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Dexter, Missouri - Three seniors, Olivia Sitzes, Cheyenne Mosby and Kaylee Carey, were honored at the Dexter Lady Cat softball field on Thursday, April 27, 2017.

Kaylee is the daughter of Jeremy and Cindy Carey.

She has played softball all four years of high school.

She is a member of the Dexter Honor Society, National Honor Society, Sr. Beta and the Future Business Leaders of America.

He earned First team All-District and First team All-Conference for the past three years. She also earned the Highest Batting Average for the past three years at Dexter.

Kaylee has signed a letter of intent to play for the Crowley's Ridge College in Paragould, Arkansas where she plans to earn a degree.

"Kaylee has had a successful career with the Bearcat softball program," commented Dexter head softball coach Starla Pulley. "She has a sweet disposition and that little smile and tilt of the head when you talk to her just makes her a great all around person.

"She started her Freshman year with a batting average of .194 and through the years has kept improving, by the end of her junior year she had a batting average of .500 and OBP of .544. Her stolen bases have also increased from 3 her freshman year to 11 last year."

"She will continue her softball career at CRC in Arkansas and they are truly blessed to have her as an addition to their softball family."

Congratulations Kaylee Carey! Class of 2017!

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Bloomfield, Missouri - Bloomfield Middle School held their annual Athletic Honors Ceremony on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the Bloomfield High School gym along with the high school athletes.

Sherilyn Johnson and Che Jones are the middle school volleyball coaches. Students managers are Cheyanne Joiner and Makayla Blevins.

Playing on the 8th grade volleyball team are McKenzie Bowen, Kaylee Ellsworth, Hannah Emery, Ashton Bell, Melanie Phillips, Kaylea Hart, Abby Brown, Kylie Phillips, and Emily Hunsaker.

Awards presented were the Wildcat Award, Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, and the Most Valuable Player of the Year.

The Wildcat Award was presented to Melanie Phillips. "She worked hard every day in practice and you can tell she loves volleyball. This combination of attitude and effort will go a long way for her in the future."

The Defensive Player of the Year Award was presented to Hannah Emery. "Hannah is our libero."

The Offensive Player of the Year Award went to Kaylea Hart. "She improved with her placement of the ball and wasn't afraid to swing, even on some risky 10's."

The Defensive Player of the Year Award was presented to Ashton Bell. "She was well rounded and most importantly she was a smart player. She kept us competitive in a lot of games this year."

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Bloomfield Middle School 7th Grade Volleyball Awards

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Bloomfield Middle School 7th Grade Volleyball Awards

Bloomfield, Missouri - Bloomfield Middle School held their annual Athletic Honors Ceremony on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the Bloomfield High School gym along with the high school athletes.

Sherilyn Johnson and Che Jones are the middle school volleyball coaches. Students managers are Cheyanne Joiner and Makayla Blevins.

Playing for the Bloomfield 7th grade girls volleyball team are Isabelle Tippen, Abigail Venable, Ansley Huffman, Alaina Dockins, Mattie Pennington, Molly Below, Karsynn Phillips, Abigail Conner, Shilynn Bader, Ashlynn Sills, Rosa Hester, Sevanna Metcalf, Alyssa Jarrell, Emily Hancock, and Kylie Wheelis.

"The 7th grade group is by far the largest group that I have coached," commented Johnson. "I really hope that they all continue to play throughout high school because there is a lot of talent on the team."

Four awards were presented: Wildcat Award, Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year and Most Valuable Player of the Year Award.

The Wildcat Award went to Mattie Pennington. "She never got down on herself and played whatever role the team needed her to play with a positive attitude."

The Offensive Player of the Year Award went to Shilynn Bader. "She is a young lady who will do great things for Bloomfield on the front row. She has the height and the commitment."

The Defensive Player of the Year Award went to Karsynn Phillips. "She is a girl we could always count on to get us out of serve receive. She is an all around great player, but her ability to read and react to the ball is exceptional for a seventh grader."

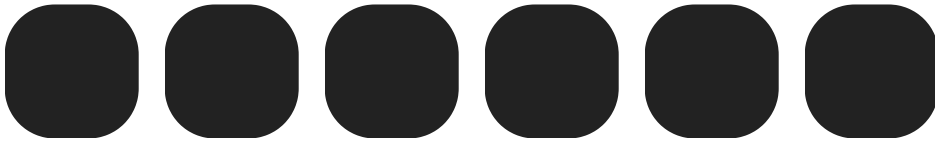
The Most Valuable Player Award went to Molly Below. "She is reliable all the way around the court. She can pass, set, hit, and now even jump serve."

