

CONTEST WINNERS

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Winners announced for 61st annual J-Day contests.

Ball State's annual J-Day draws more than 1,000 student journalists and their advisers to campus for a day of informative sessions and journalism-related activities. The J-Day contests are a way for high schools to get valuable recognition for their work. This year, nearly 500 entries were submitted in newspaper, yearbook, online and broadcast journalism categories.

Listed on the following pages are the students and schools receiving honors in the 2016 J-Day contests.

CONTEST WINNERS

NEWS, FEATURE & ONLINE MEDIA

NEWSPAPER OVERALL

DIVISION AA

Superior

Columbus North High School, Staff

Excellent

Southport High School, Staff

Boone High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Staff

Ben Davis High School, Staff

Noblesville High School, Staff

North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff

FEATURE STORY

DIVISION A

Superior

Blackford High School, Bailey Cline

Burriss Laboratory School, Connor Kurek and Bryan Sweitzer

Delta High School, Brooke Kemp

Excellent

Delta High School, Sidney Barkdull

Delta High School, Brooke Kemp

Delta High School, Katelyn Milligan

Honorable Mention

Delta High School, Haleigh Smith

Delta High School, Katelyn Milligan

Delta High School, Sydney May

Delta High School, Gavin Wilson

Eastern Christian High School, Jake Veenstra

Heritage Jr./Sr. High School, Lindsay Bodigon

Plainfield High School, Gaten Hardwick (2)

Princeton Community High School, Brittany Thorne

DIVISION AA

Superior

Columbus North High School, Lillyanne Pham

Excellent

Avon High School, Rachel Moore

Columbus North High School, Lillyanne Pham

Noblesville High School, Kassidy Hall, Connor Keaney and Hayley Nord

North Central High School (Indpls.), Andrew Schmall

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Claire Trinkle

Ben Davis High School, Nicole Thomas

Fishers High School, Lizzie Brown

Homestead High School, Emma Pearl

Penn High School, Tyler Miller

Southport High School, Destiny Bryant

NEWS STORY

DIVISION A

Superior

Delta High School, Charlie May

Excellent

Blackford High School, Bailey Cline

Delta High School, Cassidie Gray

Delta High School, Nate Osner

Honorable Mention

Burriss Laboratory School, Connor Kurek

Burriss Laboratory School, Connor Kurek and Bryan Sweitzer

Blackford High School, Grant Lambert

Heritage Jr./Sr. High School, Helen O'Shaugnessey

DIVISION AA

Superior

Ben Davis High School, Jamilah Evans

Fishers High School, Lizzie Brown

Homestead High School, Awbrei Vachon

Excellent

Avon High School, Brenna Tiffany

Avon High School, Brooke Beaman

Ben Davis High School, Brendyn Waites

Columbus North High School, Lillyanne Pham

Fishers High School, Lia Benvenuti

Fishers High School, Reily Sanderson

Fishers High School, Taylor Wagner

Lawrence North High School, Claire Settlemyre

Plainfield High School, Lex Methner and Katelyn Stewart

Plainfield High School, Hayley Swanson

Honorable Mention

Columbus North High School, Rylie Day and Eva Yezerets

Fishers High School, Carolina Puga-Mendoza

North Central High School (Indpls.) Adam Goff and Cooper Ochs

Penn High School, Staff

Plainfield High School, Katelyn Stewart

SPORTS STORY

DIVISION A

Superior

Burriss Laboratory School, Bryan Sweitzer

Excellent

Delta High School, Sidney Barkdull

Eastern Christian High School, Emma Hagedoorn

Honorable Mention

Burriss Laboratory School, Connor Kurek

Delta High School, Tannon Dishman

Eastern Christian High School, Lindsay Hope

Heritage Jr./Sr. High School, Ryan Gregory, Andrew Saalfrank, Kam

Klingensmith, and Corey Gerardot

Princeton Community High School, Eli Sokeland

DIVISION AA

Superior

Columbus North High School, Kyla Foley

Lawrence North High School, Jared Rigdon

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Rylie Day and Hannah Frey

Fishers High School, Dylan Hughes

Penn High School, Joe Carrillo

Southport High School, Mark Carlson

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Priya Shields

Ben Davis High School, Ryan Eggers

Columbus North High School, Rylie Day, Hannah Frey, Paige Grider

Fishers High School, Claire Rosenthal

Homestead High School, Adam Swiatkowski

Lawrence North High School, Keelen Barlow

Northrop High School, Zach Piatt

Plainfield High School, Maura Adams

PERSONALITY FEATURE

DIVISION A

Honorable Mention

Eastern Christian High School, Emma Hagedoorn

DIVISION AA

Superior

Martinsville High School, Ally Staley

CONTEST WINNERS

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Emily Waskom
Fishers High School, Haley Thomas
Fishers High School, Tori Zainey
R. Nelson Snider High School, Emily Pfeiffer

