Honors Convocation

An Evening of Excellence Recognizing Northeast State’s Outstanding Students, Faculty, Staff, and Alumni for 2016 - 2017
OUR VALUES

We value respect and provide an environment of inclusiveness, cooperation, and diversity.

We value responsibility and promote integrity, accountability, and excellence in teaching, learning, and services.

We value responsiveness and facilitate personal, professional, and economic growth.
Honors Convocation
- Our 27th Ceremony -

Welcome: Dr. Janice Gilliam, President
Ceremony Host: Elizabeth Sloan, Assistant Professor of Theatre
Award Hosts: Jessica Fields, Executive Secretary for Student Affairs; Josh Johnson, Coordinator of County and State Scholarships; Sherry Mott, Executive Secretary for Administrative Services; and Greg Walters, Dean of Student Development
Stage Escorts: Mikaela Peets and Morgan Smith, Northeast State Student Navigators
Interpreters: Sharon Hulse and M. J. Light

Respect
Outstanding Member of the Northeast State Singers
Echoes & Images Literary and Visual Arts Magazine Vol. 27 Awards
TRiO Student Support Services Awards
TRiO Student Support Services Graduates
Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society Inductees
Adult Learner of the Year
hilmor® Retool Your Future Grand Prize Winner
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Outstanding Student Veteran
Distinguished Keeping Our Promise Mentor
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society Inductees
Alpha Iota Chi Chapter Recognitions
Tennessee Association of Higher Education and Disabilities Award

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Advanced Technologies
Behavioral and Social Sciences
Business Technologies
Health-Related Professions
Humanities
Mathematics
Nursing
Science
Honors Program
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Outstanding Student Organization Advisor
Faculty Emeritus Award
Outstanding Alumni Award
Outstanding Student Award
Distinguished Support Staff Award
Distinguished Administrative/Professional Staff Award
Distinguished Faculty Member Award
Outstanding Member of the Northeast State Singers .................................................................................. Abigail Bell

Presented by Tawana Teague, Assistant Professor of Music

Echoes & Images Literary and Visual Arts Magazine Vol. 27 Awards
Presented by Tempi Hale, Associate Professor of English, and Josh Archer, Assistant Professor of English

Student Editor ............................................................................................................................................ Cheston Axton
Student Editor ........................................................................................................................................ Cody Buczkowske
Student Editor ....................................................................................................................................... Andrea Greer

First Place, Fiction for On Church Street ............................................................................................... Patrick Cooley
Second Place, Fiction for The Fun Ones ............................................................................................... Chelsea Temple
Third Place, Fiction for Forlorn Stranger ............................................................................................... Kevin Bennett
First Place, Non-Fiction for June 22, 2015: Inmate Intake ..................................................................... Wesley Payer
Second Place, Non-Fiction for The Boy in the Green Jacket ................................................................. Patrick Cooley
Third Place, Non-Fiction for For This Child We Have Prayed ............................................................... Kayla Mullins
First Place, Poetry for On the Porch, in the Summer ........................................................................ Patrick Cooley
Second Place, Poetry for Marmalade ..................................................................................................... Patrick Cooley
Third Place, Poetry for Drawing in a Breath from the Sky .................................................................... Kevin Carrier
First Place, Visual Art for Metamorphosis ............................................................................................ Bradley Simon
Second Place, Visual Art for Bound Skull ............................................................................................. Bradley Simon
Third Place, Visual Art for Split Tessellation ......................................................................................... Kayla Miller

Copies of Echoes & Images will be available in the lobby after the ceremony.

TRiO Student Support Services Awards
Presented by Elizabeth Sloan, Assistant Professor of Theatre

Outstanding TRiO Participant ................................................................................................................ Konah Buckman
Outstanding TRiO Peer Tutor ............................................................................................................... Robert Foster
Outstanding TRiO Professional Tutor .................................................................................................. Matthew Boyd
Outstanding TRiO Peer Mentor ............................................................................................................ Daniel Hamilton

TRiO Student Support Services Graduates
Recognized individually by Virginia Reed, Director, during a special reception on April 7th.

