



From left in white, Estill Lady Engineers 7th grader Jayci Long (#3), sophomore Mia Hale (#23), senior Kaylee Riddell (#15) and sophomore Hannah Baker (#22), guard against "14th Region Player of the Year" for Leslie County Lady Eagles' Lexy Meyers (#30), a senior who is averaging 24.8 points per game and 7.4 rebounds. She scored 23 against Estill on Saturday and Lady Engineers Mia Hale and Haylee Angel each put in 23.

Estill County Engineers head coach Jon Bentley gives instructions to his team during a timeout on Saturday while playing against Pendleton County from the 10th Region. At right is assistant Rick Benton.

## Estill County High School Winter Sports Senior Night

Estill County High School honored its winter sports seniors on Senior Night, Friday, February 14, 2020 and thanked those attending for taking part in honoring our seniors who have put a lot of time and energy into representing Estill County High School over the years.

### Bass Fishing Seniors

**Micah Adams** is the son of Greg and Paula Adams and has participated in bass fishing four years, baseball four years and basketball for one year. His biggest hero is his dad because he remembers catching his first bass in Miller's Creek on a Zebco 33 and a black buzz bait. His plans are to attend BCTC for welding. His favorite memory is getting to fish on Lake Pickwick with his dad and Chase for nationals last year.

**Lucas Puckett** is the son of Jeff and Vickie Puckett and is also a member of the football and track teams, playing football for three years and participating in track for four years. His biggest hero is Austin Moore "because he has motivated me to be a great person." Lucas is undecided on what he will do after high school. His favorite memory is the bass fishing team qualifying for state and nationals.

**Chase Rawlins** is the son of Kim Fike and the late Josh Rawlins and has been a member of the bass fishing team all four years. His biggest hero and inspiration is his Papaw Bill because "he always made time to keep me on the water, and let me fall in love with fishing." His plans are to fish in college and get a business degree. His favorite memory is winning the Brandon Card tournament, and seeing (Coach) Hopper wear Minion Pajamas at the KHSAA State Tournament on Kentucky Lake.

**Chris Wise** is the son of Dale and Lisa Wise and has been a member of the bass fishing team all four years. His biggest hero and inspiration is his dad because he is the reason he started fishing. Chris's plans are to fish in college if given the opportunity; if he does not, he wants to be a residential electrician. His favorite memory is when he and Lucas came in 18th place out of 240 boats and qualified for the national/world tournament.

### Archery Seniors

**Kaeli Bryant** is the daughter of Kris Bryant and has been a member of the archery team for one year and the Raider team for 2 1/2 years. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her great grandmother because she has lived her life full of love and happiness. "I do not remember a single time she was not surrounded by family and laughing." Kaeli plans to attend ECU and study to become a physical therapist. Kaeli's favorite memory is the first competition, because it was the first competition my grandparents had attended.

**Brooklyn Flynn** is the daughter of Windle and Tamara Flynn. This is Brooklyn's first year participating in archery. Her biggest hero and inspiration has been her mom, Sherry Stampfer, because she is the most selfless and caring person, she knows. Brooklyn plans to attend college and major in nursing or Spanish education. Brooklyn's favorite memory is not only her experiences with upward bound but also being part of such a wonderful team.

**Seth Masters**, the son of Billy Masters and Robyn Farthing, has been a member of the archery team for one year. Seth's biggest hero and inspiration in his life are his parents because they have supported him and cheered him on. Seth wants to be a welder after he graduates high school. His favorite memory is hanging out with friends and joking around.

**Audrey Arvin**, the daughter of Amy and Greg Arvin, has played volleyball for seven years, archery one year, and softball for one year. Her biggest hero and inspiration in her life is her mom and Nana because "they are real life wonder women, and they are my best friends." Audrey plans to become a veterinary technician. Her favorite memory is having a balloon shot competition; we all kept laughing, as Coach Farmer has to keep replacing balloons nonstop and singing to country music songs during practices.

Wesley Phillips and Juli Robinson are both seniors and were unable to attend Friday night's event.

### Girls Basketball Seniors

**Amber Arvin's** parents are Greg and Amy Arvin, and Amber has been a member of the girls' basketball team for 4 years and volleyball for seven years. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her mom, Amy, because "she has always been there at my games, driving me to games and practices, and cheering me on." Amber's plans are to become a vet-tech or animal trainer. Amber's favorite memory was "when we were at Transy basketball camp for summer ball and Macy gave me piggy back rides because I was on crutches."

**Kaylee Riddell** is the daughter of Brian Riddell and Crystal Chapman and has been a member of the basketball team for four years, volleyball for three years, softball for four years, and FCA. Kaylee's biggest hero and inspiration is her granny because "she is such a strong person and makes difference in my life. My granny is one of the most strong-willed and hard-working people I have ever met. I love her with all my heart." Kaylee will be attending Berea to further her academic and softball careers. Her favorite memory was cheering the boys on at Rupp and she says, "We are working on a new favorite memory".

### Boys Basketball Seniors

"14th Region Player of the Year" **Joe Benton** is the son of Ricky Joe and Chasity Benton and has been a basketball Engineer for 6 years and on the golf team for nine years. His biggest hero and inspiration is his mom and dad because they have always been there for him and supported him through the ups and downs. Joe will attend ECU to further his academic and golf career. His favorite memory is winning the regional tournament and getting to play at Rupp Arena.