Honorable Mention

Fishers High School, Emma Russell
R. Nelson Snider High School, Elie Friedman (2)

STAFF EDITORIAL

DIVISION AA

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Staff
North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff

Honorable Mention

Noblesville High School, Staff

OPINION STORY

DIVISION AA

Superior

Southport High School, Niki Smithers

Excellent

Homestead High School, Kylie Poling
R. Nelson Snider High School, Emily Vian

Honorable Mention

Fishers High School, Sierra Solis and Reily Sanderson
Homestead High School, Ethan Zweig
North Central High School (Indpls.), Antonio Singleton, HM
R. Nelson Snider High School, Emily Vian

REVIEW WRITING

DIVISION A

Superior

Heritage Jr./Sr. High School, Nathaniel Hess

Honorable Mention

Delta High School, Nate Osner

DIVISION AA

Honorable Mention

Southport High School, Madeline Hittel
Southport High School, Trinity Cline-Smith

PRINT FRONT PAGE DESIGN

DIVISION AA

Superior

North Central High School (Indpls.), Connor Bright

Excellent

Southport High School, Riley Hyatt

Honorable Mention

North Central High School (Indpls.), Connor Bright
Richmond High School, Jessica Crane
Southport High School, Riley Hyatt

PRINT MULTIPAGE LAYOUT

DIVISION AA

Superior

Avon High School, Gabby Swopes
Columbus North High School, Lillyanne Pham

Excellent

Ben Davis High School, Emily Rasmussen
Columbus North High School, Lillyanne Pham

Honorable Mention

Fishers High School, Linda Chang and Sierra Solis

SPORTS PAGE DESIGN

DIVISION A

Honorable Mention

Delta High School, Sidney Barkdull

DIVISION AA

Superior

North Central High School (Indpls.), Connor Bright

Excellent

Avon High School, Laura Reynolds
Ben Davis High School, Ryan Eggers
Plainfield High School, Maura Adams

Honorable Mention

Southport High School, Niki Smithers
North Central High School (Indpls.), Connor Bright

FEATURE OR ENTERTAINMENT PAGE DESIGN

DIVISION A

Superior

Princeton Community High School, Chris Cowan

Excellent

Princeton Community High School, Chris Cowan

Honorable Mention

Princeton Community High School, Logan Meyer

DIVISION AA

Superior

Ben Davis High School, Nicole Thomas
R. Nelson Snider High School, Caleb North (2)
R. Nelson Snider High School, Zach Hyde

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Maya Baker
Lawrence North High School, Erik Fedje
North Central High School (Indpls.), Connor Bright
Richmond High School, Sydney McWhinney

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Claire Rightley and Light Laleay
Columbus North High School, Maya Baker
North Central High School (Indpls.), Jake Matters
North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff
R. Nelson Snider High School, Caleb North

COVER DESIGN

DIVISION AA

Superior

Avon High School, Gabby Swopes
Columbus North High School, Maddie Gaskill
Noblesville High School, Staff

Excellent

Avon High School, Gabby Swopes
Avon High School, Priya Shields
Columbus North High School, Lillyanne Pham

Honorable Mention

Ben Davis High School, Emily Rasmussen and Shelby Jensen (2)
Noblesville High School, Staff
Plainfield High School, Erika Hufferd
R. Nelson Snider High School, Caleb North

