



2024 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, 11 worthy students have been awarded a 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.



Carter Nickel, Valley High School

Carter Nickel is the son of Nolan and Amanda Crabtree. Both parents are educators in the Valley Local Schools where Nolan is the head varsity football and baseball coach. Carter was a four year varsity letter winner in football, basketball, and baseball. He was a 1st Team All Ohio, All District and All Conference baseball player. He was a member of the National Honor Society, a Heisman High School Scholarship school winner, and is currently attending Georgetown College majoring in Biochemistry. He is also a member of the Georgetown Tigers baseball team.



AJ Dieringer, St. Marys Memorial High School

AJ is the son of Jeff and Sara Dieringer. His father is the former Varsity head coach and current Volunteer Assistant at St. Marys Memorial High School. AJ was a three-year letter winner in both baseball and soccer, earning all-league, all-district, and all-state honors throughout his high school career. In soccer, he helped lead his team to two district runners-up as well as most wins and goals scored in a season. He was also a part of the St. Marys Memorial baseball team who won the District Championship this past year. AJ was also involved in clubs such as the National Honors Society, Gatekeepers, and the Fellowship of Christian Athletes. AJ is attending the University of Cincinnati to further his education and major in Architectural Engineering.



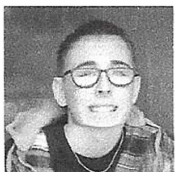
Carter Kennon, Mount Gilead High School

Carter is the son of Mark and Jen Kennon. His father Mark is an educator at Mount Gilead Middle School and the head baseball coach at Mount Gilead High School. Carter is a four-year varsity letter winner in football, basketball, and baseball. In baseball, Carter earned PBR All-State Infielder, KMAC Scholar Athlete, 1st team All-League Infielder, 1st team All-Central District Infielder and was selected to play in the OHSBCA Game One & Founder Group Senior All-Star Series. Carter was active in the National Honor Society and Salutatorian of the Mount Gilead High School Class of 2023. Carter is currently attending Defiance College where he is majoring in Business Administration and Business Finance. Carter is also a member of the Defiance Yellow Jackets baseball team.



Trey Pitzer, Lynchburg-Clay High School

Trey is the son of Vince & Brandy Pitzer. Trey earned 4 varsity letters for soccer, in which, he was 2x Honorable Mention All-District & once All-League his Sophomore and Junior years. Trey earned 2nd Team All-Ohio, 1st Team All-District, and was the SHAC Player of the Year his Senior year. He also served as President for his National Honor Society Chapter and Student Council President. Trey is currently attending Heidelberg University studying Political Science and playing soccer.



Bodhi Workman, Northmor High School

Bohdi is the son of Buck and Nicole Workman. His father Buck is the Head Baseball coach at Northmor High School. Bohdi earned 3 varsity letters for baseball, 3 varsity letters for wrestling and 2 varsity letters for football. He was a captain for the baseball and football teams. He was very active in Youth Safety Council as well. Bohdi is leaning toward attending Ohio University and is undecided on his major.



Tyler Duncan, Portsmouth High School

Tyler is the son of Aaron and Becky Duncan, both educators in the Portsmouth City School District. His father is the head baseball coach at Portsmouth High School. During his time at Portsmouth, Tyler earned varsity letters in 3 sports: Baseball (4 letters), Football (2 letters), and Basketball (3 letters). He maintained a 3.92 GPA, finished in the top 5 in his class, and was a member of the National Honor Society. He was selected 1st-team All OVC in baseball (3 seasons), football (1 season), and basketball (1 season). He was named 1st-Team All-SE District in Baseball (3 times), Football (1 time), and Basketball (1 time). He was an All-Ohio QB, where he set a school record for passing yardage in a single season. He was also selected as a 1st-Team All-Ohio second baseman in baseball his senior year. Tyler is currently attending Shawnee State University, where he is studying to become an Intervention Specialist.



Max Hoover, Edison High School

Max is the son of Sean and Julie Hoover. His dad is the head coach at Edison High School in Milan. Max earned 3 varsity letters in baseball, earning 2nd team Sandusky Bay Conference and honorable mention District 9 as a senior. During his time, Max was a part of teams that won 3 straight district championships, played in one state finals game and set a school record for consecutive wins with 17 his senior year. He was a member of the football team, earning 2 varsity letters, as well as a member of the Interact Club, National Honor Society, and the Impact Leadership program. Max is currently majoring in finance at Coastal Carolina University.



Landon Brandt, Wapakoneta High School

Landon is the son of Jason and Cheri Brandt. Landon's dad is the head baseball coach at Wapakoneta High School. During his time at Wapak, Landon earned 4 varsity letters in baseball. Landon was selected 1st team All Western Buckeye League as well as 1st team All NW District his junior and senior seasons. Landon was a member of the National Honor Society, SAHT, FCA and 4H. Landon graduated Summa Cum Laude and was a speaker at graduation. He is attending Indiana State University majoring in Kinesiology with a minor in Computer Science. He is also a member of the Sycamore baseball team as a right handed pitcher.



Mackenzie Koenig, Canfield High School

Mackenzie is the daughter of Matthew and Susanne Koenig. Her father is the former head baseball coach at Canfield High School from 2006-2018, winning the school's first state championship in 2007. Mackenzie is a two year letterwinner in both softball and Canfield's speech team, competing at the state tournament for both events her senior year. Mackenzie was also a senior class officer, secretary of the National Honor Society, member of student council, "Best student in the subject of history for 2023", and graduated Summa Cum Laude. She is now attending Miami University as an honors student and is majoring in marketing.



Tanner Whitmire, Springfield Holland High School

Tanner is the son of Dave & Annie Whitmire. His father is the head baseball coach at Springfield (Holland) High School. Tanner played soccer, basketball and baseball during his high school career. He was a three year letter winner in baseball earning All Northern Lakes League and District Honors in baseball. He also received the Ohio High School Leadership & Excellence Award his senior year. Tanner is attending Miami University in Oxford majoring in Business.



Samantha Bardonaro, Butler High School

Sami is the Daughter of Mike and Heidi. Her father is a varsity assistant at Butler High School. Sami was a four-year letter winner in basketball at Butler where she holds the records for 3 pointers in a game (8), a season (65) and a career (204). She earned 1st team All-League all four years. She was also All-District and an All-State selection for her last two years. She was selected into the National Honors Society. Sami is attending University of South Carolina Aiken where she is on scholarship for basketball majoring in Communication.