

2014-2015

**STARKVILLE
OKTIBBEHA**
SCHOOL DISTRICT

HONORS

ACHIEVEMENTS

National Merit Finalist (3)
National Merit Scholar
Presidential Scholars (4), Mississippi State (2), Millsaps (1), and University of Southern California (1)
Mississippi State University Provost Scholar (2)
United States Presidential Scholars Program
President's Volunteer Service Award
Governor's Give Award, Outstanding Volunteer Leadership by a Youth
College Board AP Honor Roll
National Security Language Initiative for Youth (NSLI-Y)
People to People Leadership Ambassador, Film and Arts Program, UCLA
Oxbridge Academic Program, The Oxford Tradition
VCUarts Summer Intensive at Virginia Commonwealth University
United State Naval Academy, Summer STEM Program (2)
Mississippi State University Men of Color Summit
Mississippi State University Women of Color Summit
Mississippi Governor's School (3)
Mississippi Appalachian Community Learning Project
Reach MS Tier 2 Model Site (2)
16th National Congress on School Transportation
Mississippi School Public Relations Association Award of Excellence
American Web Design Award
Gold Award (2)
Eagle Scout (13)
2016 Mississippi Association of Student Councils (MSASC) Conference Host School; MSASC State Treasurer; MSASC Best Project Award; Outstanding Member Award; Outstanding President Award

TEACHERS/ADMINISTRATORS

John K. Bettersworth Mississippi History Teacher of the Year
Starkville Area Education Hall of Fame
Mississippi Governor's School Faculty
Rural School and Community Trust Fellowship
Mississippi Scholastic Press Association Administrator of the Year
Mississippi Scholastic Press Association Advisor of the Year
Mississippi Marketing Teacher of the Year
Mississippi-Alabama All Star Head Coach, Football
Starkville Daily News Coach of the Year, Basketball
National Endowment for the Humanities Landmark Summer Scholar
RURAL TRUST Global Teacher Fellowship
Senator Thad Cochran MS Economics Teacher of the Year
Patricia Behring Teacher of the Year Award, Junior National History Day
MS Project Learning Tree Environmental Educator of the Year
Mississippi LEGO Robotics Mentor Award
Herb Handley Outstanding New Teacher, Mississippi Science Teacher's Association
New York Stock Exchange Graduate Program Fellow
Fulbright Distinguished Award in Teaching Finalist
Senator Thad Cochran Forum on American Enterprise, Featured Panelist
Federal Reserve Educator Advisory Board Appointment
Ernestine Ferrell Award for Excellence in Choral Music
Mississippi Scholastic Art Awards, Blick Award
Kinsey Collection Exhibit at Mississippi State University, Featured Lecturer

ACADEMICS

MS BEST Robotics, State Champions, 2012, 2013, 2014, Top 5 Regional
SeaPerch South Underwater Robotics Regional, 1st, 2nd and 3rd Place
Mississippi National History Day Fair,
Mississippi Region V Science and Engineering Fair, Best in Show (2), 1st Place (7)
Science Olympiad, 1st Place (10)
Mississippi Reading Fair, 1st Place (2), Regional; 2nd Place, State
Mississippi MathCounts, 2nd Place
Mississippi National History Day Fair, 1st Place Senior Website; 1st Place Senior Individual Paper; 1st Place Junior Group Exhibit; Archival Research Special Award; Local History Special Award
Mississippi Scholastic Press Association, High School Sports, 1st place; Best Broadcast Opening Sequence, 1st Place; Best Social Media, 1st Place; New Coverage, 2nd Place; Opinion Writing, 2nd Place; Creative Yearbook Spread, 2nd Place; On-location News Package, 2nd place
University of Mississippi Gravity-Powered Catapult Contest, 1st Place
Capitol Hill Challenge, Invitation Only Stock Market Game representing Senator Roger Wicker

ARTS

National YoungArts Foundation Finalist (2)
Congressional Art Competition, Best in Show, 1st Place (3)
Mississippi Scholastic Art Awards, American Visions Award, Gold Key (13)
Cotton District Arts Festival, Best in Show, 1st Place (6)
National Honor Choir
Mississippi Honor Choir (18)
Poetry Out Loud, 1st Place, Regional; 2nd Place, State
Mississippi Theatre Association 10 Minute Play Festival, Best Production, Best Director, All Star Cast, Overall Technical Design, Best Poster Design
North Half Drama Festival, All Star Cast (2), Best Technical Design
MSU Honor Band (6)
Mississippi Lion's Band
MHSAA State Choral Contest, Superior, Sweepstakes Award
MHSAA State Marching Contest, Superior, Sweepstakes Award

ATHLETICS

MHSAA Class 6A State Champions, Basketball
All State, Football, Basketball, Volleyball, Cross Country, Swimming
The Commercial Dispatch Player of the Year, Basketball
MHSAA Pop Star Award, 2012, 2013, 2014
MHSAA Pop Star Award Finalist, Track, Swimming, and Bowling
All American Mascot
All American Cheerleader (3)
Gatorade Cross Country Player of the Year
Clarion Ledger Athlete of the Week
Clarion Ledger Dandy Dozen
Mississippi-Alabama All Star Game, Football, Basketball and Volleyball
Swimming, Girls 400 Freestyle, State Record Holder