MULTIMEDIA STORYTELLING

DIVISION AA

Honorable Mention

Penn High School, Kate Gonsoroski

PRINT ALT. STORY DESIGN

DIVISION A

Superior

Princeton Community High School, Randi Hanna

Excellent

Princeton Community High School, Logan Meyer

Honorable Mention

CONTEST WINNERS

Delta High School, Sidney Barkdull

DIVISION AA

Superior

Avon High School, Staff

Columbus North High School, Karol Espinoza

Excellent

Avon High School, Hailee Smith and Light Laley

Columbus North High School, Maya Baker

North Central High School (Indpls.), Jake Matters

Honorable Mention

Columbus North High School, Karol Espinoza

Columbus North High School, Maya Baker

North Central High School (Indpls.), Jake Matters

North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff

EDITORIAL CARTOON/COMIC

DIVISION AA

Superior

R. Nelson Snider High School, Emily Vian (3)

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Shreya Hurl

Plainfield High School, Eliza Ash

R. Nelson Snider High School, Emily Vian

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Sydney Johnson

Ben Davis High School, Al Lauren Harris

Columbus North High School, Shreya Hurl

HOME PAGE DESIGN

DIVISION AA

Superior

Columbus North High School, Staff

Excellent

Fishers High School, Sierra Solis

Southport High School, Abigail Barrett and Sofia Salas

Honorable Mention

Penn High School, Ashley Catanzarite

WEBSITE OVERALL

DIVISION AA

Superior

Southport High School, Abigail Barrett and Sofia Salas

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Laura Pierson and Eva Yezerets

Fishers High School, Staff

North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff

YEARBOOK CATEGORIES

YEARBOOK OVERALL

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Superior

Westfield Middle School, Staff

DIVISION A

Superior

Antwerp Local School, Staff

Excellent

Blackford High School, Staff

Princeton Community High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

University Schools, Staff

DIVISION AA

Superior

Boone High School, Staff

Columbus North High School, Staff

North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff

Excellent

Avon High School, Staff

Homestead High School, Staff

Martinsville High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

Ben Davis High School, Staff

Fishers High School, Staff

Richmond High School Staff

COVER AND ENDSHEETS

DIVISION A

Superior

Blackford High School, Staff

Excellent

Princeton Community High School, Staff

DIVISION AA

Superior

North Central High School (Indpls.), Staff

Excellent

Boone High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

Columbus North High School, Staff

SENIOR AD DESIGN

DIVISION A

Superior

Antwerp Local School, Mikayla Boesch

DIVISION AA

Excellent

North Central High School (Indpls.), Sam Alder and Luke Haag

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Hiedi Nguyen and Alison Westergren

TRADITIONAL YEARBOOK DESIGN

DIVISION AA

Superior

Avon High School, Hiedi Nguyen and Taylor Dawson

Excellent

Fishers High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

Martinsville High School, Staff

North Central High School (Indpls.), Sam Alder and Luke Haag

PERSONALITY PROFILE

DIVISION AA

Superior

Ben Davis High School, Maddy Woodward

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Peyton Rhodes

Honorable Mention

Fishers High School, Audree Logan

DISPLAY WRITING

DIVISION A

Honorable Mention

Pike High School, Jordan MacMillan

DIVISION AA

Superior

Avon High School, Rachel Hubbard

Honorable Mention

Fishers High School, Audree Logan

CHRONOLOGICAL YEARBOOK DESIGN

CONTEST WINNERS

DIVISION A

Honorable Mention

Antwerp Local School, Brittany Smith, Annie Miesle, Claire Van Vlerah, and Bailee Sigman

ALT. STORY DESIGN

DIVISION AA

Superior

Columbus North High School, Staff

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

Fishers High School, Jenna Knutson

NON-TRADITIONAL YEARBOOK DESIGN

Honorable Mention

North Central High School (Indpls.), Sam Alder and Luke Haag

PHOTOGRAPHY CATEGORIES

NEWS PHOTO

Division A

Superior

Richland R-1 School, Katie Pinkley

Richland R-1 School, Parker Miller

Excellent

Richland R-1 School, Aleena Robbins

Richland R-1 School, Kate Wyman

Richland R-1 School, Preston Tilley

Honorable Mention

Hebron High School, Amy M. Swinson

Richland R-1 School, Drew Hickson

Richland R-1 School, Parker Miller

Division AA

Superior

Columbus North High School, Sarah Tran

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Paige Grider

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Hiedi Nguyen

Columbus North High School, Paige Grider

FEATURE PHOTO

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Excellent

Westfield Middle School, Emma Luedke

Westfield Middle School, Grace Connor

Honorable Mention

Westfield Middle School, Garrett Smith

DIVISION A

Excellent

Antwerp Local School, Becca Johanns

Richland R-1 School, Emily Blunt

Richland R-1 School, Katie Pinkley

Honorable Mention

Antwerp Local School, Annie Miesle

Antwerp Local School, Brittany Smith

Pike High School, Jordan MacMillan

Richland R-1 School, Katie Pinkley

DIVISION AA

Superior

Ben Davis High School, Sarah Blair

Homestead High School, Emma Cesar (3)

