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**Two students awarded the Kathy Mattingly Kidwell Memorial Scholarship
from Central Kentucky Community Foundation**

ELIZABETHTOWN, KY (June 11, 2020) – Two Nelson County Schools students were part of 145 students earning scholarships from Central Kentucky Community Foundation. They were awarded the Kathy Mattingly Kidwell Memorial Scholarship.

The recipients of the scholarship are Kailee Miller and Kaitlyn McKinney. Miller is a 2020 graduate of Thomas Nelson High School and will enroll at Western Kentucky University to study speech pathology. She is the daughter of Steve and Donna Miller. McKinney is a 2020 graduate of Nelson County High School and will enroll at Elizabethtown Community and Technical College to study nursing. She is the daughter of Brian and Karen McKinney.

The Kathy Mattingly Kidwell Memorial Scholarship awards \$500 to two Nelson County Schools students each year in memory of Kathy, who died in 2014 when she was 35. Along with her family, Kathy was an active volunteer with Nelson County Special Olympics. She was also active with the American Diabetes Association and St. Gregory Catholic Church. A graduate of WKU, she was a member of Sigma Kappa and worked at Sullivan University in the Graduate School office. The scholarship was established through the Nelson County Schools Community Support Foundation.

“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 Kathy Mattingly Kidwell 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/qqIS2Y_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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