

AJ VS LEGION BOYS BASKETBALL

NCHS Animal Advocates Club



AJ #2 TYRONE GILFORD GETTING BY TWO LEGION PLAYERS #3 AMARION TURNER AND #4 KANYE NELSON TO GET TO THE BASKET.....AJ LOST 51-50 (photo Gwynn Leaird)



"North Central High School students who are part of the Animal Advocates club have a big heart for shelter and homeless animals. They have turned these feelings of compassion into action over the last few months. They chose to work with Kershaw County Humane Society (KCHS) to meet immediate needs of the animals in their care. In December, students held a blanket, food, and toy drive. Three large boxes were collected and taken to KCHS. Most recently students made rope pull toys from old t-shirts. Hailey Fritts and Jesenia Gallegos are pictured here with the rope toys made by the club and the edible treats the girls made at home."

Region Three Junior Band



Congratulations to CMS band students Abbie Absher and Lacey Boone. Abbie earned first chair in the Region Three Junior Band, which covers six counties of the midlands. Lacey Boone is the first chair in Region Three Junior Band and South Carolina Junior All-State Band. It is a great accomplishment to earn first chair in your region and state. Hard work pays off.

(Above) L-R Abbie Absher, Nancy Neal and Lacey Boone.

SC State Fair accepting applications for Ride of Your Life Scholarship

2021 marks 24th year of helping South Carolina students pay for college

(Feb. 3, 2021) COLUMBIA, S.C. — The South Carolina State Fair is accepting applications for its Ride of Your Life Scholarship program.

Fifty \$6,000 scholarships will be awarded to high school seniors across the state and will be paid out at \$1,500 a year over four years. Students pursuing two-year degrees will receive \$1,500 per year over the two-year period.

The scholarship funds must be used at a South Carolina university, college, or institution and may cover tuition or other educational expenses such as on-campus housing, a computer, or textbooks.

Scholarships are awarded based on academic and extracurricular achievement, communication skills, need and completeness of the application.

Scholarship applications must be completed online at scstatefair.org by March 15. The State Fair Scholars will be notified in mid - May.

The South Carolina State Fair "Ride of Your Life" Scholarship Program awards \$300,000 in scholarships each year.

"Education is the fair's mission, and we feel strongly it is of utmost importance to continue our scholarship program this year, even though the pandemic greatly affected the SC State Fair in 2020," said State Fair general manager, Nancy Smith. "We know that students will need extra funding for college more than ever."

Recipients must retain a 3.0 GPA on a 4.0 scale and enroll in no less than 30 credit hours each academic year to receive funding for that year.

Prospective scholars or parents can get additional information at scstatefair.org or by contacting Betsy Cooper at betsyc@scstatefair.org or 803-799-3387, ext. 110.

A list of last year's "Ride of Your Life" scholars can also be found online at scstatefair.org.

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2021 Preseason Baseball Invitational

TOURNAMENT FORMAT

Divisional play will be round robin format. The dates for these games will be Sat. 3/6, Mon 3/8, Thurs. 3/11, and Sat. 3/13. Tuesday, Wednesday, and Friday will be used as make-up days. Rain outs should be played on the next available playing date. Visiting team is listed first on schedule. **We are allowing 15 minutes between games or cleaning to follow SCHSL and DHEC Guidelines for COVID-19.**

Andrew Jackson Volunteers
Central Eagles
Lancaster Bruins
South Pointe Stallions

Buford Yellow Jackets
Chester Cyclones
Carolina Royals
Catawba Ridge Copperheads

PLAYING DATE AND TIMES

Visiting team is listed first
Saturday March 6, 2021

At Buford

10:00 Carolina Royals vs Catawba Ridge
12:30 Clear dugouts and Stands for COVID Cleaning
12:45 Central vs Lancaster
3:15 Clear dugouts and Stands for COVID Cleaning
3:30 South Pointe vs Andrew Jackson
6:00 Clear dugouts and Stands for COVID Cleaning
6:15 Chester vs Buford

MONDAY Mar. 8

At Andrew Jackson

4:30 Lancaster vs South Pointe
7:00 COVID Cleaning
7:15 Central vs Andrew Jackson

At Buford

4:30 Chester vs Carolina Royals
7:00 COVID Cleaning
7:15 Catawba Ridge vs Buford

THURSDAY Mar.11

At Andrew Jackson

4:30 South Pointe vs Central
7:00 COVID Cleaning
7:15 Lancaster vs Andrew Jackson

At Buford

4:30 Catawba Ridge vs Chester
7:00 COVID Cleaning
7:15 Carolina Royals vs Buford

SATURDAY Mar.13

At Andrew Jackson

10:00 4th place team from each division will play for 7th and 8th place.
12:30 Clear dugouts and Stands for COVID Cleaning
12:45 3rd place team from each division will play for 5th and 6th place.
3:15 Clear dugouts and Stands for COVID Cleaning
3:30 2nd place team from each division will play for 3rd and 4th place.
6:00 Clear dugouts and Stands for COVID Cleaning
6:15 1st place team from each division will play for 1st and 2nd place

Kershaw THE NEWS-ERA ATHLETE OF THE WEEK

AJ #2 TYRONE GILFORD MAKING HIS WAY DOWN THE COURT WITH THE BALL WITH LEGION COLLEGIATE #1 SHANE BLAKENEY GUARDING TYRONE....AJ LOST 63-59 (Photo by Gwynn Leaird)



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