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Jillian's Success Story ...

"I am Kokomo High School Class of 2022 graduate Jillian Braswell, the daughter of Chris and Susan Braswell. I graduated from KHS with an Academic Honors Diploma and Magna Cum Laude honors. Kokomo High School and its many academic opportunities were perfect for me since I have known since elementary school that I wanted to be a nurse. While taking advantage of both the Advanced Placement (AP) and IB Diploma Program courses at KHS, I also was able to attain my State CNA (Certified Nursing Assistant) license through the nursing pathway at the Kokomo Area Career Center. The rigor of my AP and IB classes, combined with my CNA courses, have taught me the time management skills and study habits that I will need to be successful in college, and life. Through my IB classes, I also was able to study my Native American (Choctaw Indian) ancestry and heritage.

"The diversity of the staff, students, and the curriculum at Kokomo High School has prepared me for future successes. My science teacher, Mrs. (Greta) Faurote, was influential by being both positive and motivational. Mr. (Ben) Diener made Calculus easy for me to understand, while my Dance and Cheer coach, Mrs. Gina Curl, gave me leadership opportunities as a Team Captain, but she always expected me to excel! I so appreciate my parents for always being my biggest supporters no matter what I chose to do. Teaching dance at the YMCA will help me be a better nurse since I learned how to communicate in an age-appropriate manner.

"I plan to attend Indiana University (Bloomington) in the fall on a Provost Scholarship with a concentration in Nursing with hopes of becoming a Nurse Practitioner in pediatrics. I wish to thank the local sponsors for the following awards: the John Pitzer Memorial Scholarship, the C.V. Haworth Memorial Scholarship, the Frances & Jean Claytor Memorial Scholarship, the Kokomo Public Schools Education Foundation Legacy Scholarship, the Sandifur Family Scholarship, and the Waylon Coulter Memorial Scholarship."

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The Kokomo High School Class of 2022 has handled this ongoing pandemic with grace and flexibility. These seniors adapted to procedures in their classrooms, in athletics, and in extracurriculars; while setting an amazing example for our younger students. The academic, athletic, and musical achievements – as well as the leadership and service efforts – of this class will be remembered. Some students in the Class of 2022 helped Wildkat Winter Winds, Winter Guard, and Vocal Jazz qualify for the State Finals; and they helped KHS earn a High School All Choir Award and a High School All Band Award.

The KHS College Prep Academy features Advanced Placement (AP) courses (corporation pays all AP exam fees), an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Program, Project Lead the Way engineering classes, and a fine arts graduation pathway. Helping this Senior class earn more than \$7 million in scholarships were 10 Summa Cum Laude graduates and 14 who earned Magna Cum Laude honors.

Congrats to all KHS Class of 2022 graduates. If you would like to join the KHS academic family, please contact Principal Angela Blessing via email at ablessing@kokomo.k12.in.us.

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