



2022 OHSBCA Hank Miller Memorial Scholarship Recipients

Each year the Board of Directors selects several individuals to be awarded our “Hank Miller Memorial Scholarship.” An eligible applicant must be a graduating son or daughter of a coach who has been an OHSBCA member for a minimum of five consecutive years. This year, 16 worthy students have been awarded a \$500.00 scholarship. Hank Miller, Canton McKinley High School, was inducted into the OHSBCA Hall of Fame in 1975. Hank was a teacher of Industrial Arts and Vocational Carpentry for 39 years. He retired from Canton City Schools in 1989. He coached many sports including tennis, golf, basketball and his favorites football and baseball. He was a World War II veteran who served in the Marine

Corps. Hank graduated from Canton Township High School (Canton South) in 1942 and earned his college degree from Ohio Northern University. His coaching career started at Mogadore High School with other coaching stints at Louisville, Canton Lincoln, Canton McKinley and Glenoak High Schools. Hank was a lifetime member of the National Education Association. Hank was President of the OHSBCA in 1982. He officiated basketball and served as recreational director for the city of Louisville. Hank is a member of the Greater Canton Amateur Sports Hall of Fame and the Ohio Northern University Athletic Hall of Fame. He was the founder of the Hank Miller High School baseball series.



Emily Barberree, Findlay High School: Emily is the daughter of Bill and Traci Barberree. Her father is the Junior Varsity head coach at Findlay High School. Emily was involved in Voices in Perfection, Marching Band, Lacrosse, We the People, Speech & Debate, National Honor Society, Fellowship of Christian Athletes, and the Findlay Theatre program. She is heavily involved in her church, Tri-County Family Assembly of God. Serving on the Worship team, Girl’s Ministries, and as a counselor for Kids and Youth camps. She currently attends Southeastern University Ohio Network Campus, majoring in Pastoral Ministries with a minor in Business.



Michael Benjamin, St. Charles Prep: Michael is the son of Ray and Heather Benjamin. His father Ray is the head baseball coach at St. Charles Prep. Michael was a 3-year letter winner in baseball and second team All conference his senior season. Michael is attending High Point University in North Carolina.



Ryan Benjamin, St. Charles Prep: Ryan is the son of Ray and Heather Benjamin. His father Ray is the head baseball coach at St. Charles Prep. Ryan was a 3-year letter winner in baseball and first team All conference his senior season. Ryan is attending High Point University in North Carolina.



Nicholas R. Cassell, Tecumseh High School: Nicholas is the son of Robert and Kerry Cassell. His father is the assistant Varsity baseball coach at Tecumseh High School and the former head coach at Shawnee High School and Springfield High School. Nicholas received three Varsity letters in baseball and he also earned four academic letters while at Tecumseh. He was a member of The National Honor Society, the Men’s Chorus and the Mixed Chorus. Nicholas is attending Muskingum University, majoring in Criminal Justice and is a member of the baseball team.



Paige Fisher, Sheridan High School: Paige is the daughter of Nicole and Doug Fisher. Her father has been the head baseball coach at Sheridan for the past 21 seasons. While in high school Paige participated in volleyball, basketball, and track. Her other activities include graduating with an Honors Diploma, being a member of the National Honor Society, as well being the chief editor of “The General Idea” school newspaper. Paige is currently attending Ohio University in Athens where she was accepted as an Honor Student into the Scripps College of Journalism.



Chase Hunt, Ashland High School: Chase is the son of Darren and Jennifer Hunt and played at Ashland High School for Head Coach Rick Gough. Chase’s father Darren has been the Varsity Assistant Baseball Coach at Ashland for the past 7 seasons. While at Ashland Chase lettered in baseball all four years and in basketball his senior year. During his senior baseball season, he earned First Team Ohio Cardinal Conference, First Team Division I District 9, and Second Team PBR All Ohio as an outfielder. Chase was also Valedictorian of his class. Chase accepted a baseball scholarship at Division II Ohio Dominican University and is majoring in Computer Science and minoring in mathematics.



Lauren Jensen, Buckeye Central High School: Lauren is the daughter of Chad and Brandi Jensen. Her father is the Head Baseball Coach at Buckeye Central High School. Lauren was very active in high school and was a member of the following organizations: Softball, Basketball, Marching Band, Concert Band, National Honor Society, Teen Institute, Marion/Crawford Teen Institute Prevention Youth Board, Art Club, Drama Club, Fall Play, Musical, Family, Career and Community Leaders of America (FCCLA), Fellowship of Christian Athletes, Student Council (secretary), Spanish Club, and was chosen as a Buckeye Girls State representative. Lauren attends Kent State University and is majoring in Fashion Merchandising.



