

2007 Award Winners—1037 entries

Best News Story—93 entries

Nora Ismail, Harpeth Hall, first place—Internet Filtering
Megan Bailey, Red Bank High School, second place—Compassion Convergence
Carol Ross, Bartlett High School, third place—Clubs Unite
Renee Riggs, Springfield High School, honorable mention
Lauren Edwards, Greeneville High School, honorable mention
Miranda Martin, Hendersonville High School, honorable mention
Maria Flores, Coffee County Central High School, honorable mention
Chanel Cases, Hunters Lane High School, honorable mention
Joshua King, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Lauren Belcher, Maryville High School, honorable mention
Mandy Strader, Blackman High School, honorable mention

Best Feature Story—110 entries

Abby Riley, Springfield High School, first place—Genocide survivor
Renée Riggs, Springfield High School, second place—Short by nature
Lexi Frensley, Hunters Lane High School, third place—Gay teens
Elizabeth Morrison, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention
Bethany Hickman, Maryville High School, honorable mention
Christie Pingel, Cordova High School, honorable mention
Alli Arms, Blackman High School, honorable mention
Pat Killian, Montgomery Bell Academy, honorable mention
Kayla Bates, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Jade Cunningham, Cookeville High School, honorable mention
Lauren Williams, Greeneville High School, honorable mention
Breezi Monday, Coffee County Central High School, honorable mention

Best Column—107 entries

Matt Mildenberg, McCallie School, first place—The Starbucks Syndrome
Michael Wassmer, Collierville High School, second place—Violence 101
Lauren Williams, Greeneville High School, third place—Freedom of choice
Matt Mildenberg, McCallie School, honorable mention
Kelsey Taylor, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Bradley Williamson, Bartlett High School, honorable mention
Julia Denney, Columbia Academy, honorable mention
Elizabeth Hofer, St. Benedict at Auburndale School, honorable mention
Carey Prince, Houston High School, honorable mention
Miriam Kramer, Farragut High School, honorable mention
Brandee Luttmann, Watertown High School, honorable mention
Alex Harris, McCallie School, honorable mention
Hannah Werthan, Harpeth Hall, honorable mention
Joy Blair, Greeneville High School, honorable mention

Best Editorial—21 entries

Ben Zolkower, Hillwood High School, first place--Misspellings
Julie Harris, Coffee County Central High School, second place—Renaissance program
Editorial Staff, Powell High School, third place—New gradebook system
Emily Booker, Greeneville High School, honorable mention
Jessica Lowe, Meigs High School, honorable mention
Tiffany Gilliam, Coffee County High School, honorable mention
Editorial Staff, Monterey High School, honorable mention
Jackie Boehmler, Dyersburg High School, honorable mention
Editorial Staff, Powell High School, honorable mention
Alec McGuffey, Montgomery Bell Academy, honorable mention
Ben Zolkower, Hillwood High School, honorable mention

Best Photograph—68 entries

Holmes Hill, Evangelical Christian School, first place
Amy Henderson, Coffee County Central High School, second place
Alex Blackwelder, Powell High School, third place
Gamble Scranton, Collierville High School, honorable mention
Rachel Allen, Farragut High School, honorable mention
Jessica Lowe, Meigs County High School, honorable mention
Kayla Davis, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention
Caroline Coughlin, Brentwood Middle School, honorable mention
Taila Flantzman, Brentwood Middle School, honorable mention
Joshua A. King, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Alec McGuffey, Montgomery Bell Academy, honorable mention

Best Sports Story—85 entries

Jessica Hasty, Springfield High School, first place—Golf Wonder
Chad Hafer, Coffee County Central High School, second place—Trap Team
Adam Williams, Coffee County Central High School, second place—Trap Team
Jessica Hasty, Springfield High School, third place—Bowling Record
Michael Lamb, Springfield High School, honorable mention
Elizabeth Davis, Coffee County Central High School, honorable mention
Jacqueline Brown, Red Bank High School, honorable mention
Jordan Griesbeck, Evangelical Christian School, honorable mention
Duke Battles, McCallie School, honorable mention
Micah Miller, Roane County High School, honorable mention
Abby Riley, Springfield High School, honorable mention

Best Illustration/Cartoon—45 entries

Devin Pinkston, St. Benedict at Auburndale School, first place—Political Sparring
Devin Pinkston, St. Benedict at Auburndale School, second place
Felipe Haddad, Codova High School, third place
J. P. Maywald, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Maggie Miller, Powell High School, honorable mention
Bradley Williamson, Bartlett High School, honorable mention
David Knecht, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Josh Lockhart, Coffee County Central High School, honorable mention
Maggie Miller, Powell High School, honorable mention
Everitte Barbee, Montgomery Bell Academy, honorable mention
Chase Altenber, Montgomery Bell Academy, honorable mention

