



# Thirty-Second Annual

2015

*Governor's Scholars  
Award Program*



It's my pleasure to welcome you to the Governor's Scholars Program. Your hard work has made Kansas proud!

The Governor's Scholars Program has been a time-honored tradition, recognizing extraordinary graduating seniors for the past 32 years. Congratulations on joining this elite group of Kansans who performed in the top one percent of their high school graduating class.

Now that you are on to bigger and better things, I hope you will use the extraordinary skills you have acquired for the next step. While the world keeps evolving, technology keeps revolutionizing and competition keeps mounting, one thing that remains constant is the benefit of education. By pursuing higher education, your opportunities will be limitless and your contributions will be immeasurable. Congratulations again on your success and may you have much success in the years to come!

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Sam Brownback". The signature is written in a cursive, flowing style.

SAM BROWNBACK  
Governor of the State of Kansas



**2015**  
**Governor's Scholars Award Program**  
**Sunday, May 3, 2015**

***Day's Activities***

*Registration*

*Noon*

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**Welcome**

**Introductions and Remarks**

*1:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.*

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*Dr. Randy Pembroke*

*Vice President of Academic Affairs, Washburn University*

*Dale M. Dennis*

*Kansas Deputy Commissioner of Education*

*Shannon Ralph*

*2015 Kansas Teacher of the Year*

*Presentation of Colors*

*Brad Neuenswander*

*Kansas Interim Commissioner of Education*

*Remarks*

*Governor Sam Brownback*

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**Presentation of Awards**

**Governor Sam Brownback**

*1:30 p.m.*

## Scholars and Principals Represented

### (By School's City)

#### **Abilene High School, Abilene**

*Principal: Ben Smith*  
Samantha Brown  
Jordan Luty

#### **Northern Heights High School, Allen**

*Principal: David Kehres*  
Sarah Moyer

#### **Wabaunsee High School, Alma**

*Principal: Jeff Stuewe*  
Alyssa M. Hurla

#### **Northern Valley High School, Almena**

*Principal: Steve Taylor*  
Brant Nathan Cox

#### **Labette County High School, Altamont**

*Principal: Marty Anderson*  
Janel Marie Baker  
Caleb Andrew Mathes

#### **Andale High School, Andale**

*Principal: Stan May*  
Trevor Clevenger  
John McKean

#### **Andover Central High School, Andover**

*Principal: Cheryl Hochhalter*  
Katrina Beatie  
Andrew Monroe

#### **Andover High School, Andover**

*Principal: Bob Baier*  
Daria Gretchen Hagan  
Nicholas Giuliano Harrelson

#### **Chaparral High School, Anthony**

*Principal: Ron Levan*  
Bryce Duhon

#### **Argonia High School, Argonia**

*Principal: Aaron Dewlen*  
Austin Tracy

#### **Arkansas City High School, Arkansas City**

*Principal: Dr. Dave Zumwalt*  
Allyson Rachel Burr  
Parker Ray Welch

#### **Northeast High School, Arma**

*Principal: Jason Clemensen*  
Timothy Michael Peternell

#### **Ashland High School, Ashland**

*Principal: Dr. Brian Pekarek*  
John Richard Spare

#### **Atchison High School, Atchison**

*Principal: Forest Covey*  
Nash Shults

#### **Maur Hill-Mount Academy, Atchison**

*Principal: Monika King*  
Christopher Mulholland

#### **Attica High School, Attica**

*Principal: Josh Lanning*  
Chelsea Lynn Casper

#### **Rawlins County High School, Atwood**

*Principal: Delbert Schmidt*  
Rhett David Mizer

#### **Augusta High School, Augusta**

*Principal: Donna Zerr*  
Nathan Scott Kroeker  
Dillon Austin Thompson

#### **Axtell High School, Axtell**

*Principal: Lucus Dalinghaus*  
Andrew Lloyd Feldkamp

#### **Baldwin High School, Baldwin**

*Principal: Rob McKim*  
Grace Mader

#### **Basehor-Linwood High School, Basehor**

*Principal: Sherry Reeves*  
Kennedy A. Bowers  
Daniel F. Tady

#### **Baxter Springs High School, Baxter Springs**

*Principal: Cory White*  
Thad Kelly White

#### **Northeast Magnet High School, Bel Aire**

*Principal: Matt Creasman*  
Quailan N. Homann  
Andy M. Le

#### **Belle Plaine High School, Belle Plaine**

*Principal: Monte Stewart*  
Kaylee Jo VonFeldt