Graduating participants wear the TRiO Medallion in recognition of this accomplishment.
Alpha Sigma Lambda Honor Society’s Nu Sigma Chi Chapter
Presented by Virginia Salmon, Librarian and Chapter Advisor

2016-2017 Inductees:

Christina Ballard  Amy Harless  Patricia Snapp
Jessica Davis    Kimberly Malony  Rachel Starnes
Whitney Elster   Kristi McAllister
Daniel Hamilton  Megan Phillips

Adult Learner of the Year
Presented by Elizabeth Sloan, Assistant Professor of Theatre

Nominees: Traci Ayers, Konah Buckman, Steven Jones, Beverly Stipes, Shannon Yerton

Recipient: Konah Buckman

hilmor® Retool Your Future Grand Prize Winner
Presented by Keith Tittle, Interim Assistant Dean of Advanced Technologies

Who’s Who Among Students in American Universities and Colleges, 2017 Edition
Presented by Mark Beaty, Director of Campus Activities

Outstanding Student Veteran
Presented by Jessica Kelso, Veterans Affairs Officer, and John Adcox, Veterans Affairs Technical Clerk

Nominees: John Hansen, Justin Hixenbaugh

Recipient: John Hansen

Distinguished Keeping Our Promise Mentor
Presented by Jane Honeycutt, Associate Professor of English/Women’s Studies and Grant Administrator
Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society’s Alpha Iota Chi Chapter
Presented by Jane Honeycutt, Associate Professor of English/Women’s Studies and Chapter Advisor

2016-2017 Inductees:

Heather Allen  Jacob Greer  Rebekah Pennewell
Ethan Bailey  Elizabeth Grubb  Martha Perez Ramos
Deanna Barrett  Georgaina Guffey  Avery Peters
Michael Barrett  Sarah Hagy  Jeffery Peters
Matthew Bennett  Alec Hamaker  Dominic Peterson
Franklyn Blender  Kristen Harper  Kevin Peterson
April Blevins  Emily Harris  Allison Pigeon
Yvette Bradley  Dorian Hawkins  Michaela Price
Prince Buckman  Erin Helbert  Kristen Prince
Katherine Burke  Marvin Henson  Hannah Puckett
Emily Burroughs  Hannah Hess  Sarah Renfro
Kayci Caldwell  Laura Hess  Isaac Roberts
Mandy Caldwell  Patricia Hilmer  Ame Royston
Heather Carr  Gage Holmes  Heath Ryans
Alexandra Carroll  Joshua Houser  Erin Sanders
Kendra Carter  Kathryn Hyder  Sarah Saulsbury
Erin Cassity  Jenna Jacobs  Cynthia Seward
Cassie Charlton  Elizabeth Jennings  Alexa Sexton
Trevor Chase  Andrew Jimenez  Matthew Shannon
Tera Clark  Justin Jordan  Karlie Shoemaker
Dakota Cole  Nathan Junge  Kaylie Shoemaker
Tyler Cole  Tori Kean  Lexi Simpson
Anya Combs  Bradley Kelley  Mackenzie Simpson
Ansley Cook  Veronica Kennard  Sidney Simpson
Samuel Cooper  Angeline Krupsky  Hannah Smith
Mara Cox  Tristan Lambert  Patricia Snapp
Jeffrey Dalton II  Heather Lane  Rachel Starnes
Woodie Davis  Bryan Lay  Andrew Steinman
Courtney Day  Kauli Lowe  Janet Stork
Caleb Deal  Candace Lunsford  Olivia Sturgill
Callie Dill  Noah Marks  Rebekah Thatcher
Paige DiPirro  Andrea Marshall  Hannah Tittle
Sarah Dotson  Jacob Maurer  Madeline Upchurch
Autumn Earl  Hannah McClain  Jasmine Vance
Daniel Effler  Cooper McCoy  Elizabeth Vanhoy
Alannah Estes  Elijah McCravy  Veronica Vann
Jennifer Fair  Lindsey McGonigal  Erin Wadley
Zachery Farmer  Matthew McPeak  Makayla Ward
Hannah Fender  Sydnee Merritt  Ashley Washington
David Fitzgerald  Matthew Miller  Caleb Wheeler
Austin Gentry  Kelly Modzelewski  Bethany Whittemore
Wenyan Glotzbach  Keith Moree  Katie Willis
Hannah Gobble  Kimberly Necessary  Jamie Wismer
Chapter Awards:
Distinguished Chapter Member.................................................................................................................. Beverly Stipes
Distinguished Chapter Officer.................................................................................................................. Daniel Hamilton
Distinguished Chapter Officer.................................................................................................................. Shannon Yerton