Homestead High School, Yana Weir

Plainfield High School, Anabel Padilla

Richmond High School, Marissa Wigginton

Excellent

Ben Davis High School, Shelby Jensen

Honorable Mention

Avon High School, Rachel Moore

Fishers High School, Audree Logan

Fishers High School, Olivia Nash

Southport High School, Caleb Carrasquillo

SPORTS PHOTO

MIDDLE SCHOOL

Superior

Westfield Middle School, Natalie Penry

Excellent

Westfield Middle School, Emma Luedke

Westfield Middle School, Grace Connor

Westfield Middle School, McKenna Eichenauer

Westfield Middle School, Samantha Lewis

Westfield Middle School, Spencer Howe

Honorable Mention

Westfield Middle School, Natalie Penry

Westfield Middle School, Natalie Shupe

DIVISION A

Superior

Richland R-1 School, Drew Hickson

Richland R-1 School, Katie Pinkley (2)

Richland R-1 School, Parker Miller

Excellent

Antwerp Local School, Annie Miesle

Hebron High School, Dallas K. Hall

Richland R-1 School, Parker Miller

Honorable Mention

Antwerp Local School, Kirsten Price

Blackford High School, Ethan Henderson (2)

Pike High School, Reilly Taylor

Richmond High School, Kiera McWhinney

DIVISION AA

Superior

Homestead High School, Logan Mullinex

Richmond High School, Megan Crass

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Paige Grider

Fishers High School, Taylor Tarry

Homestead High School, Reagan Mikesell

Plainfield High School, Erika Hufferd

Richmond High School, Kiera McWhinney

Richmond High School, Marissa Wigginton

Honorable Mention

Ben Davis High School, Jaylin Finch

Columbus North High School, Anna Horak

Columbus North High School, Paige Grider (2)

Fishers High School, Audree Logan

Homestead High School, Emma Cesar

PHOTO STORY

DIVISION AA

Excellent

R. Nelson Snider High School, Caleb North

Honorable Mention

Plainfield High School, Ashley Davis, Millie Raymer, Anabel Padilla, Connor

Stinson, Jade Stone, Erika Hufferd

CONTEST WINNERS

PHOTO ILLUSTRATION

DIVISION A

Superior

Richland R-1 School, Skie Pinkley

Excellent

Richland R-1 School, Drew Hickson

Honorable Mention

Richland R-1 School, Drew Hickson (2)

DIVISION AA

Superior

Avon High School, Gabby Swopes

Avon High School, Hiedi Nguyen (2)

Excellent

Martinsville High School, Ty Vinson

BROADCAST CATEGORIES

FEATURE

DIVISION A

Honorable Mention

Antwerp Local School, Brittany Smith

Antwerp Local School, Iris Sorrell

Blackford High School, Allie Jennerjahn, Victoria Bauer, Ethan Henderson, Bailey Cline and Logan Garmon

DIVISION AA

Superior

Crown Point High School, Kyle Gilson, Johnny Supan, Seth Cook, Drew

Zimmerman, Blake Bonin

Noblesville High School, Daniel Isaacs and Anna Harp

Excellent

Lake Central High School, Caleb Beasley

Penn High School, Ashley Catanzarite

Honorable Mention

Columbus North High School, Sariah Farmer

Crown Point High School, Abbey Wellman and Mitch Bolda

Crown Point High School, Johnny Supan

Crown Point High School, Kyle Gilson

Crown Point High School, Seth Cook

Lake Central High School, Annabella Piunti

Lake Central High School, Anthony Dye

Lake Central High School, Ashley Merath

Lake Central High School, Brian Travis

Lake Central High School, Ellie Chandos

Lake Central High School, Max Pattison

Lake Central High School, Stephanie O'Drobinak (2)

Lake Central High School, Tatiana Newell

NEWS/ANNOUNCEMENTS

DIVISION A

Excellent

Blackford High School, Allie Jennerjahn, Victoria Bauer, Ethan Henderson, Bailey Cline and Logan Garmon

DIVISION AA

Superior

Noblesville High School, Staff

Excellent

Crown Point High School, Staff

Honorable Mention

Lake Central High School, Caleb Beasley (2)

Penn High School, Staff

DIVISION AA

Superior

Crown Point High School, Staff

Excellent

Columbus North High School, Bryson Cox

SPORTS PLAY-BY-PLAY

DIVISION AA

Excellent

Crown Point High School, Staff

OPENING

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