Best Front Page Design—46 entries

Katie Mars, Evangelical Christian School, first place
Katie Mars, Evangelical Christian School, second place
Renée Riggs, Springfield High School, third place
Alex Harris, McCallie School, honorable mention
Susan Mathis, Brentwood Middle School, honorable mention
Maddie Sligh, Brentwood Middle School, honorable mention
Tanner Giles, Brentwood Middle School, honorable mention
Noura Ismail, Harpeth Hall, honorable mention
Newspaper Staff, Meigs County High School, honorable mention
Justin Lindsey, Hunters Lane High School, honorable mention
Hannah Rodriguez, Hunters Lane High School, honorable mention
Karina Barlow, Morristown West High School, honorable mention

Best Inside Page Design—63 entries

Noura Ismail, Harpeth Hall, first place
Jane Ellis, Evangelical Christian School, second place
Emily Turner, Harpeth Hall, third place
Matt Pagan, Dyersburg High School, honorable mention
The Commando Post Staff, Hendersonville High School, honorable mention
Noah Fagan, Springfield High School, honorable mention
Serena Dai, Farragut High School, honorable mention
Emily Turner, Harpeth Hall, honorable mention
Drew Lewis, Coffee County Central High School, honorable mention
Kristi Wilkinson, Blackman High School, honorable mention

Best Advertisement—26 entries

Deanna Strafuss, Houston High School, first place
Tyler Haggard, Coffee County Central High School, second place
Justin Lindsey, Hunters Lane High School, third place
Allison Cowan, Springfield High School, honorable mention
Allison Cowan, Springfield High School, honorable mention (a double winner)
Jessica Hasty, Springfield High School, honorable mention
Justin Lindsey, Hunters Lane High School, honorable mention
Adam Jarvis, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Levi Brown, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Gamble Scranton, Collierville High School, honorable mention

Best Review—74 entries

Serena Dai, Farragut High School, first place
Kate Bewley, Greeneville High School, second place
Miranda Martin, Hendersonville High School, third place
David Arocho, Bartlett High School, honorable mention
Kevin Thomas, Montgomery Bell Academy, honorable mention
Alex Carter, Memphis University School, honorable mention
Lauren Belcher, Maryville High School, honorable mention
Marsel Gray, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention
Chris Heaton, Roane County High School, honorable mention
Kelsey Taylor, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Hamilton Barber, McCallie School, honorable mention
Steven Hopkins, McCallie School, honorable mention
Rachel Banks, Cookeville High School, honorable mention

Best Overall Newspaper—34 entries

Yellow Jacket, Springfield High School, first place
The Edge, Coffee County Central High School, second place
Blue & White, Red Bank High School, third place
Logos, Harpeth Hall, honorable mention
Trojan Torch, Dyersburg, honorable mention
The Panther Prowl, Powell High School, honorable mention
Cattales, Monterey High School, honorable mention
The Voice, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
The Pony Express, Houston High School, honorable mention
The Eagle's Eye, Evangelical Christian School, honorable mention
The Tornado, McCallie School, honorable mention
The Greene & White, Greenville High School, honorable mention
Upperman Times, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Warrior Post, Hunters Lane High School, honorable mention

Best Student Life Copy—8 entries

Kara Seat, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Holly Groves, Montgomery Central High School, second place
Michael Bates, Christ Presbyterian Academy, third place
Sarah Crane, Christ Presbyterian Academy, honorable mention
Kelly Summers, Grundy County High School, honorable mention
Priya Chaturvedi, University School of Nashville, honorable mention

Best Organizations and Sports Copy—9 entries

Kara Seat, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Emily Crane, Christ Presbyterian Academy, second place
Sarah Crane, Christ Presbyterian Academy, third place
Deanne Tipton, Grundy County High School, honorable mention
Jordan Ramsey, Clarkrange High High School, honorable mention

Best Academic Copy—8 entries

Taylor Mobley, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Philip Gilman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, second place
Angela Borne, Grundy County High School, third place
Sara Seesholtz, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention
Mackenzie Catron-Walden, University School of Nashville, honorable mention
Karen Wolf, Knoxville Catholic High School, honorable mention

