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Kennedy named as outstanding Language and Education Graduate

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Kelbie Kennedy from Buffalo Valley was presented the Outstanding Language and Education Division Graduate Award by Division Chairperson Billye Kay Givens during commencement exercises Friday (May 7) on the Wilburton campus of Eastern Oklahoma State College. One graduate from each of the six divisions of the college is selected each year for the honor.

During commencement, five other students were also named as Outstanding Divisional Graduates including: Daryl Schmitt, McAlester, Division of Nursing; Caitlin Clifton, McAlester Division of Science and Mathematics; Kathleen Wilson, Red Oak, Division of Social Science and Music; Kevin Danel, McAlester, Division of Business and Tansy Grimmett, Rattan, Division of Agriculture.

While at Eastern, Kennedy maintained a 4.0 grade point average, served as President of the Student Government Association, Vice President of Leadership in Phi Theta Kappa, President of Fellowship of Christian Athletes and on the Leadership Team of Baptist Collegiate Ministry. She is a member of the Photography Club, Aggie Club and NASA-Native American Student Association. She is also the Project Leader, Community Service Projects and Social Coordinator for Honors.

She was also active in sports and active with the Theatre Department, Speech and the student newspaper. She has received various awards including American FFA Degree, Outstanding Student in Language and Communication 2008-09, ESGA President, President's Honor Roll –Fall 2008 & Spring 2009, Presidential Scholar, FCA President Award, BCM Leadership Team Award, and PTK Vice President.



She was recently named to the All-Oklahoma Academic Team and attended the 11th Annual George and Donna Nigh Leadership Scholarship Academy. She recently received two nationally competitive scholarships as she transfers to Oklahoma University in the fall from the Wilburton college. Kennedy has been named as a 2010 COCA-COLA

SILVER SCHOLAR by the national honor society Phi Theta Kappa and as a 2010 Udall Scholar by the Morris K. Udall and Stewart L. Udall Foundation.