#### **Republic County High School, Belleville**

*Principal: Alan Sheets*  
Joni Simms Sheets

**Beloit High School, Beloit**

*Principal: Daryl Moore*  
Ronald James Jackson

**St. John's High School, Beloit**

*Principal: Marcy Kee*  
Shanell Criswell

**Bennington High School, Bennington**

*Principal: Steve Rivers*  
Dustin Powell Stanley

**Cheylin High School, Bird City**

*Principal: Shelly Angelos*  
Jacob Gary Brubaker  
Anna-Lura E. Frisbie

**Valley Heights High School, Blue Rapids**

*Principal: Shelly Swayne*  
Sidney Leigh Blackburn

**Bonner Springs High School, Bonner Springs**

*Principal: Dr. Joe Hornback*  
Rachel Jean Johnson  
Samuel Nelson

**Brewster High School, Brewster**

*Principal: Shea Rothchild*  
Dara Roulier

**Ell-Saline High School, Brookville**

*Principal: Susan Wildeman*  
Collyn Fouard

**Bucklin High School, Bucklin**

*Principal: Carol Whisman*  
Janae Price

**Buhler High School, Buhler**

*Principal: Michael Ellegood*  
Margaret Victoria Starr  
Coral Hamilton Walker

**Central High School, Burden**

*Principal: Shane Walter*  
John Michael Taylor

**Burlingame High School, Burlingame**

*Principal: Tammy Baird*  
Jordan Rae Herrick

**Burlington High School, Burlington**

*Principal: Don Hilliard*  
Marisa Rose Haselhuhn

**Burrton High School, Burrton**

*Principal: Joan Simoneau*  
Abigail Rose Winter

**Caldwell High School, Caldwell**

*Principal: Kevin Schmidt*  
Kaden Halling

**Canton-Galva High School, Canton**

*Principal: Brent Kaempfe*  
Tanner Lee Klingensmith

**Santa Fe Trail High School, Carbondale**

*Principal: Patrick Graham*  
Colin Gabriel McIver

**Cedar Vale High School, Cedar Vale**

*Principal: Jacqueline Burdette*  
Demi Marie Ames

**Centralia High School, Centralia**

*Principal: John Whetzal*  
Jennifer Crowther

**Chanute High School, Chanute**

*Principal: Kent Wire*  
Bailey Lael Herzberg

**Chapman High School, Chapman**

*Principal: Kevin Suther*  
Anna Margret Frick

**Chase High School, Chase**

*Principal: Glenna Grinstead*  
Molly Root

**Cheney High School, Cheney**

*Principal: Greg Rosenhagen*  
Chase Alexander McCormick

**Southeast High School, Cherokee**

*Principal: Larry Malle*  
Jarod Watson

**Cherryvale High School, Cherryvale**

*Principal: George Owens*  
Brooke Elizabeth Blaes

**Chetopa High School, Chetopa**

*Principal: Cody Hamilton*  
Philip Douglas Moses

**Cimarron High School, Cimarron**

*Principal: John Luhrs*  
Jessica Wehkamp

**Central Plains High School, Claflin**

*Principal: Toby Holmes*  
Abby Stueder

**Clay Center Community High School,  
Clay Center**

*Principal: Bud Young*  
Erika Lynn Swaim

**Clearwater High School, Clearwater**

*Principal: Bob Mellen*  
Dane Matthew Rausch

**Clifton Clyde High School, Clyde**

*Principal: Corey Reese*  
Julia Rogers

**Field Kindley High School, Coffeyville**

*Principal: Blake Vargas*  
Carina M. Zogg

**Colby High School, Colby**

*Principal: Troy Keiswetter*  
Bridget Bickner

**South Central High School, Coldwater**

*Principal: Ty Theurer*  
Abby Gales

**Crest High School, Colony**

*Principal: Chuck Mahon*  
Regan Sue Ann Morrison

**Columbus High School, Columbus**

*Principal: Tony Shearburn*  
David Windsor

**Concordia High School, Concordia**

*Principal: Bryce Wach*  
Robin Nicole Daniels

**Conway Springs High School,**

**Conway Springs**

*Principal: Brent Harrell*  
Janelle Pauly

**Chase County High School, Cottonwood Falls**

*Principal: Gregg Errebo*  
Ashley Nicole Tubach

**Council Grove High School, Council Grove**

*Principal: Kelly McDiffett*  
Samantha Ann Davidson

**Cunningham High School, Cunningham**

*Principal: Robert Reed*  
Elijah McAdam

**De Soto High School, De Soto**

*Principal: Dustin Mortenson*  
Nicholas Mechler  
Xena Moore

**Deerfield High School, Deerfield**

*Principal: Tammie Sabata*  
Kayden Anne Webb

**Derby High School, Derby**

*Principal: Tim Hamblin*  
Rachael Danielle Brewer  
Austin Nicholas Keller  
Nicholas Ross Lankford  
Jennah Leigh Minnick  
Emily Grace Roets

**Dexter High School, Dexter**

*Principal: Robert Holmes*  
Courtney Anne Kuntz

**Dighton High School, Dighton**

*Principal: Mark Penka*  
Rebecca Harmison

**Dodge City High School, Dodge City**

*Principal: Jacque Feist*  
Macy Mock  
Jhett Ostrom  
Armando Rubio  
Camryn Williamson

