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# Three Rivers to Provide Courses at Mingo Job Corps

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**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** - Three Rivers College has finalized an agreement with the Mingo Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center to provide transitional education courses to participants in the Job Corps career technical training program.

“The Job Corps program does an outstanding job of serving low-income students throughout the nation, and the Mingo Center is no exception,” said Dr. Mary Lou Brown, Dean of Academic Instruction at Three Rivers. “We’re very proud to be able to provide some of the courses their students need to further their education.”

The agreement allows Three Rivers to provide transitional English, reading, and mathematics courses at the Mingo center. The courses are designed to help students catch up to college-level coursework, while allowing students to learn at their own pace. Three Rivers also works with the Mingo center to provide high-school equivalency testing for students in the center’s GED program.

“Mingo Job Corps has always encouraged their students to further their education thru college and Three Rivers is giving that opportunity to the students by providing classes on center,” said Pamela Denkins, Academic Manager for the Mingo Job Corps Center.

The Mingo Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center is one of 125 Job Corps locations operated nationwide. Job Corps is a no-cost education and vocational training program operated by the U.S. Department of Labor that helps young people from low-income backgrounds, ages 16 through 24, improve the quality of their lives through vocational

and academic training. The Mingo facility is capable of housing over 200 students, and specializes in career technical training that will promote job opportunities.

For more information on taking classes at Three Rivers College, visit [trcc.edu](http://trcc.edu) or call the Welcome Center at 573-840-9605. For more information on the Mingo Job Corps Civilian Conservation Center and the Job Corps program, visit [mingo.jobcorps.gov](http://mingo.jobcorps.gov) or contact JoAnn Hughey at 573-222-2665.

Three Rivers College is committed to contributing to the quality of life in Southeast Missouri with quality, affordable higher education opportunities and community services that support and encourage the economic, civic, and cultural vitality of the region. For more information about college and workforce programs and upcoming events, visit [trcc.edu](http://trcc.edu).

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# SEMO Announces 2015 Spring Semester Dean's List

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**Cape Girardeau, Missouri** – Southeast Missouri State University has announced its Dean's List for academic achievement during the spring 2015 semester.

Students named to the list earned at least a 3.5 grade point average on a 4.0 scale and completed at least 12 degree credit hours during the spring session.

**From Advance:** Ashton Anderson, Ethan Barr, Kayla McCabe, Collin Ritter, Haley Seger, and Lindsey Sullinger.

**From Bell City:** Tommie Davis, Alexandra Eakin, Casey Hicks, and Zachary Weeks.

**From Bernie:** Karsyn Abernathy, Katelyn Baker, Alex Beaird, Lindsay Beaird, David Blevins, Heather Brown, Zachary O'Daniel, Selena Poe, Alicia Rasmussen, Andrew Reif, Rachel Tilmon, Jeremy Walker, and Sierra Waller.

**From Bloomfield:** Joshua Abner, Becca Bolin, Amanda Graser, Rachel Hankins, Sarah Patrick, Grace Taylor, Rebecca Taylor, Elizabeth Ward, Morgan Wilkinson, and Elizabeth Willard.

**From Dexter:** Madisson Baker, Will Baker, Brittany Becker, Cody Boyer, Tyler Caldwell, Kristopher Chamberlain, Emily Cook, James Deberry, John Durham, Heather Hann, John Hartline, Bryan Hubrecht, Hannah Huls, Emily Hutchcraft, Rilee Jones, Zach Kester, Jeffrey King, Darcie Lane, Jessica Loflin, Corbin Matthews, Tanner Mayberry, Nicholas McCollough, Daniel McCoy, Samantha Midgett, Sarah Mouser, Hannah Noe, Lauren Powers, Tejay Riddle, Sydnie Rinehart, Taylor Robey, Brent Shipman, Bethany Smith, Jessica Snider, Lyndsey Stone, and Garrett Wray.

**From Puxico:** Jennifer Bowling, Michael Bowling, Miranda Foster, Heather Gillock, Kayla Hammons, Jamie Manuel, Garrett Payne, and Hunter Placher.

Congratulations to all who made the Dean's List!

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## Alexis Smith Named 2015 National Merit Scholarship

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**Evanston, Illinois** - Alexis Smith, a 2015 graduate of Dexter High School, has been selected as one of this year's National Merit Scholarship recipients. Smith is the daughter of Gabe and Brooke Smith of Dexter and will pursue a career in medicine.

