

# Randolph County School System

## “STAR<sup>3</sup> Students” for May 2017



### **Coleridge Elementary School - Emma Ammen - 5th Grade**

Emma Ammen truly exemplifies the characteristics of a STAR<sup>3</sup> Student on a daily basis at Coleridge. She is always willing to help other students, both in her class and throughout the school. Emma always has a friendly and positive attitude no matter what circumstances come her way. She also excels academically and enjoys playing softball in her spare time. It is with great pride that Coleridge Elementary School recognizes Emma Ammen as our STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for the month of May.

### **Eastern Randolph High School - Cassidy Osborne - 12th Grade**

Cassidy Osborne’s teachers describe her as hard-working, organized, and always on time with her assignments. The last two years Cassidy has excelled in our early childhood education program, inspiring her to pursue a career teaching elementary education or exceptional children. This semester she has thoroughly enjoyed interning at Liberty Elementary School and working with the students there. Cassidy plans to attend community college the next two years and then transfer to a four-year college to obtain her teaching degree. Outside of school Cassidy is active in her church and enjoys working with young people. We are proud of Cassidy's accomplishments and commitment to becoming an educator one day. Eastern Randolph High School is proud to select Cassidy Osborne as our STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.

### **Farmer Elementary School - Nathanael Strickland - 1st Grade**

Nathanael Strickland has overcome several obstacles in his young life. He has worked extremely hard this year to maintain a positive focus and even talks with his teacher about setting goals for himself. Nathanael loves history and enjoys sharing facts with his friends and classmates. He works hard and demonstrates a willingness to help others. Farmer Elementary School is proud to select Nathanael Strickland as its STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for the month of May.

### **Seagrove Elementary School - Kaylee Jarrell - 1st Grade**

Kaylee Jarrell is a quiet student who always works hard, is respectful, and is kind to her classmates. She looks for ways to be a helper in the classroom. Kaylee has been through a lot, but gets up extra early every morning to come to school prepared. She is a sweet and compassionate friend to others. Kaylee is a quiet student with a beautiful singing voice. This year she performed in front of an audience by singing a duet during a PTO performance. She now sings solos to her class. Kaylee is a talented, thoughtful, hard-working student. Congratulations to Kaylee Jarrell, Seagrove Elementary School’s STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.

### **Southeastern Randolph Middle School - Curtis Smith - 7th Grade**

Curtis Smith has taken on the responsibilities of being Beta Club president as well as a multi-sport athlete playing football and baseball. He maintains A's and B's in all classes and leads by example whenever possible. Curtis has risen to every challenge placed in front of him. He also has an excellent role model in his older brother, Tanner Smith. Curtis works to find lessons and field trips that would benefit all students. Curtis, we are proud of you, your accomplishments, and your excellent work, and see many positive things for your future. Congratulations to Curtis Smith, Southeastern Randolph Middle School's STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.

### **Southmont Elementary School - Macy Walker - 5th Grade**

Macy Walker is recognized by teachers, school staff, and her peers as someone who shows true mustang spirit! She has a heart for others and makes others feel special. It is important to Macy that everyone has what they need and no classmate is left out. Macy is responsible inside and outside of the classroom. On top of keeping up with classwork and homework, she has worked with kindergarten students to help them become more successful readers. Macy is a helper in the media center and is a member of the flag crew. Macy is ready to begin each day with enthusiasm and a positive attitude that spreads to all those around her. Thank you, Macy Walker, for being a star at Southmont Elementary School, and congratulations on being selected our STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.

### **Southwestern Randolph High School - Allyson "Ally" Needham - 11th Grade**

"Absolutely the best of the best!" and "A pleasure to teach!" are just some of the phrases used to describe Ally Needham. She is an outstanding young student who represents well the "community spirit" of Southwestern Randolph High School by always going above and beyond to help others. One teacher says of Ally, "She does an excellent job in the classroom while supporting other students who may have a more difficult time mastering the material. She is less concerned with her individual grade than the overall learning that is taking place." Ally is the kind of student all teachers long to have, because she not only excels individually, but makes it a point to bring others along with her. For these reasons and too many more to list, Southwestern Randolph High School is pleased to name Ally Needham as our STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for the month of May.

### **Southwestern Randolph Middle School - Frank Jaimes - 8th Grade**

Frank Jaimes is an extremely gifted student who leads by example. He is well-respected by his peers, because he is kind, funny, responsible, and respectful. Frank is dedicated to his school work and focused on making himself the best student that he can be. He jumps at any academic opportunity that presents itself to him. His self-motivation is evident in the fact that he excels in a math course that is two grade levels above most of his peers. Frank is a well-adjusted individual who strives to do the right thing and to be successful. Both students and staff feel that Frank is a pleasure to work with, and he is our definition of excellence without exception. Southwestern Randolph Middle School is proud to have Frank Jaimes as our STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.

### **Tabernacle Elementary School - Damien Brady - 1st Grade**

Not only has Damien Brady had to transition to a new school in a new area this year, he has done so while adjusting to some unique trials. Damien hasn't been just learning to how to read, write, and solve math, he has been learning how to recognize and address some personal challenges that have come his way. Damien is a real trooper, with the most positive attitude a child could have, always taking things in stride. He is strong, not only in his schoolwork, but in his whole attitude of taking on whatever life has given him with an upbeat, positive attitude. Damien never gives up and grows stronger every day with his outlook on life. His growth this school year has been amazing. He truly is a brave, strong person. Congratulations to Damien Brady, Tabernacle Elementary School's STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.

### **Uwharrie Middle School - Robert Hankins - 8th Grade**

Robert Hankins possesses a positive spirit toward any task that he is given. He strives to complete each assignment with excellence and perfection and is quick to ask for help when he needs it. His dedication goes beyond academics. During wrestling season, Robert devoted himself to improving his techniques which led him to a few wins. He is often seen proudly sporting his wrestling hoodie in the halls of our school. Robert is an all-around kind person – he reaches out to peers, tutors students, and assists

teachers. He has been observed helping students who have suddenly fallen ill and has a listening ear for anyone who needs it. Robert is an eighth grader, but we are excited that he has chosen to remain on campus next year for the new Uwharrie 6-12 School. Congratulations to Robert Hankins, Uwharrie Middle School's STAR<sup>3</sup> Student for May.