**Douglass High School, Douglass**

*Principal: Scott Dunham*  
Hannah Short

**Lakeside High School, Downs**

*Principal: Kyle Beisner*  
Joshua Levi Arnoldy

**Pleasant Ridge High School, Easton**

*Principal: Andy Metsker*  
Sarajo Mance

**Atchison County Community High School,  
Effingham**

*Principal: Deanna Scherer*  
Jeremy David Lutz

**El Dorado High School, El Dorado**

*Principal: Kevin House*  
Stephanie Michelle McGivern  
Courtney Lynn Vaughters

**Berean Academy, Elbing**

*Principal: Galen Unruh*  
Keren Ruth Duerksen

**Elkhart High School, Elkhart**

*Principal: Rex Richardson*  
Keyah Paige Richardson

**Ellinwood High School, Ellinwood**

*Principal: Shawn Henderson*  
Shiani Hughes

**Ellis High School, Ellis***Principal: Corey Burton*

Ashley Rene Butler

**Ellsworth High School, Ellsworth***Principal: Dale Brungardt*

Nathaniel Clark Trapp

**Emporia High School, Emporia***Principal: Dr. Britton Hart*

Sierra Danielle Carr

Meg Irene Detwiler

Brettany M. Williams

**Erie High School, Erie***Principal: Noah Francis*

Lauren Johnson

**Mission Valley High School, Eskridge***Principal: Charlie Chesmore*

Jennifer Coats

**Eudora High School, Eudora***Principal: Ron Abel*

Nathaniel Guy Weeks

**Eureka High School, Eureka***Principal: Stacy Coulter*

Danielle Mouer

**Fort Scott High School, Fort Scott***Principal: Shawn Thomas*

Meredith Hill

Benjamin Labbe

**Fowler High School, Fowler***Principal: Mark Cook*

Aaron Tate Shumard

**Frankfort High School, Frankfort***Principal: Dean Dalinghaus*

Alex Joseph Roeder

**Fredonia High School, Fredonia***Principal: Jim Lambert*

Kiley Shay Baker

**Frontenac High School, Frontenac***Principal: Ted Hessong*

Nathan Curtiss Hemby

**Galena High School, Galena***Principal: Toby VanCleave*

Haley Hall

**Garden City High School, Garden City***Principal: James Mireles*

Sydney Bellows

Tania Isabel Carmona Pastrana

Austin Scott Greathouse

Claire Elizabeth Schmidt

**Garden Plain High School, Garden Plain***Principal: Tracy Bourne*

Gunnar Joseph Gassmann

**Gardner-Edgerton High School, Gardner***Principal: Mark Meyer*

Sydney Marie Eaton

Sean Isaac Grossnickle

Jacob Austin Farnsworth Haywood

Cooper Matthew McGuire

**Anderson County High School, Garnett***Principal: Kenny Kellstadt*

Melissa Kropf

**Girard High School, Girard***Principal: Todd Ferguson*

Sarah Emily Rawlings

**Glasco High School, Glasco***Principal: Eric Winters*

Trey Edward Bellows

**Eisenhower High School, Goddard***Principal: Dr. Bill Kelley*

Francis Dwornicki

Linnea Ristow

**Goddard High School, Goddard***Principal: Doug Bridwell*

Rachel L. Barrett

Jordan M. Gorges

**Goessel High School, Goessel***Principal: Scott Boden*

Erin Brubaker

**Goodland High School, Goodland***Principal: Greg Ferguson*

Cheyenne Nicole Ortner

**Wheatland High School, Grainfield***Principal: Gary Kraus*

Taylor Lynn Tustin

**Great Bend High School, Great Bend***Principal: Tim Friess*

Michaela Alexandra Cape

Anna Victoria Frizell

Maycie Rachelle Hestand

**Kiowa County High School, Greensburg**

*Principal: Randy Fulton*  
