

Four CHS seniors named STAR Students



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Pictured (l to r) are 2022-2023 Clinton High School STAR Students and their selected teachers: Caleb Zmitrovich, Jo Purvis, Sam Connelly, Megan Berry, Bo Bland, Alix Williams, Harveen Thind and Nikki Baker.

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Clinton High School seniors Bo Bland, Sam Connelly, Harveen Thind and Caleb Zmitrovich have been named STAR Students for the 2022-2023 school year by the Mississippi Economic Council (MEC) M. B. Swayze Foundation, sponsor of the Student Teacher Achievement Recognition (STAR) program.

Established by the Mississippi Economic Council in 1965, the purpose of the STAR program is to recognize outstanding students and teachers in Mississippi through its Education Celebration.

The four CHS seniors will be honored during the annual Education Celebration on April 13 at the Clyde Muse Center in Pearl.

STAR Students are selected on the basis of academic excellence. Both American College Test scores and scholastic averages are compared to determine the school's STAR Student.

Each STAR Student is asked to designate a STAR Teacher, the teacher who has made the greatest contribution to the student's scholastic achievement.

Alix Williams was designated as STAR Teacher for Bo Bland. Megan Berry was designated as STAR Teacher for Sam Connelly. Nikki Baker was designated STAR Teacher for Harveen Thind and Jo Purvis was designated STAR Teacher for Caleb Zmitrovich.

Over six hundred STAR Students and STAR Teachers will receive recognition from MEC's M.B. Swayze Foundation at the Celebration. The top twenty STAR Students—The ALL-STAR Scholars—will receive scholarships, and their STAR Teachers will receive awards provided by the Kelly Gene Cook, Sr. Charitable Foundation.

The highlight of the Education Celebration will be the naming of the Mississippi ALL-STAR Scholar for the 2022-2023 school year, winner of the coveted \$24,000 Cook Foundation Scholarship.

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