

## **High School Science Olympiad Team Makes It to State!!!**

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The Pattonsburg High School Science Olympiad team, for the first time ever at this level as a whole team, has made it to state, and we are VERY excited! There were some nail-biting moments where we were not sure if we had scored well enough during our February 27, 2021 virtual competition to make it as a team, as we thought we might be the alternates since we only had one event qualifying team. But, given all the other awards the team earned that day, the group was able to pull it off at the end, and we are very pleased with them. Kyle Meador and Ryelin Hulet earned first place, and thus initially event qualified in their event, Disease Detectives, which fittingly for this year, is based off epidemiology. This is Kyle's senior year and he has participated in Science Olympiad for the last three years. Ryelin is a junior and this is his fifth year in Science Olympiad, and his fifth consecutive year making it to state as an event qualifier. With the addition of the team as a whole making it to state, that brings Jillian Plymell and Quincy Crone to their fifth consecutive year qualifying for state; Miles Huff to his third year, and Jaden Gannan and Lillian Carter to their second. Pattonsburg ranked in nineteen of the typical twenty-three events offered, which is just wonderful! Congratulations to each and every one of the team members, as they all worked hard to secure this school first, way to go Panthers! State will be held on April 10, 2021, and is also virtual. Team Members Include: seniors—Lillian Carter, Miles Huff, Kyle Meador; juniors—Quincy Crone, Jaden Gannan, Ryelin Hulet, Jillian Plymell; sophomore and new recruit—Courtney Caraway; freshmen and new recruits—Timothy Wilson, and Airica Sherwood. We are very, very proud of you all!!!

### **Awards Earned Include:**

1<sup>st</sup> Disease Detectives—Ryelin Hulet, Kyle Meador

2<sup>nd</sup> Chemistry Lab—Airica Sherwood, Timothy Wilson

2<sup>nd</sup> Designer Genes—Jaden Gannan, Ryelin Hulet

2<sup>nd</sup> Water Quality—Miles Huff, Ryelin Hulet

2<sup>nd</sup> Write It/CAD It—Quincy Crone, Jillian Plymell

3<sup>rd</sup> Fossils—Ryelin Hulet, Timothy Wilson

3<sup>rd</sup> Geologic Mapping—Courtney Caraway, Airica Sherwood

3<sup>rd</sup> Machines—Kyle Meador

3<sup>rd</sup> Ornithology—Miles Huff, Ryelin Hulet

3<sup>rd</sup> Protein Modeling—Courtney Caraway, Lillian Carter

4<sup>th</sup> Anatomy & Physiology—Kyle Meador, Timothy Wilson

4<sup>th</sup> Circuit Lab—Courtney Caraway, Airica Sherwood

4<sup>th</sup> Code Busters—Airica Sherwood, Timothy Wilson

4<sup>th</sup> Detector Building—Miles Huff, Timothy Wilson

4<sup>th</sup> Experimental Design—Lillian Carter

4<sup>th</sup> Sounds of Music—Lillian Carter, Kyle Meador

5<sup>th</sup> Astronomy—Lillian Carter, Miles Huff

5<sup>th</sup> Dynamic Planet—Courtney Caraway, Kyle Meador

5<sup>th</sup> Forensics—Lillian Carter, Timothy Wilson

Again, in case you missed it in the Junior High Science Olympiad write up, our ability to participate would not have been possible at all without the help of so many people—Ms. Lambert (Science Olympiad Assistant Coach), Mrs. Gay, Mrs. Jones, Mr. Pottorff, and Mr. Jeffries from the school side, and all the Junior High Science Olympiad parents (Jessica Bumgarner, Tyna Sperry, Heather Jones, Katie Iddings, Amy McCrary, Stephanie Mason, Gabe Crabtree) who donated part of their Saturday and came in to help run things from the community side. Each and every one of you are greatly appreciated, thank-you all so very much for your part in helping us get to where we are at!!!