Micah Cole Kendall

**Southeast of Saline High School, Gypsum**

*Principal: Monte Couchman*  
Brian W. Eddings

**Halstead High School, Halstead**

*Principal: Joe Gerber*  
Mallory Blythe Williams

**Hamilton High School, Hamilton**

*Principal: Diana Riley*  
Caroline Sage Woodie

**Hanover High School, Hanover**

*Principal: Douglas Wilson*  
Pamela Anne Zarybnicky

**Hartford High School, Hartford**

*Principal: Aaric Davis*  
Mason W. Esch

**Haven High School, Haven**

*Principal: Marty Nienstedt*  
Betty Ausherman

**Hays High School, Hays**

*Principal: Martin Straub*  
Conrad Hoffman  
Sydney Vahling

**Thomas More Prep-Marian High School, Hays**

*Principal: Kathy Taylor*  
Grace Volker

**Healy High School, Healy**

*Principal: Dr. Paul Sellon*  
Kiara Chambrie Sharp

**Herington High School, Herington**

*Principal: Brandi Hendrix*  
Micayla Elaine Stika

**Hiawatha High School, Hiawatha**

*Principal: Andrew Gaddis*  
Katharine Elaine Rosa'

**Doniphan West High School, Highland**

*Principal: Chris Lackey*  
Tynan Joel Bollinger

**Hill City High School, Hill City**

*Principal: Alan Stein*  
Hannah Berland

**Hillsboro High School, Hillsboro**

*Principal: Max Heinrichs*  
Jakob Hanschu

**Hoisington High School, Hoisington**

*Principal: Meg Wilson*  
Natalie Alexis Sanders

**Holcomb High School, Holcomb**

*Principal: Rob Schneeberger*  
Jared Alexis Medina

**Holton High School, Holton**

*Principal: Rod Wittmer*  
Ashley Kay Cook

**Jackson Heights High School, Holton**

*Principal: Darren Shupe*  
William Gregory Patterson

**Hope High School, Hope**

*Principal: Mike Teeter*  
Abby Brianne Ink

**Horton High School, Horton**

*Principal: David Norman*  
Kyle James Becker

**West Elk High School, Howard**

*Principal: Juli Young*  
Emily Dawn Perkins

**Hoxie High School, Hoxie**

*Principal: Gary Johnson*  
Lisa Marie Stone

**Royal Valley High School, Hoyt**

*Principal: Jim Holloman*  
Brandon Broxterman

**Hugoton High School, Hugoton**

*Principal: John Girodat*  
Lauren Elizabeth Fox

**Humboldt High School, Humboldt**

*Principal: John Johnson*  
Joshua Hawley

**Central Christian High School, Hutchinson**

*Principal: Tim Kuhns*  
Bethany K. Duree

**Hutchinson High School, Hutchinson**

*Principal: Ronn Roehm*  
Colton Harper  
McKenzie Miller  
Madelyn Page  
Hanna Schreiber

**Trinity Catholic High School, Hutchinson**

*Principal: Joe Hammersmith*  
Kayla Marie Mesh

**Independence High School, Independence**

*Principal: Douglas Beisel*

Abigail Groff

Zachary Douglas Stacy

**Ingalls High School, Ingalls**

*Principal: Steve Johnson*

Meriah Marie Escarcega

**Inman High School, Inman**

*Principal: Scott Friesen*

Ty Strange

**Iola High School, Iola**

*Principal: Stacey Fager*

Alex Bauer

**Hodgeman County High School, Jetmore**

*Principal: Dexter Leach*

Greta Jean Bauer

**Stanton County High School, Johnson**

*Principal: Randall Jansonius*

Haley Danielle Floyd

**Junction City High School, Junction City**

*Principal: Melissa Sharp*

Antonio Carter, Jr.

