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COMMUNITY COLLEGE SCHOLARS RECOGNIZED AS 2018 ALL-ALABAMA ACADEMIC TEAM

More than \$64,000 in scholarships awarded to 46 Alabama students

MONTGOMERY – On Friday, Alabama Community College System Chancellor Jimmy H. Baker, college presidents, and faculty and staff recognized 46 students from across the state for their selection as 2018's All-Alabama Academic Team. The All-Alabama Academic Team members are selected by Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society for their demonstration of academic excellence and intellectual rigor, leadership and service, and for their commitment to extending their education beyond the classroom to benefit society.

"It is a great honor to recognize these 46 outstanding students from our community colleges across the state for their commitment to excellence and their service to their communities," Chancellor Baker said. "The individuals selected for the All-Alabama Academic Team represent our state's best and brightest and I'm truly optimistic for our state's future with students like these at the helm."

The All-Alabama Academic Team recognition program was founded in 1995 to complement the All-USA Academic Team Program sponsored by USA Today, Phi Theta Kappa Honor Society, and the American Association of Community Colleges.

The All-USA and All-Alabama Academic Team recognition is open to all eligible students. Students interested in applying submit applications to their local community college's Phi Theta Kappa nominator. Applicants must have a minimum 3.5 GPA and be enrolled in a minimum of six semester credit hours. Each nominator reviews the

applications and submits nominations for consideration for the All-USA Academic Team. Applications are scored and two individuals from each Alabama community college are selected for the All-Alabama Academic Team.

Additionally, based on application scores, 20 students from across the United States are chosen for the All-USA Academic Team. This year, Alan Dailey, III, from Bishop State Community College was selected for this special recognition. Dailey was also recognized as the New Century Transfer Pathway Scholar which is reserved for the student with the highest application score in each state.

Nominated students can also qualify for the Coca-Cola Academic Team. Students chosen for this honor are categorized as Gold, Silver or Bronze Scholars. Ten Alabama students were recognized as Coca-Cola Scholars, 2 Gold, 7 Silver, and 1 Bronze, these honors are indicated below.

In total more than \$64,000 in scholarships was awarded to the recognized students. For those students intending to transfer to a four-year in-state institution, 14 Alabama colleges and universities also provide additional scholarships for All-Alabama Academic Team members.

2018 All-Alabama Academic Team

Esther Iyanuoluwa

Adewuyi
*Gadsden State
Community College*
Kwara State, Nigeria

Lillie Barksdale

*Reid State Technical
College*
Brewton, AL

Lexie Blackstone

*Snead State Community
College*
Albertville, AL

Christian Allen Brown

*Jefferson State
Community College*
Vandiver, AL

Casey Busby

Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
*Coastal Alabama
Community College*
Saint Stephens, AL

Christian Callahan

Marion Military Institute
Huntsville, AL

Hannah Campbell

*Calhoun Community
College*
Hartselle, AL

Peighton Carpenter

*Lurleen B. Wallace
Community College*
Brantley, AL

Audrey Carroll

*Northeast Alabama
Community College*
Section, AL

Alan Dailey, III

All-USA Academic
Team
New Century Pathway
Scholar
*Bishop State
Community College*
Saraland, AL

Grace Defoor

Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
*Bevill State Community
College*
Haleyville, AL

Jenna Frye
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Bronze Scholar
*Coastal Alabama
Community College*
Monroeville, AL

Sean Hagood
*Drake State Community
and Technical College*
Elkmont, AL

**Elizabeth Claire
Henslee**
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
*Bevill State Community
College*
Winfield, AL

Rachel Houghton
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
*Gadsden State
Community College*
Attalla, AL

**Cheyanna Huston-
McCrea**
*Enterprise State
Community College*
Enterprise, AL

**Challie Elizabeth
Johnson**
*Wallace State
Community College –
Hanceville*
Massey, AL

Destiny Jones
*Jefferson State
Community College*
Clanton, AL

Caleb Jones
*Wallace Community
College – Selma*
Montgomery, AL

Zachary Mangum
*Calhoun Community
College*
Priceville, AL

Haley Rose McInnis
*Enterprise State
Community College*
Enterprise, AL

Gavin Medley
*Chattahoochee Valley
Community College*
Smiths Station, AL

Angel Moreno
*Chattahoochee Valley
Community College*
Great Bend, KS

Michael Nguyen
*Drake State Community
and Technical College*
Huntsville, AL

Diane Peoples
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Bronze Scholar
*Northwest-Shoals
Community College*
Muscle Shoals, AL

Josh Pinkard
*Northwest-Shoals
Community College*
Russellville, AL

Connor Rainey
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Gold Scholar
Marion Military Institute
Prattville, AL

Lizeth Lopez Ramirez
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
*Northeast Alabama
Community College*
Crossville, AL

Terry Rice
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
*Central Alabama
Community College*
Sylacauga, Alabama

Katelyn Sanford
*Shelton State
Community College*
Northport, AL

Gabrielle Santora
*Wallace Community
College – Dothan*
Slocomb, AL

Elijah Smith
*Southern Union State
Community College*
Valley, AL

Hunter Smith
*Trenholm State
Community College*
Clanton, AL

Briania T. Smith
Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Gold Scholar
*Lawson State
Community College*
Lansing, MI

Shelby Lynn Stokes
*Lawson State
Community College*
Lakeview, AL

Adam Tapley
*Central Alabama
Community College*
Alexander City, AL

Dawson Reid Taylor
*Southern Union State
Community College*
Lineville, AL

Rō Shā Todd
*Trenholm State
Community College
Prattville, AL*

Joy Grace Webb
*Snead State Community
College
Albertville, AL*

James Scott Williams
*Wallace Community
College – Dothan
Baltimore, MD*

Taylor Urech
*Wallace State
Community College –
Hanceville
Cullman, AL*

Ilena L. Wells
*Bishop State
Community College
Mobile, AL*

Starla Williams
*Reid State Technical
College
Red Level, AL*

Brandon Scott Walker
*Coca-Cola Academic
Team – Silver Scholar
Lurleen B. Wallace
Community College
Brantley, AL*

Mary Claire White
*Wallace Community
College – Selma
Valley Grande, AL*

Tyler Elaine Yarbrough
*Shelton State
Community College
Vance, AL*

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