National Merit \$2,500 Scholarship winners are chosen from a talent pool of more than 15,000 outstanding finalists in 2015 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Winners are the finalists in each state judged to have the strongest combination of accomplishments, skills, and potential for success in rigorous college studies. The number of winners named in each state is proportional to the state's percentage of the nation's graduating high school seniors.

The scholars were selected by a committee of college admissions officers and high school counselors, who appraised a substantial amount of information submitted by both the finalists and their high schools: the academic record, including difficulty level of subjects studied and grades earned; scores from two standardized tests; contributions and

leadership in school and community activities; an essay written by the Finalist; and a recommendation written by a high school official.

By the conclusion of this year's competition, about 7,600 academic champions will have won National Merit Scholarships worth approximately \$34 million.

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## Carter Named Missouri Journalism Education Association's Rising Star

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Carter Named Missouri Journalism Education Association's Rising Star

**Essex, Missouri** - Kyle Carter of Richland R-I Jr/Sr High School has been named the Missouri Journalism Education Association's Rising Star award winner.

For the past two years, Kyle Carter has been teaching business and advising the yearbook. In his short time as an adviser, Carter has done big things for the program. An accomplished photographer himself (a Mississippi Press association award winner with photos published in USA Today and Sports Illustrated to name a few), his students have been recognized with a number of awards for their photography under his guidance.

Carter explains his greatest enjoyment in his role this way: "I LOVE taking someone who is a self-professed 'good photographer' and starting them on the Three Things We Can Control lesson. This lesson both opens their eyes to the possibilities of different styles of photography and helps them understand their own personal style better."

"I also LOVE advising, especially onsite work. Sitting with another shooter and picking their brain about what they could have done differently or why they used a f/4.5 on a double play instead of f/3.5. I enjoy helping them understand as much as they can about the assignment they are shooting as well as the camera principles. I enjoy seeing the satisfaction in the students' face when they get their first really good photo - are published on the front page of the paper for the first time or even the gleam of pride in their eyes after they've won their first award. Most of my students come to me with the world's preconceived notion of what a photo should look like - I teach them how to break down a photograph into their individual pieces (f/stop, shutter speed, ISO, etc.) and then advise them on how to make their art work even better than the previous photo they've seen."

He was nominated by one of his students, Parker Miller. A junior in his first year on the yearbook staff. In his short time as a staff member, Parker Miller is a Gold Key winner from Quill and Scroll, an MJEA Photo of the Year Finalist and a member of the 2015 MJEA All-State Journalism Team.

The Richland Director of Music and Bands, Amber Dulley, said, "Our current yearbook and journalism program is only in its second year, and has made unprecedented advances in student involvement, student skill level, use of technology, and quality of product."

The Missouri Journalism Education Association is the largest state scholastic journalism organization formed to help protect and enhance scholastic journalism in Missouri. MJEA works to provide outreach and support to advisers and journalism programs across the state. MJEA supports free and responsible scholastic journalism by providing resources and educational opportunities, by promoting professionalism, by encouraging and rewarding student excellence and teacher achievement, and by fostering an atmosphere which encompasses diversity yet builds unity.

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## Poplar Bluff Beta Club Help Historic Depot Restoration Corporation

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**Poplar Bluff, Missouri** – About 50 members of the Poplar Bluff High School Beta Club chose to help the Historic Depot Restoration Corporation tear out a floor in order to complete their volunteer hours.

Each student is required by the student organization to volunteer and donate hours each semester.

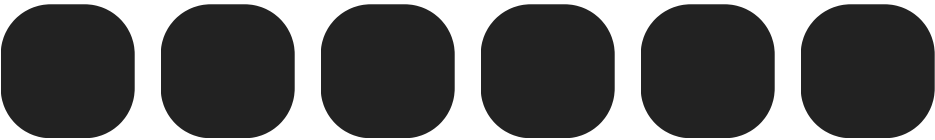
The Iron Mountain Depot is the home of the local Amtrak Station and was once a thriving train depot. Recent revitalization projects have enhanced the beauty and brought recognition to the old depot.

Photo submitted by Tim Krakowiak, Poplar Bluff School District.

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