

## Olivia's Success Story ...

"I am Kokomo High School Class of 2022 graduate Olivia Hemmerich. the daughter of Mike and Sarah Hemmerich. I graduated from Kokomo High School with an Academic Honors Diploma and Summa Cum Laude honors. I took advantage of the many Advanced Placement (AP) courses offered at KHS by taking 8 of them, which equaled a semester's worth of college credit. The teachers at Kokomo Schools care about their students, and they make you feel heard. Some of my best memories are from my middle school years at Maple Crest, where our STEM projects stood out ... from creating an invention as part of a "Shark Tank" to solving a murder mystery.

"In addition to the academics, I am grateful for the wide variety of athletic and extra-curricular opportunities at Kokomo High School. I played varsity tennis and basketball all four years, while I also earned Varsity K's as a manager for the boys' tennis program. I gained leadership skills by serving as President of SADD, Secretary of the Varsity Club, and Treasurer of Girls' League. Another outstanding feature at Kokomo High School is having the Kokomo Area Career Center down the hall, where I was able to complete my Health Practicum at Herbst Pharmacy my senior year.

"A special Thank You to my parents for always being my biggest supporters. The late nights and early mornings would have been much harder without them. After considering scholarship offers from Butler, Purdue, and Toledo, I decided to accept the Trustee Scholarship and attend Ohio Northern University because of its Direct Entry Pharmacy Program, where I hope to earn my Pharmacy Degree and become a hospital pharmacist. I wish to thank the local sponsors for the following awards: the Wherrett Scholarship, the Ann Millikan Scholarship, the Debbie Stockdell Kokomo Teachers Association Scholarship, the Gene & Wilma Parks Scholarship, the Goodfellows of Kokomo Scholarship, the Helen & Morris Stout Scholarship, the Sadie A. Townsend Memorial Scholarship, and the Script K Scholarship."



## Kokomo!

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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