Neil Thomas Glaser

Katharine E. Kellogg

Daniel Young Sul

**St. Xavier High School, Junction City**

*Principal: Russell Swisher*

Krystina H. Sunley

**Bishop Ward High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Karen Hopson*

Richard Cassidy

**FL Schlagle High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Yolanda Thompson*

Ray'Monik C. Brown

Nayeline Delosangeles Coronilla-Guerrero

**JC Harmon High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Geoffrey Markos*

Jesus Galvan

Tasha Rochelle Jackson

Ana Maria Simental

**Piper High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Dr. Michael Schumacher*

Taylor M. Beashore

Lyndi Ann Lloyd

**Sumner Academy, Kansas City**

*Principal: Jonathan Richard*

Marie Fernande Abed

Nouksapha Phomsouvanh

**Turner High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Paul Colwell*

Silvana Alcantara

Jessica Morris

Susan Vongphrachanh

**Washington High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Dr. Maritza Paul*

Mason Christopher Fortner

Kaytlynn Pulley

Far Hnem Zing

**Wyandotte High School, Kansas City**

*Principal: Mary Stewart*

Kimberly Escobar

Karla Guzman

Donte Walters

**Thunder Ridge High School, Kensington**

*Principal: Jeff Yoxall*

Brianna M. Shaw

**Kingman High School, Kingman**

*Principal: Andy Albright*

Samantha Rohlman

**Kinsley High School, Kinsley**

*Principal: William King*

Alexandra Payton Herrmann

**South Barber High School, Kiowa**

*Principal: Brent Shaffer*

Paige Koblitz

**Southwestern Heights High School, Kismet**

*Principal: Dan Frisby*

Austin Metcalf

**La Crosse High School, La Crosse**

*Principal: Kathy Keeley*

Alyssa M. Oborny

**Prairie View High School, LaCygne**

*Principal: Timothy Weis*

Sidney Renee Snyder

**Lakin High School, Lakin**

*Principal: Tim Robertson*

Aubrey L. Horton

**Fairfield High School, Langdon**

*Principal: Jason Briar*

Megan Nichole Serviss

**Lansing High School, Lansing**

*Principal: Steve Dike*  
Emily Faith Laurence  
Daniel M. Santos

**Larned High School, Larned**

*Principal: Troy Langdon*  
Nicole Dipman

**Bishop Seabury Academy, Lawrence**

*Principal: Don Schawang*  
Charles Arnold

**Free State High School, Lawrence**

*Principal: Ed West*  
Abby Ilardi  
Sarah Alice Lieberman  
Adam Strathman  
Marlee Yost-Wolff

**Lawrence High School, Lawrence**

*Principal: Dr. Matt Brungardt*  
Brian Chang  
Joo-Young Lee  
Benjamin Rajewski

**Immaculata High School, Leavenworth**

*Principal: Helen Schwinn*  
Mary Kate Wolken

**Leavenworth High School, Leavenworth**

*Principal: Dr. Tom Barry*  
Taylor Brunson  
Maisie Conrad  
Abigail Lee  
Hallie Lucas

**Lebo High School, Lebo**

*Principal: Richard Burkdoll*  
Alexa Thomas

**St. James Academy, Lenexa**

*Principal: Karla Leibham*  
Mary Engen  
Catherine Pham

**Bluestem High School, Leon**

*Principal: Brian Minks*  
Evan Esparza

**Wichita County High School, Leoti**

*Principal: Keith Higgins*  
Skyler Hembree

**Southern Coffey County High School, LeRoy**

*Principal: Dr. Bobbi Williams*  
Brittne Brite

**Liberal High School, Liberal**

*Principal: Rafe Begley*  
Robert Buchanan  
Katherine G. Hernandez-Barahona  
Adelina Parral

