

Education

FKHS ATHLETES OF THE WEEK



FKHS WEEK 4 STUDENT ATHLETES — Congratulations to these student athletes for making the FKHS Athlete of the Week! Pictured, Front Row, L to R: Aondrea Adame, JV Softball; Jaida Pursley, Varsity Girls Track; and Emma Barnes, Varsity Girls Swim. Back Row, L to R: Levi Stevenson, JV Boys Track. Not Pictured: Brody Foster, Varsity Baseball. Courtesy Photo



CONGRATULATIONS FIELD KINDLEY ATHLETES OF THE WEEK — Congratulations on all of the hard work you have put forth! Keep it up! Pictured are: Front Row, L to R: Brynlee Wright, JV Girls Track; and Carrington Leeds, Varsity Girls Swim. Back Row, L to R: Jarvis Hall, Varsity Boys Tennis; Micheal Caldwell, Varsity Baseball; Jeffrey Cavaness, JV Baseball; and Kei'Asian Riley, Varsity Boys Track. Not pictured: Sara Heady, Varsity Softball; Juana Francisco Andres, JV Softball; Atina Colbert, Varsity Girls Track; and Christian Alejo Alvarado, JV Boys Track. Courtesy Photo

POWERLIFTER SIGNS



Senior Audrey Cavaness signed a letter of intent Friday, April 17, 2026 to Powerlifting at Coffeyville Community College next fall. Shown with Audrey are her parents, Josh and Amanda and her brother, Jeffrey. Congratulations, Audrey! Courtesy Photo

• CCC Technical

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SkillsUSA Kansas empowers Career and Technical Education (CTE) students through industry-driven competitions to become skilled professionals, career-ready leaders, and responsible community leaders. The organization provides students with the opportunity to demonstrate their technical abilities while developing leadership and workplace skills.

The individual carpentry contest challenged students to build a framed structure based on plans provided shortly before the competition began. Competitors were evaluated on measurements, accuracy, craftsmanship, safety, and a written knowledge assessment.

Allen scored 1,006 points out of 1,050 possible points, while Webster finished with 976 points, demonstrating the high level of preparation and skill developed through the Coffeyville Construction Technology program.

In addition to the student honors, Coffeyville Community College also received the SkillsUSA Quality Chapter Award, earning bronze recognition for growth and increased participation in SkillsUSA activities.

"It was exciting to hear of our success within the first year of participating. Clint has prepared the students

well; we look forward to representing Coffeyville at the national competition," said Heather Pollet, Vice President for Career and Technical Education.

Allen said the experience has helped open doors for his future career plans. "I got my foot in the door with Crossland by doing an internship this summer," Allen said. "I want to continue to be in the construction and carpentry industry. I do enjoy it, and it would be nice to be a contractor someday."

The success reflects the hands-on training opportunities available through Coffeyville Community College, where students gain real-world experience and prepare for in-demand careers in skilled trades such as Automotive Collision and Refinishing Technology, Automotive Technology, Construction Technology, Electrical Technology, Heating, Ventilation and Air Conditioning (HVAC), Machining and Manufacturing Technology, Plumbing Technology, and Welding Technology. Other in-demand career opportunities with Coffeyville Community College include Associate Degree Nurse, Certified Nurse Aide, Certified Medication Aide, Emergency Medical Technician, Fire Science, Medical Assistant, Paramedic, Phlebotomy and Practical Nursing.

With state medals now in hand and a national competition ahead, the future is

bright for Coffeyville Community College Technical Campus students as they continue building successful careers in the trades.



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County looks

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here and one of the things that we were discussing was the creation of a reserve fund. Currently, public works and rural fire both have an equipment reserve fund where at the end of the year any unused monies within their accounts are transferred to help in the purchase of backhoes and things of that nature. Currently one of our funds is our general fund, Fund 33, that's what we call the capital outlay or CIP fund, and that is where we would purchase software such a cyber security equipment, police cars, things of that nature — that would be monies allocated for those big expenditures.

"In thinking about this, Fund 33 is a levied fund, meaning tax dollars are allocated in mills to fund that account so that we can purchase those large expensive items," he stated. "The reserve fund would be a non-levied fund, meaning tax dollars are not assessed to build the dollar amount inside that fund. It is strictly based off of transfers that are scheduled within the budget and at the end of the year." Commissioner Phil Clubine added, "I see this as a savings account for the CIP projects."

Regrading the proposed reserve fund, County Sheriff Ron Wade interjected with concern about potential loss of funds for his department. He explained that his department had set aside \$500,000 for the purchase of vehicles and \$300,000 for computer upgrades and cyber security in 2025 but due to a mix-up was unable to spend those funds last year. Booe assured him that monies in the new reserve fund would still be allocated by line item to different departments for their use accordingly and that the Sheriff's Office would not lose any of its current purchasing power. The Commissioners have asked for a detailed five-year CIP

plan to be submitted from each department to create these line items. Commissioner Robert Bever added, "It would show up as cash going into the next year which would lower the amount that we would have to tax when we put together the next budget." The Commissioners approved.

Matt Debo, Environmental Health and Zoning, came forward with White and Booe to present bids for the comprehensive plan RFP containing county zoning regulations. "All the RFPs that I am handing you today are being looked at for the first time this morning," Booe explained. "Based on the wording of the RFP, they are distributed in open session to you." Commissioner Bever requested that the RFPs be published on the county website for transparency. The Commissioners agreed to table this discussion until they have had time to read the presented material.

Melody Kikkert, County Appraiser, then came forward with White and Booe to review the GIS RFPs. They received a total of three. The commission agreed to table this discussion also until they have had time to review the information presented.

Booe requested \$140 per parcel from the general operating fund to fund the county tax sale, which will be held this autumn. There are expected to be 690 parcels listed for sale. The Commissioners approved.

The next meeting of the County Board of Commissioners will be held on Monday, April 27, at 9:00 a.m. in the lower level of the Judicial Center. Everyone is welcome and encouraged to attend. Recordings of the meetings are available for viewing at the new county website www.ks-montgomerycounty.civicplus.com under the agendas section

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Tuesday, April 28th

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Wednesday, April 29th

Tuna Salad with W.W. Bread, Confetti Corn, Sliced Tomatoes, Fruit of the Day, Milk

Thursday, April 30th

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