Best Black and White Photograph—10 entries

Daniel Harris, Nashville Christian School, first place
Ross Cobb, Centennial High School, second place
Beth Green, University School of Nashville, third place
Amy Parks, Knoxville Catholic High School, honorable mention
Ross Cobb, Centennial High School, honorable mention
Ross Cobb, Centennial High School, honorable mention (a double winner)
William Norris, Nashville Christian School, honorable mention

Best Color Photograph—13 entries

Ross Cobb, Centennial High School, first place
Richard Sullivan, Christ Presbyterian Academy, second place
Haley Stocker, Grundy County High School, third place
Tiffany Briggs, Nashville Christian School, honorable mention
Richard Sullivan, Christ Presbyterian Academy, honorable mention
Chad Sullivan, Nashville Christian School, honorable mention
Mackenzie Catron-Walden, University School of Nashville, honorable mention
Ross Cobb, Centennial High School, honorable mention
Ross Cobb, Centennial High School, honorable mention (a double winner)
Chad Sullivan, Nashville Christian School, honorable mention
Holly Groves, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention

Best Student Life Design—14 entries

Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, second place (a double winner)
Tiffany Biggs, Nashville Christian School, third place
Hunter Stroud, Centennial High School, honorable mention
Hailey Sawyer, Centennial High School, honorable mention
Jordan Viers, Centennial High School, honorable mention
Megan Gully, Grundy County High School, honorable mention
Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, honorable mention
Natasha Pressley, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention
Priya Chaturvedi, University School of Nashville, honorable mention
Taylor Huddleston, Nashville Christian School, honorable mention
Brooke Fordham, Clarkrange High School, honorable mention

Best Sports Design—9 entries

Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, second place
Alicia Duncan, Grundy County High School, third place
Daniel Harris, Nashville Christian School, honorable mention
Danielle Jones, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention
Drew Yarbrough, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention

Best Organizations Design—5 entries

Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Ben Cantrell, Christ Presbyterian Academy, second place
Robyn Hobbs, Grundy County High School, third place
Natasha Presley, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention

Best Index Design—5 entries

Ryan Inman, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Jessica Gilliam, Grundy County High School, second place
Natasha Presley, Montgomery Central High School, third place
Dillon Goodson, University School of Nashville, honorable mention
Kelsey Tanner, University School of Nashville, honorable mention

Best Theme Package—19 entries

Lion's Roar, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Spirit of 2006, Jefferson County High School, second place
The Blueprint, Franklin Road Academy, third place
Laurel, Grundy County High School, honorable mention
Beyond It All, Heritage High School, honorable mention
Résumé, Tullahoma High School, honorable mention
Roar, Red Bank High School, honorable mention
The Volunteer, University School of Nashville, honorable mention

Best Advertisement—9 entries

Holly Groves, Montgomery Central High School, first place
Jodi Hunt, Montgomery Central High School, second place
Kelsey Tanner, University School of Nashville, third place
Rachel Bertone, Centennial High School, honorable mention

Best Overall Yearbook—19 entries

Lion's Roar, Christ Presbyterian Academy, first place
Spirit of 2006, Jefferson County High School, second place
The Shamrock, Knoxville Catholic High School, third place
Résumé, Tullahoma High School, honorable mention
The Blueprint, Franklin Road Academy, honorable mention
Highlights, Heritage High School, honorable mention
The Volunteer, University School of Nashville, honorable mention
Principis, Webb School of Knoxville, honorable mention
Laurel, Grundy County High School, honorable mention

Best Poem—18 entries

Martina Ramos, Franklin County High School, first place
Stephanie Karlosky, Upperman High School, second place
Ashley Totty, Franklin County High School, third place
Nicola Klein, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Nicole Reynolds, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Matthew Dodson, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Callie Dixon, Franklin County High School, honorable mention
Jessica Jordan, Maryville High School, honorable mention
Hannah Carter, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Chelsea Foster, Hillwood High School, honorable mention
Allison Hinson, Upperman High School, honorable mention

Best Short Story—13 entries

Stacey Laughlin, Maryville High School, first place
Erica Rhoton, Upperman High School, second place
Daniel Knecht, Brentwood High School, third place
Brian Bowman, Upperman High School, honorable mention
James Bush, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Kellie Miller, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Kelsey Taylor, Upperman High School, honorable mention

Best Illustration/Artwork—16 entries

Jennifer Braunstein, Maryville High School, first place
Paige Frizzel, Upperman High School, second place
Helen Zhang, Brentwood High School, third place
Michelle Feller, Franklin County High School, honorable mention
Curtis Herron, Upperman High School, honorable mention
Anna Tiner, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Amelia Walker, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Troy Brown, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Lauren B. Smith, Hillwood High School, honorable mention