**Lincoln High School, Lincoln**

*Principal: David Kirkendall*  
Kaitlyn Jo Mahin

**Smoky Valley High School, Lindsborg**

*Principal: Marc Williams*  
Nils John Peterson

**Linn High School, Linn**

*Principal: Mike Savage*  
Nicole Ohlde

**Little River High School, Little River**

*Principal: Shawn Koehn*  
Rebecca Hawkinson

**Logan High School, Logan**

*Principal: Kellen Adams*  
Kodi D. Van Laeys

**Elk Valley High School, Longton**

*Principal: Jason Crawford*  
Forrest Marshall Dowell

**Centre High School, Lost Springs**

*Principal: Brian Smith*  
Justin D. Bina

**Louisburg High School, Louisburg**

*Principal: Dave Tappan*  
Tanner Clarkson Myers  
Mason Richard Wilde

**Lyndon High School, Lyndon**

*Principal: Brad Marcotte*  
Autumn Jannae Weir

**Lyons High School, Lyons**

*Principal: Kelly Nusser*  
Kayla Reid

**Macksville High School, Macksville**

*Principal: Stephanie Brandyberry*  
Elizabeth H. Penner

**Madison High School, Madison**

*Principal: Ryan Bradbury*  
Kaitlin Gehring

**Maize High School, Maize**

*Principal: Chris Botts*  
Samuel Bayliff  
Danielle Gerety  
Sarah Jensen  
Spencer Tammany

**Manhattan High School, Manhattan**

*Principal: Greg Hoyt*  
Sachin Ratra DeYoung  
Reid M. Erdwien  
Adam Hupp  
Madison L. Urban

**Rock Hills High School, Mankato**

*Principal: Sam Meyers*  
Tyler Marr

**Marion High School, Marion**

*Principal: Tod Gordon*  
Samantha Davies

**Marysville High School, Marysville**

*Principal: Darren Schroeder*  
Chloe Estee Cudney

**McLouth High School, McLouth**

*Principal: Mark Dodge*  
Jacob Cole Bowman

**Elyria Christian High School, McPherson**

*Principal: Rhonda Stucky*  
Quentin Vashni Pease

**McPherson High School, McPherson**

*Principal: Bret McClendon*  
Dakota Austin Cavanaugh  
Nicole Marie Gieselman

**Meade High School, Meade**

*Principal: Scott Moshier*  
Rainna Kae Reimer

**Medicine Lodge High School, Medicine Lodge**

*Principal: Darryl Honas*  
Hannah Elizabeth Eck

**Marais Des Cygnes Valley High School,  
Melvern**

*Principal: Thad Thurston*  
Julie Anne Heslop

**Jefferson West High School, Meriden**

*Principal: Rhonda Frakes*  
Kayla Marie Lawsen

**Miltonvale High School, Miltonvale**

*Principal: Regina Wallace*  
Jessica Jane Hartley

**Minneapolis High School, Minneapolis**

*Principal: Jay Macy*  
Jeffrey Allan Austin

**Minneola High School, Minneola**

*Principal: Brandon Haynes*  
Jayda Minor

**South Gray High School, Montezuma**

*Principal: Tim Skinner*  
Cassy Denae Watson

**Marmaton Valley High School, Moran**

*Principal: Kim Ensminger*  
Emily Boyd

**Moscow High School, Moscow**

*Principal: Greg Brown*  
Carley Hockett

**Jayhawk Linn High School, Mound City**

*Principal: Jim Dillon*  
Kady Laporte

**Moundridge High School, Moundridge**

*Principal: Clark Wedel*  
Cade A. Graber

**Mulvane High School, Mulvane**

*Principal: Dr. Jay Ensley*  
Taylor R. Bradley  
Meghan R. Carver

**Natoma High School, Natoma**

*Principal: Aaron Homburg*  
Kourtney Grafel

**Neodesha High School, Neodesha**

*Principal: Terry Wilson*  
Frederick Ross Porter

**Ness City High School, Ness City**

*Principal: Tom Flax*  
Kaitlyn Maree Dinges

**Newton High School, Newton**

*Principal: Roger Erickson*  
Wyatt Burbrink  
Cameron Cassil  
Lynden Voth

**Nickerson High School, Nickerson**

*Principal: Rick Blosser*  
Payten Diane Smith

**Norton Community High School, Norton**

*Principal: Rudy Perez*  
Macy Allen Kasson

**Norwich High School, Norwich**

*Principal: Wayne Morrow*  
Kortney Elouise Heimerman

**Oakley High School, Oakley**

*Principal: Marlo Klassen*  
Emma Lynae Slack

**Decatur Community High School, Oberlin**

*Principal: Benjamin Jimenez*  
Regent Erickson

**Heritage Christian Academy, Olathe**

*Principal: Steve Adams*  
Phillip Alexander Wendte

**Olathe East High School, Olathe**

*Principal: Dr. Bill Weber*  
Erica Chang  
Sarvajna Saurabh Harohalli  
Adam Khan  
Justin Lee  
Haotian Xue