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Bloomfield Middle School 8th Gr. Boys Basketball Awards

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[Bloomfield Middle School 8th Gr. Boys Basketball Awards](#)

Bloomfield, Missouri - Bloomfield Middle School held their annual Athletic Honors Ceremony on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the Bloomfield High School gym along with the high school athletes.

The 8th grade boys basketball team is coached by Brandon Crook and Travis Westbrook.

Playing for the 8th grade team are Parker Heaton, Lane Bader, Bryant Vaughn, Will Thorn, Colton Hyslop, Gentry Bracken, Gavin Chasteen, and Nick Carter.

They finished their 2016-2017 season with a record of seven wins and seven losses. They claimed third place in the Stoddard County Tournament.

"I have coached most of these young men the last four years and it's truly been an honor," commented Westbrook. "Their biggest downfall was being too nice. Every time they stole the ball from the other team they always felt bad and gave it back. That's not entirely true, but close. They played as hard as any team I have coached at Bloomfield and if they continue to do that and develop their game they have very high potential in the future."

Awards distributed were Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Most Valuable Player and the Wildcat Award.

Colton Hyslop is the Offensive Player of the Year. He averaged 12.9 points per game to lead the team. "I never would have dreamed that four years ago, but he has learned to use his size, speed, and strength to get to the basket and finish."

Defensive Player of the Year is Nick Carter. "When we needed someone shut down like we did in the 3rd place game of the county tournament Nick wanted that challenged and delivered. I have watched him get to balls I thought he had no chance of getting to just by sheer heart and will and that's all defense. It doesn't hurt that he is really fast either."

Most Valuable Player was voted on by the team. Parker Heaton earned the award.

"Parker is kind of the glue that held things together for this team. He has a high basketball IQ and is able to play any position we might need him in. He can hit shots outside, go inside and bang around. He is also good at breaking bones and thankfully that didn't happen this year."

Will Thorn is the Wildcat Award winner for this year. "I tried to get Will to play in 5th, 6th, and 7th grade and he finally decided to come play this year. The team and coaches are glad he did."

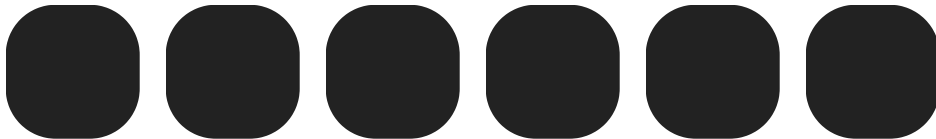
"Will exemplifies everything the Wildcat Awards stands for. he is great in the classroom. he's great in the community and he is going to give everything he has on the court and support his teammates til the end. He is a team first guy, a "we" guy, not a "me" guy. Will worked as hard as anybody and will only get better the more he plays," stated Westbrook.

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Bloomfield, Missouri - Bloomfield Middle School held their annual Athletic Honors Ceremony on Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at the Bloomfield High School gym along with the high school athletes.

The 7th grade boys basketball team is coached by Brandon Crook and Travis Westbrook.

Playing on the 7th grade team are Gabe Adkins, Aiden Coward, Andrew Francis, Rollings Gigaroa, Dawson Hill, Jeffrey Jarrell, Nathan Lockhart, Ethan McRoberts, Will Robison, Conner Scott, Stevan Sherfield, and Skyler Smith.

They finished their season 12 -3 and earned a 3rd place in the in the Fisk Tournament and the first in the SCAA Conference Tournament.

"This group was a pleasure to coach," commented Crook. "When you put athleticism and knowledge of the game together you have a good recipe for success. this group of kids had both this past year."

Some memorable moments were making 10 3-pointers in a big win over Dexter, including a half-court buzzer beater by Jeffrey Jarrell. The other moment was avenging a mid season loss at Bernie then beating them in the Conference Championship.

"We jumped on them early and would have liked to seen us put it away easily, but still won by double digits," stated Crook.

Awards presented were the Offensive Player of the Year, Defensive Player of the Year, Most Valuable Player of the Year and the Wildcat Award.

Jeffrey Jarrell earned the Offensive Player of the Year award and the Most Valuable Player of the Year. The MVP was voted on by his fellow teammates.

Andrew Francis received the Defensive Player of the Year award.

The Wildcat Award went to a player who through a combination of effort, attitude and improvement during the course of the season and that was Dawson Hill. This award was also voted on by fellow teammates.

"Hard work, dedication, and teamwork will be what separates this group of athletes from their competition," Crook said.

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