Tennessee Region Awards:
Chapter of Light Award............................................................................................................................ Alpha Iota Chi
Distinguished College Project, Second Place............................................................................................ Alpha Iota Chi
Distinguished Chapter, Third Place........................................................................................................... Alpha Iota Chi
Five Star Chapter Award............................................................................................................................ Alpha Iota Chi
Tennessee Mosaic Regional Literary Anthology, Research Papers, Third Place.................................... Shannon Yerton

2017 PTK Catalyst Awards:
Distinguished College Administrator Award................................................................................... Dr. Lana Hamilton
Honors Case Study Challenge Award.................................................................................................... Shannon Yerton
REACH Chapter Award............................................................................................................................ Alpha Iota Chi

Tennessee Association of Higher Education and Disabilities
Outstanding Student Award....................................................................................................................... Harper Pollitte
Presented by Betty Mask, Director of the Center for Students with Disabilities
Responsibility

Program Area Awards Recognizing the Outstanding Students in the Academic Disciplines
Presented by the Academic Deans

Award recipients are asked to remain after tonight’s ceremony and report to the photography area for photographs.

Advanced Technologies - Keith Tittle, Interim Assistant Dean of Advanced Technologies

Aviation Technology.................................................................................................................... Blake Williams
Chemical Process Operations................................................................................................. Cory Leamon
Electrical Technology-Electrical Technology......................................................................... Trey Brown
Electrical Technology-Electromechanical Technology.......................................................... Whitney Light
General Technology.............................................................................................................. Mark Fleming
Industrial Operations............................................................................................................. Justin Carter
Industrial Technology-Automotive Body/Collision Repair...................................................... Tyler Jones
Industrial Technology-Automotive Service............................................................................ Jill Basham
Industrial Technology-Engineering Design Technology........................................................ Jared Waesche
Industrial Technology-Machine Tool.................................................................................... Zachary Resha
Industrial Technology-Manufacturing Engineering Technology.......................................... Travis Fritts
Industrial Technology-Mechanical....................................................................................... Roberto Chacon
Industrial Technology-Motor Sports..................................................................................... Adam Walker
Industrial Technology-Welding/Metal Fabrication................................................................ Kyle Scott
Manufacturing Technology..................................................................................................... Joshua Williams

Behavioral and Social Sciences - Dr. Xiaoping Wang, Dean of Behavioral and Social Sciences

Anthropology............................................................................................................................ Eli Kistner
Criminal Justice (A.A./A.S.).................................................................................................... Patrick Brown
Criminal Justice (A.A.S.)........................................................................................................ Megan Bennington
Early Childhood Education..................................................................................................... Lindsey Richards
Mass Communications............................................................................................................. Stuart Tysinger
Psychology............................................................................................................................ Erica Callahan
Social Work............................................................................................................................. Nathan Carrier
Sociology.................................................................................................................................... Erinn Wyatt
Speech Communication.......................................................................................................... Evan Stone
Teacher Education.................................................................................................................. Brittany Elliott
Teacher Education Pre K-3..................................................................................................... Allison Bennett

