



NEWS FROM THE NEST

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HHS ALUMNUS AND TEACHERS OF THE YEAR TO BE HONORED

Every year, the HHS Alumni Association selects an alumnus to honor who has achieved greatness in his or her professional career or has given back to HHS and our community to ensure that future Bluebirds can maximize their own greatness. In addition to honoring the Alumnus of the Year, we also celebrate the achievements and contributions of teachers from across the district.



This year we are excited to announce **Holly Bankemper Collinsworth** ('81) as the 2019 Alumnus of the Year. Her leadership of and advocacy for our schools and students has been unmatched. She was the leading force behind the success of the Campaign for Highlands, which successfully raised \$10M for renovations to HHS. She was also instrumental in getting critical state funds for both Moyer and Johnson renovation and construction projects, among other pioneering contributions.

Direct contributions to the FTEF Endowment Fund as a tribute to one of our honorees are a great way to say congratulations while helping to sustain our support of the tradition of excellence.

ALUMNUS & TEACHER OF THE YEAR DINNER

April 12th at 5 p.m. | Highland Country Club | Tickets \$35

Honorees: Holly (Bankemper) Collinsworth ('81), Mike Code (HHS),
Angela Cochran (HMS), Mary Scaggs (Moyer)

Keynote Speaker: Colonel Greg Sarakatsannis, USAF, Retired (HHS '88)

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NEW TEMPORARY RESIDENTS ON HHS CAMPUS



Johnson Elementary students will relocate to mobile classrooms on the HHS Practice Field upon returning from Spring Break 2019. This move will help facilitate an 18 month construction project of the new Johnson Elementary school (scheduled for completion in summer 2020).

Once the construction of the new Johnson Elementary is complete, all five schools in this district will have been either renovated or replaced to meet the potential of our amazing students and teachers. A special thanks to our community for your support in helping to accomplish this miraculous success.

SAVE THE DATES

04.12.19

HHS Alumni & Teacher
of the Year Dinner

04.26.19

HHS Baseball @ GABP

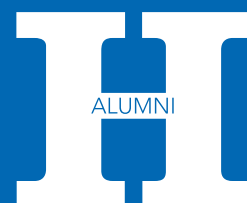
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09.22.19

HHS Homecoming &
Hall of Fame Weekend

ALUMNI INFORMATION DATA VERIFICATION HAPPENING NOW!

You will be receiving
postcards and calls to verify
your data. Please take a
few minutes to respond.



ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT.....

TERI (WINKLER) FOLTZ (Class of '71)



Teri (Winkler) Foltz

After graduating from HHS, Mrs. Foltz earned a degree in English Education from Cumberland College (now University of the Cumberlands) and fell in love with teaching during her student teaching. After a short time teaching in Louisville, she moved back to Northern Kentucky and taught for 7 years at Bellevue High School. It was there where she reconnected with now husband Ken Foltz whom she knew from HHS but never dated. She came back to Highlands in 1989 where she taught for 22 years before retiring. When asked what her favorite thing about teaching at HHS she says, "It always pushed me to be better. Our students are so smart, I felt an obligation to always do better for them."

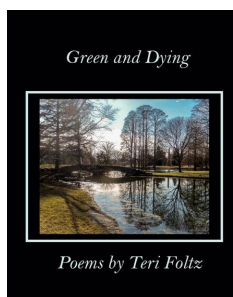
Her favorite teacher while a student at Highlands was, fittingly, Norman Yonce (English teacher) who helped her fall in love with English. As a student, Teri admired Mr. Yonce so much that she would read

whatever he was reading. In a full circle moment, Mrs. Foltz took his job when Mr. Yonce retired.

Foltz's favorite memory as a student at HHS was being a majorette in the marching band. "My brother played football and I marched with the band. Friday nights were so exciting. Every time I see those lights on I think back to how cool Friday nights were."

Foltz retired from teaching in 2011 but has not slowed down one bit. She works as a MAT Supervisor for University of the Cumberlands and is focusing on her passion of writing. She has written two full-length plays, one of which, "The Faculty Lounge", has been produced three times. She also writes 10-minute "Pint-Sized" plays which have been produced at festivals around the country. You can see her work during Pint Sized Plays at local bars and by buying her book of poetry *Green and Dying*. For more information on Mrs. Foltz's writing and where to see her plays, go to www.outofterishead.com.

Mrs. Foltz's advice for current HHS students, "Get to know your teachers because they can be so helpful to you and that relationship can be so important for you as you move on. To seniors – when you go to college be yourself don't pretend to be someone else."



We'd love to hear from YOU! If you or someone you know would like to be included in our Alumni Spotlight please email to HHSAA1891@gmail.com.