Best Overall Magazine—6 entries

Hallmarks, Harpeth Hall School, first place
The Walking Shadow, Brentwood High School, second place
Odin Magazine, Upperman High School, third place
Echoes, Maryville High School, honorable mention
Perspective, Hillwood High School, honorable mention
The Liralen, Franklin County High School, honorable mention

Best Television Reporter—7 entries*

Courtney Lyle, Brentwood High School, first place
Angel Hughes, Kenwood High School, second place
Camaren Daniel, Brentwood High School, third place
Jordan Breetz, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Allison Cowan, Springfield High School, honorable mention

Best Videographer—8 entries

Wes Henry, Brentwood High School, first place
Erik Peterson, Brentwood High School, second place
Jessica Wardwell, Brentwood High School, third place
Brent Trusdale, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Alan Graves, Springfield High School, honorable mention

Best Commercial—8 entries

Justin Landis & Lauren Campbell, Brentwood High School, first place
Wiley Jenkins & Stephen Van Luven, Kenwood High School, second place
Donald Hall & Lacy Chaney, Kenwood High School, third place
Noah Gibb, Franklin County High School, honorable mention
Sara Jaradji, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Alan Graves, Springfield High School, honorable mention

Best Short Feature—8 entries

Roman Dent, Brentwood High School, first place
Courtney Lyle and Erick Peterson, Brentwood High School, second place
Lauren Campbell & Jordan Breetz, Brentwood High School, third place
Jessica Wardwell, Brentwood High School, honorable mention
Jimmy Stearns and Chris Lamb, Blackman High School, honorable mention
Corey Gentry, Springfield High School, honorable mention
Carraig Stone-Hall, Cory Presley, Hunter Keller, Hather Mathis, Steven Crawford,
Palmer Maphet, Mt. Juliet High School, honorable mention

Best Electronic News Gathering—6 entries

Jessica Wardwell, Lauren Campbell, Courtney Lyle, Brentwood High School, first place
Donald Hall, Kenwood High School, second place
Lauren Young, Kenwood High School, third place
Melina Gonzalez, Kenwood High School, honorable mention
Teresa Rodriguez, Kenwood High School, honorable mention
Kelly Lorensen, Kenwood High School, honorable mention

Best Public Service Announcement—16 entries

Sarah Wagner, Meghan O’Conner and Ashley Quarles, Red Bank High School, first place

Keith Neeley, Brentwood High School, second place

Michael Jones and Ed Lulme, Blackman High School, third place

Sarah Wagner, Meghan O’Connor and Ashley Quarles, Red Bank High School, honorable mention

Shawn Lyness, Heather Hawfield and Brittany Thrasher, Red Bank High School, honorable mention

Best News Magazine—5 entries

Lauren Campbell and Courtney Lyle, Brentwood High School, first place

Chelsey Carson, Franklin County High School, second place

Emily Windham and Courtney Gaines, Blackman High School, third place

Jondra Darden, Springfield High School, honorable mention

Chelsey Carson, Franklin County High School, honorable mention

Best Sports Show—6 entries

Justin Landis, Jessica Wardwell, Erik Peterson, Courtney Lyle, Wes Henry and Lauren Campbell, Brentwood High School, first place

Jared Sharp, Springfield High School, second place

Will Rabb, Franklin County High School, third place

Hannah Carter and Trent Palk, Upperman High School, honorable mention

Alan Graves, Springfield High School, honorable mention

Best Sports Coverage of a Live Event—4 entries

Justin Landis, Wes Henry, Eric Peterson, Courtney Lyle, Cameron Daniel, Lauren Campbell, Matt Reese, Brent Trusdale, Jessica Wardwell, Sara Faradji, Jordan Breetz and Keith Neely, Brentwood High School, first place

Justin Landis, Wes Henry, Eric Peterson, Keith Neely, David Carter, Austin Stanley, Courtney Lyle, Cameron Daniel, Brentwood High School, second place

Courtney Gaines, Chris Lamb, Derrick Bennett, Blackman High School, third place

Will Rabb, Franklin High School, honorable mention

Justin Landis, Lauren Campbell, Wes Henry, Matt Reese, Jessica Wardwell, and Bill Glaus, Brentwood High School, honorable mention

Best TV Station—4 entries

WBHS-9, Brentwood High School, first place

KNN—Kenwood High School, second place

WSHS-TV, Springfield High School, third place

Best Website—2 entries

Mason Thurman and Austin Stanley, Brentwood High School, first place
Logan Best and Adam Schwartau, Mt. Juliet High School, second place

