



City Commission Agenda Item

Meeting Date: May 2, 2023
From: Randy Frazer, City Manager
Item: 2023 Outstanding Student Award Recognitions

Purpose: Recognize and honor Haylee McCorgary, Kamryn Mendoza, and Maycee Wolfenbarger as Arkansas City's Outstanding Student Award scholarship recipients for 2022-2023.

Background:

The **Outstanding Student Award** program was started in 1984. The City Commission implemented the program to recognize students who are outstanding examples of academic and civic excellence in our community. Each year, staff asks teachers, staff, and administrators at Ark City Christian Academy, Arkansas City Middle School, Arkansas City High School, and Cowley College to nominate students they think are qualified for this honor.

Each year, the **Outstanding Student Award Committee**, appointed by the Mayor and City Commission, receives all nominations from the three schools. Short, informal interviews are conducted with each nominee, and the committee then chooses three finalists from each school to represent the nominees.

From the nine (9) finalists, a top student is chosen for each school. Of the three top students, one (1) is chosen as the overall City of Arkansas City Outstanding Student for that year and awarded a **\$1,000** scholarship, the first runner-up receives a **\$500** scholarship, and the second runner-up receives a **\$250** scholarship from the City of Arkansas City.

This year's Overall Outstanding Student for Arkansas City is Arkansas City High School student Kamryn Mendoza. The first runner-up is Cowley College student Maycee Wolfenbarger. The second runner-up is Arkansas City Middle School student Haylee McCorgary.

Commission Options:

1. Introduce and award Haylee McCorgary as second runner-up and formally present the \$250 scholarship.
2. Introduce and award Maycee Wolfenbarger as first runner-up and formally present the \$500 scholarship.
3. Introduce and award Kamryn Mendoza as the 2022-2023 Overall Outstanding Student and formally present the \$1,000 scholarship.

Fiscal Impact:

Amount: **\$1,700.00**

Fund: **01 - General** Department: **201 - Commission** Expense Code: **6217 - Contributions**

Included in budget Grant Bonds Other Not Budgeted

Approved for Agenda by:

Randy Frazer, City Manager