Business Technologies - Daniel Lawson, Dean of Business Technologies

Business-Accounting (A.A.S.)................................................................................................. Patricia Hilmer
Business-Management........................................................................................................... Dorina Coggins
Business-Small Business Management................................................................................ Heidi Turner
Computer and Information Sciences-Computer Programming............................................. Ashley Lord
Computer and Information Sciences-Information Assurance................................................ Tristan Lambert
Computer and Information Sciences-Internet and Web Development.................................. Beverly Stipes
Computer and Information Sciences- Networking Engineering Technology........................ Joshua Ganious
Computer Science.................................................................................................................. Timothy Higginbotham
Entertainment Technology..................................................................................................... Sarah Munson
Office Administration Technology-General Office............................................................... Angelia Ratliff
Office Administration Technology-Medical Office............................................................... Tammy Fields
Health-Related Professions - Connie Marshall, Dean of Health-Related Professions

Advanced Emergency Medical Technician................................................................. Jordan Meredith
Allied Health-Dental Assisting................................................................................ Veronica Kennard
Allied Health-Medical Laboratory Technology...................................................... Michelle Grazier
Allied Health-Surgical Technology........................................................................ Sierra Solewin
Cardiovascular Technology-Invasive Option......................................................... Amber Sexton
Cardiovascular Technology-Non-Invasive Option................................................ Cassie Charlton
Emergency Medical Technician................................................................................ Laura-LaRue Jones
Paramedic.................................................................................................................. Bryan Bradshaw

Humanities - William Wilson, Dean of Humanities

Digital Media................................................................................................................ Jessica Fraysier
English.......................................................................................................................... Patrick Cooley
History......................................................................................................................... Seth Manning
Humanities................................................................................................................... Kerri Jones
Music............................................................................................................................ Abigail Bell
Philosophy/Religious Studies.................................................................................... Avery Bouton
Spanish......................................................................................................................... Abigail Bell
Theatre.......................................................................................................................... Andrea Marshall
Visual Art and Design.................................................................................................. Blaninne Smith

Mathematics - Malissa Trent, Dean of Mathematics

Accounting (A.S.)......................................................................................................... Terina Lovelace
Business Administration............................................................................................. Shannon Arias
Engineering................................................................................................................ Jared Thaxton
Mathematics............................................................................................................... Edgar Thaxton

Nursing - Johanna Neubrander MSN RN, Interim Dean of Nursing

LPN to RN...................................................................................................................... Judith Spitznas
Traditional...................................................................................................................... Tracey Lewis

Science - Dr. Carolyn McCracken, Dean of Science

Biology.......................................................................................................................... Mariah Tedder
Chemistry....................................................................................................................... Trevor Carter
Dental Hygiene............................................................................................................. Tiffany Hall
Environmental Health............................................................................................... Erin Helbert
Health Professions.................................................................................................... Brandon Sexton
Nursing (A.S.)............................................................................................................... Jenna Sexton
Pharmacy....................................................................................................................... Kerri Jones
Physical Therapy........................................................................................................ Isaac Roberts
Radiography.................................................................................................................. Blakely Poiroux

Honors Program - Jane Honeycutt, Associate Professor of English/Women’s Studies and Honors Program Coordinator

Honors Program.......................................................................................................... Shannon Yerton

Honors Program Students:

Ethan Bailey  
Christina Ballard  
Hannah Beach  
Emily Hodge  
Jenna Jacobs  
Rachel Johnson  
Tyler Smith  
Rachel Starnes  
Rachel Tilson
Emily Burroughs
Alexandra Carroll
Chantel Childress
Tera Clark
Dorina Coggins
Cody Dugger
Elizabeth Grubb
Savannah Maddox
Andrea Marshall
Jessica Morawski
Cassandra Parker
Andrew Samples
Grace Samples
Morgan Smith
Hannah Tittle
Daniel Trinkle
Katie Vaughn
Madison Williams
Aaron Wilson

Honors Program Graduates:

Gloria Bridges
Nathan Carrier
Sherry Crigger
Hanna Davidson
Daniel Hamilton
Julia Harpster
Aubyn Haskell
Dillon Higgins
Kathryn Hyder
Kerri Jones
Kathy Letterman
Harper Pollitte
Victoria Smith
Jared Thaxton
Breanna Waldecke
Shannon Yerton

Students Graduating with Academic Honors
Presented by Paul Montgomery, Vice President for Access and Development

Students graduating with Academic Honors wear the Honors Medallion in recognition of this accomplishment.

