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# McDonald-Jordan Earns the \$1,000 Hoover Scholarship

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#### McDonald-Jordan Earns the \$1,000 Hoover Scholarship

Poplar Bluff High School senior Carlton McDonald-Jordan has been awarded the Thomas J. Hoover Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship, valued at \$1,000, was designated for a Mules Basketball player who also excels academically.

McDonald-Jordan plans to attend Saint Louis University, where he will pursue a degree in sports medicine. Among the top in his class, McDonald-Jordan is also a stand out Mules Basketball player, averaging 8.5 points, 5.5 rebounds, 2.8 assists and 2 steals per game. The team captain, he is a three-year letterman, and has been named to the Class 5, District 1 All-District Team as well as the Missouri Basketball Coaches Association Academic All-State Team. He is the Semoball Awards nominee for Scholar Athlete of the Year.

The Hoover Scholarship is named in honor of lifelong Mules supporter, Tom Hoover, who served the school district variously as a teacher, coach, principal and interim superintendent. While he was very involved in athletics, including being the official basketball scorekeeper in his retirement, his surviving wife Susan points out that Hoover's primary motivation was always the education of young people.

Pictured presenting Carlton McDonald-Jordan the Hoover Scholarship on Thursday, May 2, is Susan Hoover.

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## Top 10% Honors Banquet Held at Dexter High School

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Dexter, Missouri - On April 30, 2019 the Top 10% Honors Banquet was held at Dexter High School. Miss Alexis Smith was the speaker and honored guest of the evening. The event is held in conjunction with the Dexter Chamber of Commerce.

Dexter Chamber of Commerce members were on hand to celebrate the students' achievement of being in the top 10% of their respected classes. President Alisha

Trammell spoke to the students and commended their efforts.

Laura Stone, DHS Counselor, introduced each of the honorees as they crossed the stage to receive their pin and certificate.

Freshman Class Top 10%: Addyson Atherton, Sajah Ballard, Annie Banken, Kennedy Bess, Bailey Colyer, Arielle Coyner, Abigail Dement, Alyssa Frizzell, Grace Hanner, Gerica Harris, Rachel Lin, Berkley Moreland, Dulcie Pullen, Isaac Sandage, Bailey Whitaker, and Mia Williams.

Sophomore Class Top 10%: McKayla Annesser, Brittany Baldwin, Emily Battles, Ryder Boles, Bailey Chamberlain, Jaycee Chappell, Andrew Ellinghouse, John Fortner, Evan Grobe, Alanie Lacy, Layne Medler, Damon Stearns, Justin Viers, Tara Williams, and Bronwen Young.

Junior Class Top 10%: Shea Baker, Victoria Bess, Fuyu Fujii, Madilyn Hampton, Shelby Haynes, Mason Keena, Audrey Lutmer, Olivia Milam, Brice Moore, Faith Owens, Blair Rogers, AnnMarie Slaton, and Madison Slaton.

Senior Class Top 10%: Anna Bishop, Sophie Freeman, Savannah Gourley, Eric Hahn, Brooke Hessling, Kelby Hill, Zarah Olson, Erica Parris, Coby Powers, Macy Roper, Brock Simmons, Joshua Sitzes, Emily Smith, and Taylor Watson.

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## Holland Earns \$1,500 Wolpers Scholarship

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#### Holland Earns \$1,500 Wolpers Scholarship

Sara Holland has been awarded the annual Mary Lynn Wolpers Scholarship. The scholarship, valued at \$1,500, is designated for a Poplar Bluff High School senior entering a four-year university or technical school.

Holland was recently accepted as a Show-Me Scholar into Mizzou's honors college, where she plans to major in health sciences/nuclear medicine with a minor in business entrepreneurship. After her undergraduate studies, she would like to receive her doctorate in oncology.

Holland is among the top of her class at PBHS, while remaining active in organizations such as Student Council, Future Business Leaders of America and Future Health Professionals. She also plays varsity tennis.

Since 2007, the Wolpers Scholarship has provided \$16,300 to 13 college-bound students.

Pictured presenting Sara Holland the Wolpers Scholarship on Tuesday, April 30, is Emily Wolpers of the Poplar Bluff Public School Foundation.

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### Holland Earns \$1,000 Laseter Scholarship

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#### Holland Earns \$1,000 Laseter Scholarship

Sara Holland has been awarded the annual Dr. Michael D. Laseter Memorial Scholarship. The scholarship, valued at \$1,000, is designated for a Poplar Bluff High School senior entering the medical field.

Holland was recently accepted into Missouri State University, where she plans to major in health sciences/nuclear medicine with a minor in business entrepreneurship.

In her qualifying essay, Holland wrote that she wishes to pursue her career in the branch of medicine that deals with oncology. Upon completion of her residency, she desires to move home to Poplar Bluff and practice a holistic approach to patient care.

Dr. Laseter was a physician specializing in internal medicine at Kneibert Clinic for over 20 years. After retiring from medicine in 1994, he taught physiology at PBHS voluntarily for five years.

Since 2008, the scholarship fund has provided \$12,000 to a dozen college-bound students.

Pictured presenting Sara Holland the Laseter Scholarship on Tuesday, April 30, is Donna Laseter.

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## Hall earns \$1,000 Foundation Scholarship

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Hall earns \$1,000 Foundation Scholarship

Katlyn Hall has been awarded the annual Poplar Bluff School Foundation Scholarship. The scholarship, valued at \$1,000, is designated for a past or present graduate of PBHS entering the field of education.

Hall plans to begin her college career at Three Rivers taking general education classes, and then transfer to Southeast Missouri State University where she will obtain her teaching degree. She wishes to one day teach at an elementary school in her hometown of Poplar Bluff, according to her scholarship essay.

In addition to holding an office with the Future Teachers of America, Hall serves with the Chionia Volunteer Fire Department.

Since 2001, the Foundation Scholarship has awarded \$21,000 to 21 students, several of whom went on to become teachers for the Poplar Bluff School District.

Pictured presenting Katlyn Hall the Foundation Scholarship on Thursday, April 2, is R-I Superintendent Dr. Scott Dill.

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