HHS HOSTS WINTERCON

HHS counselors hosted WinterCon in January, a full college & career planning event for students and their parents. Sessions included college planning, the trades, career pathways, military options, test prep, financial aid, social/emotional needs and scheduling. They had 44 booths at the academic and career fair portion that included colleges and industry leaders. The event featured a former student and parent panel that shared their college experiences. Culinary students provided lunch and business students opened the school spirit store during the event.



BRIEFS & BRAVOS

ACADEMIC

NATIONAL MERIT FINALISTS

Will Burnham
Elizabeth Schwalbach
Margot Seidel

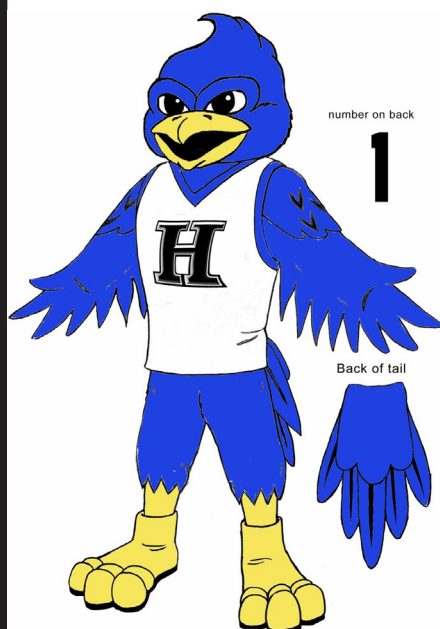
UVA JEFFERSON SCHOLARS FINALIST

Margot Seidel

NICHE.COM AWARDS

- #1 School District in Kentucky
- #1 Best District for Athletes in Kentucky
- #2 Safest District in Kentucky
- #3 Best Places to Teach in Kentucky

NEW BIRD MASCOT COMING SOON!



***Features removable jersey to root for all HHS teams.**

ATHLETIC

ARCHERY

Region Champion – Ethan Stuart

BOYS BASKETBALL

36th District Tournament Runner-Up
All-Tourney Team – Ben Sisson & Sam Vinson
NKY Coach's Association D11 Player of the Year – Ben Sisson
NKY Basketball Coach's Association Academic Award Winner – Austin King

GIRLS BASKETBALL

36th District Champions
MVP – Zoie Barth
All-Tourney Team – Chloe Jansen & Rory O'Hara
NKY Basketball Coach's Association Coach of the Year – Jaime Richey
NKY Basketball Coach's Association Academic Award Winner – Zoie Barth
NKY Officials Association Scholarship winner – Zoie Barth
NKY Coach's Association D11 Player of the Year – Zoie Barth

BOWLING

Regional Runner-up Alex Bach (7th grade)
Girls team placed in Top 8 at state

CHEER

13th place at UCA Nationals

GIRLS CROSS-COUNTRY

KHSAA State Runner-Up
Maggie Schroeder – Individual State Champion/NKY & Class AA Runner of the Year

VOLLEYBALL

36th District Champions

DANCE

KHSAA State Champions – pom
KDCO State Champions & Grand Champions
NDA Nationals – 5th place (hip hop) & 10th place (pom)

DIVING

6 state qualifiers – 3 girls & 3 boys
Finn Murphy KHSAA State Runner-Up and named Second Team All-State
2019 Pannell Swim Scholarship – Brendan Conley

FOOTBALL

All-State Players – Brycen Huddleston & Trent Johnson (Honorable Mention)
Brian Weinrich – Named to Coaching Staff of Kentucky All-Stars

BOYS GOLF

8th Region Champs
State Qualifier
KHSAA State Tournament – Top 8
Region Player of the Year – Justin Gabbard
NKAC Coach of the Year – Bert Richey
NKAC Golfer of the Year – Ryan Leigh

BOYS SOCCER

36th District Champs
9th Region Champs
KHSAA State Tournament Runner-Up
NKAC & Cincinnati.com Enquirer Coach of the Year – Chad Niedert

GIRLS SOCCER

36th District Champs
9th Region Champs
KHSAA State Tournament Runner-Up

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2019 REUNIONS

1959 September 6-8
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1979 September 20-22
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1999 September 20-22

PLANNING A REUNION?
LET US HELP.

UPCOMING EVENTS

04.12.19

Alumni & Teacher of the Year Dinner
5 p.m. @ Highland Country Club

Join us for dinner to honor our Alumni and Teachers of the Year.

For reservations or sponsorship: FTEF.org or call 859.815.2004

04.26.19

HHS Baseball @ GABP
HHS Baseball v. Beechwood @ 8 p.m.

For tickets: www.HighlandsAthletics.com

09.20.19–09.22.19

Homecoming & Hall of Fame Weekend

Don't forget to stop by and shake your Tailfeather at the Tailgate before the game.

All alumni and friends welcome!

For info: www.HighlandsAthletics.com or ftef.org