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**Erin O'Neill awarded the Cindy Ethington Memorial Scholarship
from Central Kentucky Community Foundation**

ELIZABETHTOWN, KY (June 11, 2020) – Nelson County High School graduate Erin O'Neill is one of 145 students earning scholarships from Central Kentucky Community Foundation. She was awarded the Cindy Ethington Memorial Scholarship.

O'Neill is a 2020 graduate of NCHS and will enroll at Allegheny College to study biology. She is the daughter of Brian and Carmen O'Neill.

Cindy taught English and drama for many years at Nelson County High School, where she was known for the plays she directed. She used her talents in the community through the Stephen Foster Music Club, Nelson County Theater Association, and church choir programs. The scholarship, established through the Nelson County Schools Community Support Foundation, awards \$1,000 annually to a Nelson County Schools student.

"Through the generosity of our donors, students across our region can continue their education," said Davette B. Swiney, President and CEO of CKCF. "Our scholarship program, Scholarship Central, is a great way to empower local students and show them the impact of philanthropy. It's an honor to connect people to the causes they care about while helping people pursue their educational goals."

The Cindy Ethington Memorial Scholarship is one of 170 scholarships being awarded by CKCF this year through Scholarship Central. The scholarships total nearly \$322,000 and were awarded to 145 students from 17 high schools and four colleges in the region. All scholarship awards were announced during Celebrating Achievement, Central Kentucky Community Foundation's scholarship awards program. You can watch it at https://youtu.be/qqlS2Y_XyKw.

To establish a scholarship fund or to find out more information on this scholarship and other scholarships available to students, go to <http://ckcf4people.org/scholarships/>.

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