Cum Laude (Honors with GPAs of 3.5 to 3.74)

Michelle Adams
William Adams
Riley Alison
Alixandria Allen
Matthew Allen
Kristen Anderson
Shannon Arias
Michael Arthur
Cheston Axton
Carol Hill
Traci Ayers
Makala Bailey
Sandra Baker
Jill Basham
Maura Begley
Daniel Bishop
Franklyn Blender
Emily Branum
John Bray
Taylor Breeding
Austin Bridges
Benjamin Brinkley
Trevor Brooks
Brittany Brown
Chelsea Broyles
Erica Callahan
Caleb Gross
Rhonda Guess
Ashley Guy
Sarah Hagy
Shannon Hale
Channing Hamby
Daniel Hamilton
Krisitn Harper
Timothy Higginbotham
Hannah Mize
Jamie Morley
Kayla Mullins
Christy Oler
Allen Oliver
Mayra Ornelas
Derek Overbay
Elijah Owens
Christina Perkins
Avery Peters
Tyler Peterson
Jared Phillips
Sarah Phipps
Kristen Prince
Lora Qualls
Kathryn Rambo
Jennifer Rankins
Brooklyn Rice
Reagan Riner
Azael Rodriguez
Matthew Runion
Jennifer Russum
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**Magna Cum Laude (High Honors with GPAs of 3.75 to 3.89)**

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Ryan Campbell  Kerri Hite  Kalei Prickett
Zachary Carpenter  Emily Hodge  Tessa Ross
Heath Castle  Nathaniel Holmes  Meghan Salyer
Bailee Church  Brian Hooyboer  Jacob Selby
Dakota Cole  Colton Horne  Amber Sexton
Katie Cole  Michelle Huddleston  Lindsey Shrader
Jonathon Collins  Glenn Hutchens Jr.  Courtney Suder
Sherry Crigger  Marcus Jackson  James Taylor
Devin Darnell  Joseph Johnson  Micaela Tucker
Sarah Dotson  Moriah Jones  Allison Turner
Ricky Eidson  Seth Jones  Christian Tyree
Maci Elliott  Justin Jordan  Stuart Tysinger
Haley Engle  Heather Lane  Jasmine Vance
William Feijoo  Jeremiah Ledford  Erin Walley
Colin Fields  Shania Leonard  Lauren Wheeler
Timothy Flannagan  Larry Lester  Blake Williams
Elaina Fleury  Kathy Letterman  Joshua Williams
Tracy Francis  Tracey Lewis  Mason Williams
Christopher Garrett  Whitney Light  Casey Winters
Jessica Gentry  Andrea Marshall  Madeline Wolfe
Katherine George  Kaylyn McCurry  Shannon Yerton

Summa Cum Laude (Highest Honors with GPAs of 3.90 to 4.0)