Best Online Publication—three entry

Logan Best, Adam Schsartau, Kera Trevathen, Meagan Richardson, Ben Deane, Brent Fite, William Morgan, Jonathan Marietta, Kori Presley, Ashley Coulter, Jessica Woodson, and Jasmine Bibbs, Mt. Juliet High School, first place

Yearbooks

Lion's Roar, Christ Presbyterian Academy, All Tennessee
Spirit of 2006, Jefferson County High School—All Tennessee
The Shamrock, Knoxville Catholic High School, Superior
Résumé, Tullahoma High School, Superior
The Blueprint, Franklin Road Academy, Superior
Highlights, Heritage High School, Superior
The Volunteer, University School of Nashville, Superior
Princesps, Webb School of Knoxville—Superior
Roar, Red Bank High School—Excellent
The Ranger, Clarkrange High School --Excellent
Smoke Signals, Montgomery Central High School Excellent
Aerie, Brentwood Academy, Excellent
Rebel Yearbook, Franklin County High School, Excellent

Literary Magazines

Liralen, Franklin County High School, All Tennessee
Hallmarks, Harpeth Hall High School—All Tennessee

Newspaper

The Edge, Coffee County Central High School, All Tennessee
The Blackman Voice, Blackman High School—All Tennessee
Blue & White, Red Bank High School—All-Tennessee
Logos, Harpeth Hall High School—All Tennessee
The Voice, Brentwood High School—All Tennessee
Trojan Torch, Dyersburg High School—All Tennessee
The Pony Express, Houston High School, Superior
Cattales, Monterey High School--Superior
The Panther Prowl, Powell High School--Superior
Lebanon High School, The Devil's Advocate, Excellent
The Bell Ringer, Montgomery Bell Academy, Excellent
Dragon Spirit, Collierville High School--Excellent
The Wolf tale, Cordova High School--Excellent
Tiger Talk, Meigs County High School--Excellent
The Owl's Hoot, Memphis University School--Excellent
The Calumet, Montgomery Central High School--Excellent
West Side Story, Morristown West High School—Excellent
The Alphorn, Hillwood High, Merit

Broadcast

WBHS9-TV, Brentwood High School—All Tennessee
Rebel Radio and FCHS RebelVision, Franklin County High School--Superior
Broadcasting, Red Bank High School--Excellent

Bonnie Hufford Outstanding Student Media Adviser

Joy McCaleb, Upperman High School

This adviser's editor says his adviser goes above and beyond the call of duty. She certainly did that as a member of the local committee in charge of the national JEA convention last fall. She and her students collected a tremendous number of donations for the advisers' bags, and she also sold vendors space to help benefit the local group. She even sat at the registratin desk to help hand out T-shirts, and she served as a judge for broadcast entries. She has been a member of the advisory committee of the Middle Tennessee High School Press Association. As a member, she has suggested speakers for this conference, and today she was one of the speakers. Her editor says "her enthusiasm glows in a sea of tired, dull teachers. She comes to school with a grin on her face and leaves with a hearty smile. He says no one works harder. No one cares more. No one deserves to be honored as much as she does. I couldn't agree more. Congratulations Joy McCaleb from Upperman High School.

Outstanding Student Journalist

Renee Riggs, Springfield High School, first place

Special Recognition Student Journalist

Joshua King, Upperman High School, honorable mention

Emily Booker, Greenville High School, honorable mention

Anna Eisen, Cookeville High School, honorable mention

Larry Thomason, Montgomery Central High School, honorable mention

Chelsey Carson, Franklin County High School, honorable mention

Journalist—6 entries

Outstanding Student Journalist

Renee Riggs, Springfield High School, first place

Renee Riggs says her entire life has revolved around writing, pictures and design. To enhance her skills she has attended photography workshops and creative writing academies. She has served as a photographer and a reporter for her school newspaper, the Yellow Jacket. She is currently the editor in chief. She has also written for the Robertson County Times. She says journalism to her is more than just putting words on paper. To her it is a means of using tragedies, victories, triumphs to connect to people the journalists don't even know. As a junior, she won six awards from the Middle Tennessee Scholastic Press Association, and this year she has guided The Yellow Jacket to be named the Best in State. Her principal says she is one of the best writers his school has had the opportunity to educate. Her adviser says she is an exceptional individual with unlimited potential. Her portfolio certainly caught the eye of the judges. Congratulations, Renee.

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