

Brayden's Success Story ...

"I am Kokomo High School Class of 2020 graduate Brayden York, son of Matthew and Darcie York. I am graduating from KHS as an International Baccalaureate (IB) Diploma Candidate. I traveled to England twice through the IB program, which prompted me to create the Melanie Peoples Memorial Travel Scholarship for Kokomo students who want to travel abroad. The rigorous IB program challenged me to think deeply about the world around me and my role in it, while preparing me for college-level research and writing. The KEY High Ability Program at Sycamore and Central prepared me for the rigorous classes at KHS. Through KEY, I was able to build a support system among my peers, who are now my best friends.

"I completed 6 Advanced Placement (AP) courses and took 12 AP exams (fees paid by the corporation). The combination of these AP exams, dual credit classes, and IB exams, should allow me to enter college with 40 college credits. While at Kokomo High School, I served as captain of the KHS swim team, and was a varsity member of the Unified Track team. I was elected KHS Student Council President, KHS Senior Class President, and Vice President of the HOSA Future Health Professionals State Chapter. I was honored to be among 17 high school students from the United States and Africa selected to participate in the National Bezos Scholars program, where I developed a community project focused on disability awareness and inclusion at KHS. The academic and extra-curricular opportunities offered at Kokomo High School are unmatched!

"I plan to attend Butler University in the fall to major in international studies with a pre-law concentration. I am grateful to have received \$25,500 per year in academic scholarships from Butler, in addition to the Wherrett Memorial Scholarship (\$15,000 per year), Spirit of 1961 Scholarship (\$1,900), Lilly Finalist Scholarship (\$1,500), Goodfellows of Kokomo Scholarship (\$1,000), and Golden K Kiwanis Scholarship (\$1,000)."

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The Kokomo High School Class of 2020 definitely experienced unprecedented times during its final semester at Kokomo High School. I was very proud of an incredible senior class, especially the class officers, for handling the pandemic with grace and flexibility, while preserving the many traditions of passage - Senior Recognition Evening, the Annual KatWalk, and Graduation with a Twist - virtually. The KHS Class of 2020 understands "Legacy Matters!" Congratulations to the KHS Class of 2020 for earning \$7.4 million in scholarships to colleges around the world.

The KHS College Prep Academy features 25 Advanced Placement (AP) courses (corporation pays all AP exam fees), an authorized International Baccalaureate (IB) diploma program, Project Lead the Way engineering classes, and award-winning Music and Arts programs. Congrats to all KHS Class of 2020 graduates and their families. 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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