William Allen  Joshua Ganious  David Pearman
Lisa Althaus  Michelle Grazier  Emma Perry
Courtney Arnold  Elizabeth Grubb  Harper Pollitte
Myka Baker  Tiffany Hall  John Porter
Abigail Bell  Earl Hardin  Angelia Ratliff
Allison Bennett  Cynthia Henley  Rachel Reavis
Jacqueline Bevins  Jason Hinkle  Jacob Reece
Daniel Bishop  Johnathan Holmes  Zachary Resha
Sarah Black  Megan Honaker  Isaac Roberts
Harley Blevins  Samantha Horne  Brandon Sexton
Mary Bouton  Teresa Horton  Bobbi Shelton
Paige Bowers  Anna Hunigan  Stephen Shepherd
Neal Brantner  Kathryn Hyder  Catherine Shook
Gloria Bridges  Jeffery Jennings  Lexi Simpson
Rachel Byrd  Landis Johnson  Sarah Stewart
Mark Carr  Kerri Jones  Beverly Stipes
William Carr  Tyler Jones  Travis Taylor
Nathan Carrier  Logan Kolarick  Chelsea Temple
Cassie Charlton  Kurt Kominek  Austin Thaxton
President’s All-Academic Team (Graduating with 4.0 GPAs)
Recognized individually by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President, during a special reception earlier this evening.

William Allen
Lisa Althaus
Courtney Arnold
Abigail Bell
Allison Bennett
Daniel Bishop
Sarah Black
Harley Blevins
Mary Bouton
Neal Brantner
Gloria Bridges
Rachelle Byrd
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Daniel Finnie

Mark Fleming
Joshua Ganious
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Johnathan Holmes
Megan Honaker
Teresa Horton
Anna Hunigan
Landis Johnson
Tyler Jones
Kurt Kominek
Terina Lovelace
Seth Manning
Joely McClain
Ashlee Miller
Rachel Moncier
Lejla Muhic
Jordan Ortega

Andrew Osborne
Emma Perry
Harper Pollitte
John Porter
Angelia Ratliff
Rachel Reavis
Jacob Reece
Isaac Roberts
Brandon Sexton
Catherine Shook
Sarah Stewart
Chelsea Temple
Jared Thaxton
Kilian Thomas
Andrew Tokarz
Christina Tokarz
Amanda Trent
Ethan Troutman
Jared Waesche
Kimberly Wheeler

All-Tennessee Community College Academic Team Scholars: Presented by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President

All-Tennessee Scholar ............................................................................................................................ Nathan Carrier
All-Tennessee Scholar ............................................................................................................................ Shannon Yerton

President’s Academic Leadership Awards: Presented by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President

General Transfer ................................................................................................................................. Shannon Yerton
Industrial Technology - Mechanical ................................................................................................. Mark Sanders
Volunteer Northeast State Awards
Presented by Dr. Laura Barnett, Professor of Speech, and Dr. Richard Merritt, Professor of Speech

Volunteers of the Year:
Faculty.................................................................Michele Glass
Staff.............................................................................Linda Hamilton
Student........................................................................Michael McGee
Student Organization.................................................G.R.E.E.N.S.

Military Mail Awards:
Faculty........................................................................Ray Allen
Staff..........................................................................Raylene Steward
Student......................................................................Heather Allen
Student Organization.....................................................TRiO CLuB

Student Organization Presidents
Presented by Mark Beaty, Director of Campus Activities

Alpha Sigma Lambda, Nu Sigma Chi Chapter..............................Sherry Crigger
American Welding Society....................................................Robert Broyles
Argumentation and Debate Society.........................................Seth Manning
The Art Club........................................................................Sarah Edwards
Computer Gaming Club..........................................................Daniel Bishop
Council for Leadership, Advocacy, and Student Success, Fall........................................Seth Manning
Council for Leadership, Advocacy, and Student Success, Spring........................................Mason Williams
DREAM Club......................................................................Shannon Yerton
Northeast State Scholars Foundation.........................................Gloria Bridges
Northeast State Student Navigators, Co-President........................Andrea Marshall
Northeast State Student Navigators, Co-President........................Sarah Saulsbury
Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Iota Chi Chapter......................................Mason Williams
Student Traffic Court, Chief Justice................................................Seth Manning
Student Veterans of America....................................................John Hansen
TRiO CLuB.....................................................................Dorina Coggins
Volunteer Northeast State.........................................................Michael McGee

Outstanding Student Organization Advisor Award
Presented by Mark Beaty, Director of Campus Activities

