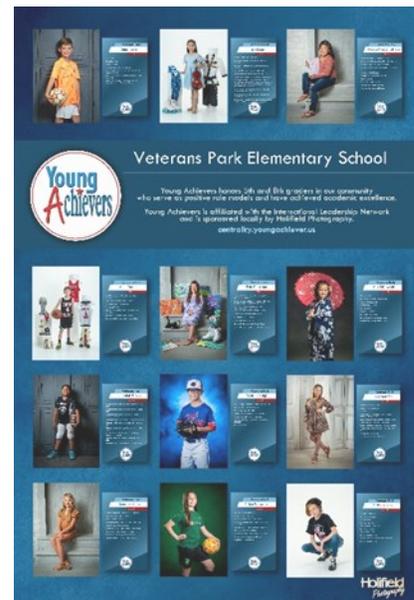


Student Name: _____

You qualify for this!

Young Achievers



To honor students in our community who serve as positive role models and have achieved academic excellence.

Applications are DUE:

March 15, 2026

www.centranky.youngachiever.us/apply



CENTRAL KENTUCKY YOUNG ACHIEVERS PROGRAM

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36th Annual “Young Achievers”

This year, the Lexington Young Achievers Program, will sponsor the 36th Annual “Young Achievers” in cooperation with the International Leadership Network (ILN) a non-profit, charitable, 501 (c) (3) organization. The purpose of this program is to honor students in our community who serve as positive role models and to provide positive recognition at an early age. This program gives younger children more positive role models to look up to among their peers.

The local “Young Achievers” program has been affiliated with the International Leadership Network since its inception, with Holifield Photography beginning the local program in 1990. In 2025, over 700 students were nominated to the local program from 68 elementary and middle schools.

In order to be eligible for this recognition, students must:

1. Be a 4th Grader or 7th Grader during the 2025 - 2026 school year.
2. Maintain an A/B grade average.
3. Participate and serve as a positive role model for their peers.
4. Volunteer in their community and exhibit good citizenship in their school.
5. Receive awards for exceptional achievement.
6. Have a special talent in science, art, dance, music, sports, theatre, etc.

The nominated student must participate in each of the following activities:

1. Completion of the online application by **Sunday, March 15, 2026.**
2. Orientation by Holifield Photography for information about the program, photography session and photographic display.
3. Be photographed in spring 2026 by Holifield Photography for Fayette Mall and school displays* as well as media recognition.

Awards & Recognition

Local Awards

- One student from each school will be named the top outstanding “Young Achiever” from their school during the 2026-2027 school year and receive:
 - “Gold Medallion” inscribed with the Young Achievers logo
 - Young Achievers Certificate
 - Young Achievers T-shirt
- In addition, two students will be named:
 - Central KY Middle School Young Achiever of the Year & will receive a \$250 Check
 - Central KY Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year & will receive a \$250 Check

National Awards

- National awards are presented each year by the International Leadership Network. Announcements of national winners will take place before the end of the 2026-2027 school year.
 - National Middle School Young Achiever of the Year & will receive a \$100 Check
 - National Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year & will receive a \$100 Check

In 2025, Harrison Stith from Sts Peter & Paul Catholic School was the national winner for “Elementary School Young Achiever of the Year.”
Braxton Miller from Southern Middle was the runner up national winner for “Middle School Young Achiever of the Year.”

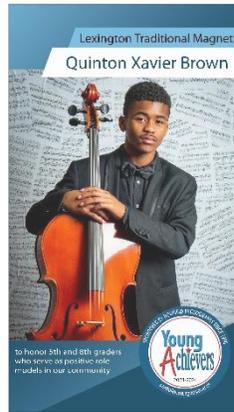
Photographic Displays

Students will be photographed at Holifield Photography and their portraits will be on display at Fayette Mall and their school* in recognition of their accomplishments during the 2026-2027 school year.

See back page to apply!

Fill out the online form at www.centralky.youngachiever.us/apply

You will be providing contact information and submitting your student biography (see below).



Student Biography

List a **MAXIMUM of 10** leadership positions, participation in activities, or any awards you have received in school, community or religious organizations.

For more examples, go to facebook.com/HolifieldPhotography



Example:

Pre-Engineering Student
Basketball, Volleyball, Track & Field Athlete
All A Honor Roll
Advanced French Student
Violinist
FFA Strengthening Agriculture Officer & Secretary
KMEA Distinguished in Choir
Consolidated Baptist Church Youth Ministry Member
CAFCA (Children & Family Counseling Associates) Cares Fundraising Sponsor
Volunteer and Sorter for "The Nest-Center for Women, Children, and Families"

If you have questions call:
The Lexington Young Achievers chapter at Holifield Photography (859) 276-2040