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## A Friendship at the Top of the Class

By Shelby Klase

For **Valedictorian Ashley Coopridr** and **Salutatorian Madison Fleury**, graduating at the top of their class is an **outstanding accomplishment**. However, what makes this moment even more special is that the two girls will be celebrating **not just as classmates, but as best friends**.

"It is an honor to be 2nd to Ashley because she is so incredibly smart and awesome. **Being able to share the honors as best friends is a wonderful feeling,**" says Madison.

The two became friends their freshman year during soccer season and quickly became a **support system for each other**. Over the years, that connection grew both on and off the field as they **shared classes, studied together, and encouraged one another** academically and athletically.



Rather than competing, Ashley and Madison say their friendship has been built on **encouragement and support**. They **help each other with assignments, hold each other accountable, and celebrate each other's success**.

Both students balance **challenging academics with athletics**, competing in soccer and track. Their dedication in the classroom is matched by strong habits and support from their families. Ashley credits her **organization and focus**, while Madison shares, **"My mom has always encouraged me... watching her be strong and defeat odds has made me want to do the same."**

Sharing the honors of being the **top two in their class as best friends** makes the accomplishment even more meaningful.

**"It is pretty amazing knowing that she will be up on stage with me... I'm so happy she is the person I can share this accomplishment with,"** says Ashley.

This fall, the two will continue their journey together at **Rose-Hulman Institute of Technology**, where they'll be **roommates** for the first time. As they look ahead, both hope to be remembered as **hardworking, supportive, and kind**.

For Ashley and Madison, their success is a testament to **hard work, encouragement, and the power of friendship**.

## CLOSING TODAY 4/8

ATTENTION WCHS SENIORS:

### Scholarship Applications

CPEF is also accepting **scholarship applications** for graduating seniors. Each year, the Foundation awards scholarships to deserving students as part of our mission to support continued educational opportunities beyond high school.

Application details and requirements are available on the CPEF website.

[Click here for scholarships!](#)



### Legacy Award Nominations

The Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation is now accepting Legacy Award nominations from graduating CPCSC seniors. This special award allows seniors to recognize a staff member who has made a meaningful impact on their educational journey or their lives.

Students can submit their nominations through the form available on the CPEF website.

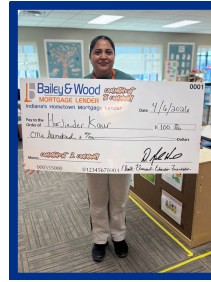
[Click here for the Legacy Awards nomination form!](#)



## March Recap

March was another busy and exciting month for the Clark-Pleasant Education Foundation as we continued celebrating the people and programs that make our schools so special.

Our **Recognize Excellence** winner this month was **Harjinder Kaur**, an Instructional Assistant at the **Clark-Pleasant Early Learning Center**. We are proud to recognize the **care and dedication she brings to supporting our youngest learners** each day. Thank you to **Bailey & Wood** for sponsoring this program and helping us highlight outstanding staff across our district.



On **St. Patrick's Day**, we awarded our **Spring Fine Arts Grant** to **Emily Litsey** for her project, "Arts Outreach: Spreading the Joy of Student Artwork Into Our Community!" This initiative will **bring student artwork into the community** through **murals and local business displays**, while giving students **real-world experience and opportunities to showcase their creativity**.



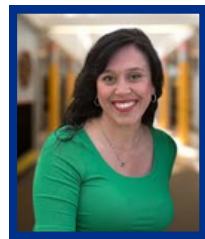
Thank you to our **sponsors, donors, and community partners** who continue to support **Clark-Pleasant students and educators**.

## A Special Thank You to Our Blue Jeans Ball Sponsors



## Jenny's Journal

I'm actually writing April's journal at the end of March as I get ready to head out on Spring Break with my family. This time of year, it feels like everyone is ready for a break. The school year starts to feel long, testing is underway in all of our buildings, and burnout can begin to set in.



Whether you were traveling or just taking a break from the usual routine, I hope you had a chance to rest and recharge. Because now that we're back... it's a full-speed sprint to the end of the year! This is one of my favorite times at the Foundation. It is truly a season of recognition and celebration, where we get to honor the incredible accomplishments of our students, staff, and community. We have the Blue Jeans Ball right around the corner, followed by scholarships and Legacy Awards.

As we begin this final push, I wish you all the best. I'm looking forward to celebrating with you and closing out another successful year together.

## Closing Homes, Opening Opportunities

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CPEF is thankful for The Mother Daughter Real Estate Team's commitment to our community.

Their \$500 donation at each closing helps fund programs that benefit students, teachers, and classrooms across our community.



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**8th Annual Blue Jeans Ball**  
 The Garment Factory Event Center  
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