Cade Meade, North Adams High School: Cade is the son of Rob and Christa Meade. Rob has coached varsity baseball at North Adams for 12 years. Cade is currently playing baseball at Wright State University-Lake Campus. Cade was a member of the National Honor Society and Beta Club while in high school. He was also a four-year member of the basketball and baseball programs. In baseball, Cade was selected All Southern Hills Athletic Conference, 2nd Team All-Southeast District and Honorable Mention All-Ohio. Cade also earned Academic All-Ohio and Academic All-District honors.



Craigery Meade, North Adams High School: Seth is the son of Rob and Christa Meade. Rob has been the head baseball coach at North Adams for 12 years. Seth was a 4-year member of the basketball and baseball teams at North Adams as well as a member of the National Honor Society and Beta Club. During his baseball career he earned Academic All-District and Academic All-Ohio Honors. He was also selected All Southern Hills Athletic Conference and 1st Team All-Southeast District. Seth is studying Business Finance and playing baseball at Wright State University-Lake Campus.



Kale Merillat, Edgerton High School: Kale is the son of Keith and Jawn Merrilat. His father is the former Head Coach and current Athletic Director at Edgerton High School. Kale participated in baseball for four year, earning three letters and also was a member of the Cross Country team and earned two letters. He also was a member of the Quiz Bowl (3 years), Soccer Volunteer Coach (1 Season), Spanish Club Vice-President (4 years), National Honor Society (2 years), Indoor Soccer (3 years), Future Educators of America (1 year) and The Element Church Group (4 years). Kale graduated as the #1 student in his Senior Class.



Jake P Nichols, Northeastern High School: Jake is the son of Will and Misty Nichols. His father is the former Head Coach at Northeastern High School as well as Triad High School. Jake was a three sport All League athlete earning 10 varsity letters during his high school career. During his senior baseball season, Jake was named All League Player of the Year, as well as earning All Area and All Ohio honors. He also broke several school records in baseball and football. He excelled in the classroom as a member of the National Technical Honor Society and received Academic Excellence and Scholar Athlete Awards. Jake attends Clark State University where he is playing baseball and majoring in Mechanical Engineering.



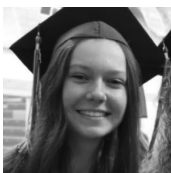
Ellison Roark, Carey High School: Ellison is the daughter of Joey and Mandi Roark. Her father, Joey, is the head baseball coach at Carey High School and has coached for 13 years. Ellison earned 4 varsity letters in track and was a state qualifier in the 4x200 meter relay in 2019 and 2021. She was also a 3 year team captain and 3 year varsity letter winner in volleyball, earning league and district honors her senior year. In volleyball, she obtained 1,000+ career digs and set the single season record at Carey for most digs in a season. Ellison also earned 3 varsity letters in basketball, earning league honors her senior year. While in high school, she was a class representative, a member of Ohio Scholar's Association, Teen Leadership Corps, and Spanish club. She completed her academic career with a 4.0 GPA and was in the top 10 at Carey High School, earning a spot in the "Academic Hall of Fame." Ellison attends the University of Toledo majoring in nursing.



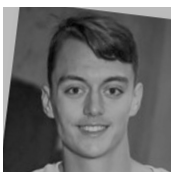
Jake Sanders, Fort Loramie High School: Jake is the son of Jeff and Christe Sanders. His father is the head varsity baseball coach at Fort Loramie High School. During high school, Jake was a 1-year letterman (the COVID-19 Pandemic canceling his junior season). During his senior season, Jake was honored with 1st Team Shelby County Athletic League (SCAL), and 2nd team All-State PBR for Division 4. Jake was the starting 2nd baseman for the State Semi-Finalist Redskins. Jake finished high school with a 3.5 GPA and a 29 ACT. Jake is currently a member of the Mount St. Joseph University baseball team and majoring in computer science.



Sophia Warner, Louisville High School: Sophia is the daughter of Brian Warner and Pam Warner. Her father is the Varsity baseball coach at Louisville High School. Sophia was a member of the varsity swim team and tennis team, drama club, the Student Social Justice Academy, YMCA Leaders Club, National Honors Society, and student council. She is attending Cleveland State University to major in history with a minor in English.



Callie Wells, New Bremen High School: Callie is the daughter of Joy and Chad Wells. Her father is the Head Varsity Baseball Coach at New Bremen High School. Callie earned three Varsity letters in Swim, Softball, and one Varsity Letter in bowling. Callie was also a member of National Honors Society and attend Tristar Career Compact with a focus in Med Prep. Callie currently attends Ball State University and is majoring in Nursing.



Trevor Yoder, Tri-Valley High School: Trevor is the son of Kevin and Donna Yoder. He enjoyed his high school baseball career and playing for his father. While at Tri-Valley Trevor was a three-year letterman on the baseball team and earned all-league and all-district honors. He was also a three-year letterman in football and an honors student. Trevor is currently attending Walsh University and playing baseball for the Cavaliers. He is following in his parent's footsteps and majoring in education.