**Olathe North High School, Olathe**

*Principal: David Morford CAA*  
Carolyn Adele Culp  
Marisha Sai Madhira  
Mary Katherine Meili Mitchell  
Akshay Prabhushankar  
Mark Edward Vrablic

**Olathe Northwest High School, Olathe**

*Principal: Dr. Gwen Poss*  
Gregory Matthew Bixler  
Lee Fitchett  
Naiya Patel  
Ashwanth Joshua Samuel  
Harneet Sanghera

**Olathe South High School, Olathe**

*Principal: Phil Clark*  
Zizhao Chen  
Isaiah Hastings  
Benjamin Hix  
Megan Lanier  
Gretchen Reed  
Callie Van Winkle

**Olpe High School, Olpe**

*Principal: Shane Clark*  
Joseph Redeker

**Onaga High School, Onaga**

*Principal: Adam McDaniel*  
Rebekah Nicole Glessner

**Osage City High School, Osage City**

*Principal: Tony Heward*  
Jacob Clarence Butterfield

**Osawatomie High School, Osawatomie**

*Principal: Doug Chisam*  
Shelby Renee Cooke

**Osborne High School, Osborne**

*Principal: Tom Conway*  
Parkes Wolters

**Oskaloosa High School, Oskaloosa**

*Principal: Brent Mumford*  
Brianna Elizabeth Brooks

**Oswego High School, Oswego**

*Principal: Shelly Livingston*  
Kathryn Solomon

**Otis-Bison High School, Otis**

*Principal: Mark Goodheart*  
Shawna Rae Serpan

**Ottawa High School, Ottawa**

*Principal: Dr. Ryan Cobbs*  
Jaina Lauren Mills  
Katherine Michelle Webber

**Blue Valley High School, Overland Park**

*Principal: Scott Bacon*  
Allen Chen  
Arjun Prakash  
Rashin Rajasingh  
Nicholas Williams

**Blue Valley North High School, Overland Park**

*Principal: Dr. David Stubblefield*  
Yuyang (Michael) Chu  
Victor Gonzalez  
Ramanan Sivakumar  
Judy Jiajing Wang

**Blue Valley Northwest High School,  
Overland Park**

*Principal: Dr. Amy Murphy*  
Meghan Henderson  
Tammy Ma  
Megan Rodrigues  
Brandon Strecker

**Blue Valley Southwest High School,  
Overland Park**

*Principal: Scott Roberts*  
Wes Caldwell  
Shari Gaynes  
Alexander Ghekas  
Justin Hicklin

**Blue Valley West High School, Overland Park**

*Principal: Dr. Brett Potts*

Luisa M. Galhardo

Shyam S. Narayanan

Gabriel P. Ng

Gavin Zhu

**St. Thomas Aquinas High School,  
Overland Park**

*Principal: Dr. William Ford*

Jane Bachkora

Jordan Eberhardy

Jason Frederick

**Oxford High School, Oxford**

*Principal: Mark Whitener*

Ogden Shimkus

**Palco High School, Palco**

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## Number of Students Recognized as Governor's Scholars

<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Participants</u>	<u>Year</u>	<u>Number of Participants</u>
1984		2000	605
1985		2001	503
1986		2002	512
1987		2003	493
1988		2004	534
1989	620	2005	533
1990	581	2006	543
1991	610	2007	547
1992	597	2008	550
1993	658	2009	543
1994	636	2010	535
1995	675	2011	539
1996	699	2012	535
1997	696	2013	541
1998	773	2014	539
1999	827	2015	539

### Kansas Governor's Scholars 2015 Statistics

There are 539 students that will be honored. 527 students responded to the survey.

Of those responding to the Confidence in Kansas Public Education Task Force questionnaire:

1.	Did you participate in co-curricular activities?	Yes	99.5%
		No	0.5%
	If yes, what type?	Athletic	2.5%
		Non-Athletic	19.0%
		Both	78.5%
2.	Will you continue a formal education?	Yes	99.8%
		No	0.2%
		Undecided	0.0%
	Where will you attend college?	In Kansas	63.4%
		Out of Kansas	19.0%
		Undecided	17.6%
3.	Do you plan to enter the military or workforce immediately?	Yes	0.4%
		No	99.6%

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