Nominees: Amanda Baldwin-Estep, DREAM Club; Dr. Laura Barnett, Volunteer NeSCC; Jon Cookson, American Welding Society; James Henrichs, G.R.E.E.N.S.; Jane Honeycutt, Phi Theta Kappa, Alpha Iota Chi Chapter; Janice Lewenczuk, Tennessee Society of Professional Engineers; Dr. Richard Merritt, Argumentation and Debate Society; Rose Marie Spangler, Students in Action Service Club

Recipient: Dr. Laura Barnett

Faculty Emeritus Award......................................................Dr. Kurt Kominek, Computer and Information Sciences, 1994-2016
Presented by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President, and Daniel Lawson, Dean of Business Technologies
Outstanding Alumni Award
Presented by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President

Rep. Timothy Hill, Class of 2003

Outstanding Student Award
Presented by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President


Semi-Finalists: Emily Arrowood, Medical Office; Austin Bridges, General Transfer; Gloria Bridges, General Transfer; Essie Christianson, Accounting; Jared Waesche, Engineering Design Technology; Carly Williams, Management and Small Business Management; Mason Williams, Information Technology; Shannon Yerton, General Transfer

Recipient: Kerri Jones

Distinguished Employee Awards
Presented by Dr. Janice Gilliam, President

Distinguished Support Staff:

Nominees: John Adcox, Veterans Affairs; Melissa Brickey, Financial Aid Help Center; Vicky Cartwright, Kingsport Center for Higher Education; Mitzi Daniel, Center for Students with Disabilities; Rayma Gibbs, Scholarship Programs and Student Needs; Bernice Hagaman, Purchasing; Beverly Leonard, Student Life; Carol Lyon, Foundation; Catherine Phillips, Enrollment Services and Campus Information; Summer Wright, Plant Operations and Maintenance

Recipient: Melissa Brickey

Distinguished Administrative/Professional Staff:

Nominees: Amanda Baldwin-Estep, Center for Students with Disabilities; Mark Beaty, Student Life; Russell Bowman, Computer Services; Jonathan Brooks, Marketing; James Henrichs, Enrollment Services and Campus Information; Christopher Hitechew, Northeast State at Elizabethton; Josh Johnson, Scholarship Programs and Student Needs; Jessica Kelso, Veterans Affairs; Margaret Lester, Computer Services; Holly Malone, Financial Aid; Betty Mask, Center for Students with Disabilities; Chelsea Rose, Career and Technical Education; Shawna Shafer, Advising Resource Center; Greg Walters, Student Development; Gwen Widner, University Parallel Dual Enrollment/Northeast State at Gray; William Wilson, Humanities

Recipient: Christopher Hitechew

Distinguished Faculty Member:

Nominees: Josh Archer, English; Robin Byrne, Astronomy; Dr. Steven Campbell, Business Accounting; Dr. Charles Charlton, Reading/Learning Strategies; Jefferson Coalson, Surgical Technology; David Cook, Physics; Erin Ferris, Sociology/Anthropology; Maggie Flint, Mathematics; Jane Honeycutt, English/Women’s Studies; Dale Ledford, Biology; Jeremy Maskew, Welding/Metal Fabrication; Thomas McNeil, Biology; Dr. Richard Merritt, Speech; Sherman Patrick, History; Audrey Peters, English; Lisa Poole, Psychology; Mark Taylor, Mathematics

Recipient: Dr. Charles Charlton

Closing: Dr. Janice Gilliam, President
Honors Convocation

Committees

Awards Hosts
Jessica Fields, Josh Johnson, Sherry Mott, Greg Walters

Ceremony Host
Elizabeth Sloan

Disability Seating and Interpreters
Sharon Hulse, M. J. Light, Betty Mask

Distinguished Employee Awards
DEA Selection Committee, Megan Jones

Emergency Response
John Edens, Kim Rapcan BSN RN

Facilities/MeadowView
Melissa Glover, Greg Walters

Floor Managers
Mark Beaty, Erin Blevins, Josh Johnson, Melissa Glover

Foundation
Dr. Leigh Hornsby, Carol Lyon

Honors Graduates
Deidra Close, Samantha Rowlett

Music
Austin Bennett, Frederica Cook, Northeast State Choral Ensemble, Tawana Teague

