

## December Student of the Month—Eli Bogard

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Eli Bogard was chosen as December Student of the Month by the Stewart County High School (SCHS) faculty. This award was given in acknowledgement of his academic achievement, student involvement, and for serving as an exceptional role model for underclassmen. Bogard's plan following high school is to attend Austin Peay State University or Middle Tennessee State University to complete his pre-chiropractic studies. His long-range plan is to earn a Doctor of Chiropractic degree.

A member of the Class of 2022 Top Ten Percent, Bogard is a student athlete dedicated to achieving academic success. Allen Ralls, affirms these qualities saying, "Eli Bogard is a leader. He's quiet and doesn't lead by intimidation but by the example of never asking something of others that he wouldn't first do himself. Eli has proven this not only in academics but also in athletics. He has led in academics by taking the harder courses like dual enrollment, Honors Chemistry, and Advanced Physics to ensure success in college. He has also been a leader in athletics where he has been a two sport, four-year athlete. I've enjoyed watching him mature and grow over the last four years and I am confident he will have a successful college experience."

Bogard is a four-year member of the Rebel Basketball team playing on the varsity squad beginning his freshman year. Playing the position of point guard, he confidently led the team on the court. He is also a four-year member of the Rebel Baseball team where his domain is second base, a position he has held since his freshman year. He is a member of Beta and a member of the Building Every Asset Right from the Start (BEARS) Team. This has afforded him the opportunity to assist in teaching and modeling positive character traits to elementary students. He has also volunteered his time and services at the annual Back to School Bash where students and families receive assistance with acquiring school supplies.

Spanish teacher, Sarah Keator, speaks highly of Bogard stating, "They say success is no accident. That is what I envision when I think of Eli Bogard. We are celebrating his success, but this success is measured by all the small choices that he has made day in and day out. This is a young man with a strong character and a strong heart. I wish him nothing but happiness in this life, and the knowledge that he can do whatever he puts his mind to!"

When asked to contemplate his high school years Bogard replied, "My time at SCHS has been filled with ups and downs in my personal and school life. But the main way SCHS has prepared me is by showing me that you do your best with whatever circumstances are given."

Eli is the son of Jamie and Jennifer Bogard.