**Ethan Webb** is the son of Johnathan and Amanda Webb and has been a basketball player for two years and a part of the football team for 4 years, track team one year, and Beta Club for four years. His biggest hero and inspiration in his life is Tim Tebow because "he works hard, he is humble, and he is always expressing his faith!" Ethan's favorite memory is all the bus rides to games and post practice dinners at El Ranchito.

### Cheerleaders Seniors

**Abigail Arnold** is the daughter of Christy and Jerry Arnold and has been a cheerleader for four years. Her biggest hero and inspiration is

her Gaga because "she is the best and most kindhearted person I have ever known." Abigail plans to attend Morehead State University and major in Veterinary Science. Abigail's favorite memory is competing in the game day competition her sophomore year.

**Jaclyn Centers** was escorted by Ashley Helton and Jesse Centers and has been an Engineer cheerleader for four years. She is also a member of FCCLA, FBLA, Student Council and Yearbook. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her mom and dad because "they push me to do my best, helped me to achieve my goals, and always support me in anything and everything that I do." Her favorite memory is wining regions and cheering at RUPP.

**Victoria Elam** is the daughter of Lelia and Jeff Elam and has been a cheerleader for four years. She is also a member of FCCLA and Beta Club. Victoria's biggest hero and inspiration is her parents because "they are both amazing role models for my brothers and me." Her plans are to attend ECU and go on to become a CPA. Her favorite memory is cheerleading at Rupp Arena.

**Kristin Osborne** is the daughter of Chris and Michelle Osborne and has been a cheerleader for four years and a member of the track team for three years. Her biggest hero and inspiration are her grandparents because "they have always worked for what they wanted and started their business in their back barn and now they have moved to their location to Richmond." Kristen plans to attend either ECU or Georgetown to cheer and become a physical therapist. Her favorite memory is when the boys won region her sophomore year and she was able to cheer on the boys at Rupp Arena with her friends.

### Pep Band Seniors

Caroline Asher is the daughter of Carrie Smallwood and Mike Asher. She has been a member of the pep band for seven years and has been a member of the soccer team. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her mom because "she has always been there for her and her brother making sure we have what we need even if it means not paying a bill that's due." Her plans are to attend college for nursing. Her favorite memory is losing her voice at every game and acting dumb with Savannah.

Ethan Baker was escorted by his parents, Eric and Karen Baker, and has been a member of the pep band for seven years. Ethan has also been a member of marching band for six years, jazz Band for 2 years, and concert band for 7 years. His biggest inspiration in his life is his parents because "they have given me every possible tool and advice to be successful. Without them, I would not be where I am today." He plans to attend ECU and major in Applied Engineering Management. His favorite memory is being part of the low brass that spent over an hour with Mr. Britton exploring Lucas Oil Stadium for food that was not chicken or burgers.

**Sierra Brinegar** is the daughter of Anthony and Tish Brinegar and has been a pep band member for 7 years, marching band for six years, concert band, HOSA, and Beta Club. Her biggest inspiration is her parents because "they have always supported me." She plans to attend SCTC and go into radiology. Her favorite memory is ALL of them.

**Avery Duechle** was escorted by

her father Bryan Abney. She has been a member of pep band for seven years, marching band six years, Jazz Band 2 years, Dance Blue one year, and HOSA for one year. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her sister because "we depend on each other more than anyone else." She plans to attend college and major in Chemistry. Her favorite memory is all the basketball games that have given me chills because of how close the scores were.

**Austin Henry** is the son of Jack and Sharon Rawlins and has been a pep band member for 7 years, marching band for four years, pep band for five years, and concert band for 5 years. His biggest inspiration and hero is his papa because "he is nice to everyone and has always been there for me." His plans are to attend college and study radiology. His favorite memory is winning east regional national championships, or coming in second at grand nationals.

**Sarah Jones** is the daughter of Ben and Lisa Jones and has been a member of the pep band for four years. Sarah is also a member of the marching band, tennis team, BETA Club, and First Priority. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her father because "he is big-hearted, kind, selfless, caring, funny, and is always there for her." Her plans are to do something in the medical field. Her favorite memory is going to Bands of America Grand Nationals at Lucas Oil Stadium in Indianapolis and getting second place in the nation in Class 1A.

**Lauren Mullins** is the daughter of Jessica and Ronald Mullins and has been in pep and marching band for seven years. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her Mamaw because "she supports me endlessly." Lauren plans to go to UK and become a music teacher. Her favorite memory is going to Rupp and supporting the boys' basketball team.

**Brooklyn Owens** is the daughter of Tracey and Daniel Owens. Brooklyn has been in pep band and marching band for seven years. She is also a member of the tennis team and BETA Club. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her great grandfather because "he was always able to turn absolutely nothing into something wonderful." Brooklyn plans to attend college and major in psychology. Her favorite memory is participating in Bands of American at Lucas Oil Stadium for Grand Nationals.

**Ryan Pasley** is the son of Tina Carol and Byran Pasley. He has been a member of pep band for 7 years and a member of marching band. His biggest hero and inspiration is his parents. He plans to attend college. His favorite memory is watching the boys' basketball team beat Cordia.

**Savannah Riddell** is the daughter of Brian Riddell and Crystal Chapman. Savannah has been a member of pep band for five years and marching band for four years. Her biggest hero and inspiration is her parents because "they are always there for her." Savannah plans to attend Medical Career and Technical College to be a CMA. Her favorite memory is screaming during free throws and acting dumb with Caroline.

Estill County High School would like to thank the parents and seniors that have represented us. Thank you for the hard work dedication and the countless hours you have spent to represent this high school and the contribution you have made to the school.

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