and what to expect on the trip to Morehead State University. After this group meeting there were several smaller group meetings for the Executive Board members, Scholars’ Bowl member and the seniors. After dinner and the meetings were over, everyone settled in for the night. Then on Saturday the Scholars’ Bowl competed in their competition and afterwards everyone participated in fun workshops or a tour of the Morehead State University's campus. Wrapping up the day with a speaker then the awards ceremony, EKU’s Scholars’ Bowl team took home second place. Brian Carlson was chosen for the All-Star team that will compete in Atlanta, Georgia with Travis Walters as the alternate should anyone drop out.
Meet the Staff

Becca, Coordinator

Full Name: REBECCA KATHLEEN MORRISON
Place of Birth: LEXINGTON, KY
Currently Lives: LEXINGTON, KY
High School Attended: MODEL LAB SCHOOL AND TATES CREEK HIGH SCHOOL
Colleges Attended: EKU AND UK
Favorite Sports: UK BASKETBALL AND WORLD CUP SOCCER
Favorite Food: VEGETARIAN
Favorite Song: “IN YOUR EYES” BY PETER GABRIEL
Favorite Color: AQUA BLUE
Favorite Quote: “BE THE CHANGE YOU WISH TO SEE IN THE WORLD”
Favorite Movies: LAST OF THE MOHICANS, COLD MOUNTAIN, AND BRAVEHEART
Favorite Band/Musician: DAVE MATTHEWS BAND
Favorite Ice Cream: GRAETER’S STRAWBERRY CHIP
Favorite TV Show: THE WALKING DEAD
Favorite Book: “THE BEAN TREES” BY BARBARA KINGSOLVER
Favorite Season: SPRING
Favorite Cartoon Character: SPACE GHOST
Favorite Clothing: ANYTHING FROM CHICO’S
Favorite Cereal: HONEY BUNCHES OF OATS
Person (dead or alive) that you’d most like to meet?
MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.
What is the farthest you’ve ever been away from Kentucky?
HAWAII
What is your most treasured possession?
A NECKLACE THAT BELONGED TO MY GRANDMOTHER
What actor/actress would you want to play you in a movie about your life?
JENNIFER LAWRENCE

Tamara, Director

Full Name: TAMARA LYNN STEWART
Place of Birth: WINCHESTER, KY
Currently Lives: RICHMOND, KY
High School Attended: POWELL COUNTY HIGH SCHOOL
Colleges Attended: UK, UNIVERSITY OF THE CUMBERLANDS
Favorite Sport: GYMNASTICS
Favorite Food: INDIAN
Favorite Song: “I CAN ONLY IMAGINE”
Favorite Color: RED
Favorite Quote: “I CAN DO ALL THINGS THROUGH CHRIST WHO STRENGTHENS ME”
Favorite Movie: NAPOLEON DYNAMITE
Favorite Band/Musician: THIRD DAY
Favorite Ice Cream: PEANUT BUTTER/CHOCOLATE CHIP
Favorite TV Show: AMERICAN PICKERS
Favorite Book: MADAME BOVERY
Favorite Season: FALL
Favorite Cartoon Character: FOG HORN LEG HORN
Favorite Clothing: FLANNEL PJ’S
Favorite Cereal: CAPTAIN CRUNCH
Person (dead or alive) that you’d most like to meet?
JESUS
What is the farthest you’ve ever been away from Kentucky?
MEXICO CITY, MEXICO
What is your most treasured possession?
THE QUILTS THAT MY GRANDMOTHERS, AUNTS, AND MOM MADE FOR ME
What actress would you want to play you in a movie about your life?
MEG RYAN. SHE SEEMS TO BE QUIRKY LIKE ME!
Meet the Staff

Buzz, Senior Office Associate

Full Name: ROBERT WALTER CORNELISON
Place of Birth: RICHMOND, KY
Currently Lives: RICHMOND, KY
High School Attended: MADISON CENTRAL HIGH SCHOOL
Colleges Attended: EKU AND UK
Favorite Sport: BASKETBALL
Favorite Food: SEAFOOD
Favorite Song: RACHMANINOV’S RHAPSODY ON A THEME BY PAGININI
Favorite Color: BLUE
Favorite Quote: “IT SEEMED LIKE A GOOD IDEA AT THE TIME”
Favorite Band/Musician: EMMERSON, LAKE & PALMER/STEPHEN SONDHEIM
Favorite Ice Cream: NONE/LACTOSE INTOLERANT
Favorite TV Show: THE BIG BANG THEORY
Favorite Book: HOW FIRM A FOUNDATION
Favorite Season: SUMMER
Favorite Cartoon Character: LOONEY TOON’S “FANTASTIC FROG”
Favorite Clothing: FORMAL WEAR
Favorite Cereal: RAISIN BRAN
Person (dead or alive) that you’d most like to meet?: STEPHEN SONDHEIM
What is the farthest you’ve ever been away from Kentucky?: JOHANNASBURG, SOUTH AFRICA
What is your most treasured possession?: MY MEMORIES

Zak, Assistant Director

Full Name: ZACHARY HUDSON HESS
Place of Birth: BECKLEY, WV
Currently Lives: BEREA, KY
High School Attended: HOME SCHOOL AND GREATER BECKLEY IN WV
Colleges Attended: BEREA COLLEGE AND EKU
Favorite Sports: BASEBALL AND ICE HOCKEY
Favorite Food: REUBEN SANDWICH
Favorite Song: “HYMN” BY DUNCAN SHEIK
Favorite Color: GREEN OR YELLOW
Favorite Quote: “MAY THE FORCE BE WITH YOU” FROM STAR WARS
Favorite Movie: GOOD WILL HUNTING
Favorite Bands/Musicians: ANGELS & AIRWAVES, U2
Favorite Ice Cream: BEN AND JERRY’S CHUNKY MONKEY
Favorite TV Show: THE WALKING DEAD
Favorite Book: HARRY POTTER AND THE HALF-BLOOD PRINCE
Favorite Season: FALL
Favorite Cartoon Character: ERIC CARTMAN
Favorite Clothing: HOCKEY JERSEYS
Favorite Cereal: FRUITY PEBBLES
Person (dead or alive) that you’d most like to meet?: MY GRANDPA HESS – HE DIED WELL BEFORE I WAS BORN
What is the farthest you’ve ever been away from Kentucky?: THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC
What is your most treasured possession?: THE GUITAR MY MOM GAVE ME A FEW DAYS BEFORE SHE PASSED AWAY
What actor would you want to play you in a movie about your life?: ZACH BRAFF
Helpful information is always being added to these websites!

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*Text Messaging:*
Current UB students: We are going to be trying out a new text messaging service to see if it will be useful for us. To sign up, text @eku to 859-353-6014. Current UB parents are also welcome to join our service!