Outstanding Alumni Award
OAA Selection Committee, Dr. Leigh Hornsby, Robin Matthews

Outstanding Student Award
OSA Selection Committee, Russell Bowman, Melissa Glover, Greg Walters

Photography
Bob Carpenter, John Cornelius, David Grace, Tom Wilson, Carson Waugh

Program/Printing
Jonathan Brooks, Mark Fleming, Melissa Glover, Jeff Grindstaff, Greg Walters

President’s Office
Cindy Christian, Pamela Hammond, Karen Johnson

Program Area Awards
Academic Deans, Darla Cope, Melissa Glover, Dr. Sam Rowell, Greg Walters

Publicity/Mascot
Amanda Adams, Jonathan Brooks, Bob Carpenter, Brenda Griggs, J. P. the Mascot, Tom Wilson

Registration
Kathy Albright, Vicki Cordero, Julie Dykes, Marsha Elam, Rayma Gibbs, Julia Gonder, Tony Kay, Beverly Leonard, Amanda Miller, Shawna Shafer

Registration Awards Table
Sheila Jackson, Cathy Phillips, Will Riddle

Set Up
Pat Chandler, Marsha Elam, Jessica Fields, Sheila Jackson, Josh Johnson, Heather Jones, Beverly Leonard, Amanda Miller, Sherry Mott, Jennifer Starling, Greg Walters

Special Guests and Presenters
Deidra Close, Shelby McKenzie

Seating/Ushers/E & I
Jim Henrichs, Northeast State Scholars Foundation, Northeast State Student Navigators, Virginia Salmon

Signage
Jonathan Brooks, Melissa Glover, Greg Walters

Stage Escorts
Mikaela Peets, Morgan Smith

Student Workers
Ashlyn Bailey, Lauren Couch, Heather Gill, Jennifer Patterson, Sarah Rhoton, David Spears, Clayton Stanley

Videography/Media Services
Brandon Burleson, Chris Mitchell, Eric Morritt, Tate Stophel, Carson Waugh

VIP Card Sort and Runners
Megan Almaroad, Erin Blevins, Pat Chandler, Jessica Fields, Heather Jones, Sherry Mott, Elizabeth Sloan, Denise Walker
Honors Convocation

Honors Convocation music provided by the Northeast State Choral Ensemble
Craig Campbell, Dr. Charles Charlton, Ruth Davis, Austin Gentry, Jim Henson, Sheila Jackson, Gracie Leonard, Heidi Lyon, Linnea Olson, Samantha Rowlett, Elizabeth Vanhoy
Directed by Tawana Teague, Assistant Professor of Music
Accompanied by Frederica Cook, Piano

Selections:
Edelweiss (Richard Rogers); My Favorite Things (Richard Rogers); Silence My Soul (Francisco Feliciano); Bring Us Peace (Melchoir Franck/Linda Spevacek); Love Is Little – Jim Henson, Soloist (arranged by Kevin Siegfried); I’d Like to Teach the World to Sing (arranged by Milt Rogers); Keep Your Lamps Trimmed and Burnin’ (arranged by Greg Gilpin)

President’s All-Academic Team Reception music arranged by Austin Bennett

Selections:
A Newborn Awakes; Falling in Love; Night Walking; Midnight Thinking; Footprints; Night City Streets Walking in a Dark City; What I Feel for You; Fly High My Dear Angel

Program Area, Outstanding Alumni, Outstanding Student, and Distinguished Employee Award recipients are asked to remain after tonight’s ceremony and report to the photography area for photographs. Individual and event photos will be posted at www.NortheastStatephotos.com for your convenience.

Copies of Echoes & Images will be available in the lobby after the ceremony.

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Tuesday, May 9, 2017
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