

# Congratulations to the Class of 2025 Graduates!

## Abeka Homeschool Academy

Jayden Elizabeth Abston, child of Jason and Sarah Abston, has been involved in learning to play the guitar, cooking, and baking. She plans to attend nursing school.



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sum cash payment of \$3.4 million and received a check for \$2,448,000 after taxes.

As she stared down at the multi-million winner's check with tears rolling down her cheeks she said, "We don't see money like this. I'm still in shock and it just doesn't

seem real."

The couple told officials they are excited to purchase a new home. "This birthday is going to be hard to beat," she said.

Grand Mart, in Tompkinsville, will receive \$34,000 for selling the winning ticket.

The \$5,000,000 Fortune ticket went on sale to players in October making this the largest Scratch-off prize offered to Kentucky Lottery players. There is still one \$5 million top prize and eleven \$50,000 prizes remaining on the game.

## SNHU Spring President's List

It is with great pleasure that Southern New Hampshire University (SNHU) congratulates the following students on being named to the Spring 2025 President's List. The spring terms run from January to May.

Full-time undergraduate students who have earned a minimum grade-point average of 3.700 and above for the reporting term are named to the President's List. Full-time status is achieved by earning 12 credits

over each 16-week term or paired 8-week terms grouped in fall, winter/spring, and summer. Sara Holcomb of Edmonton Tanya Rust of Edmonton Lauren Scott of Edmonton

## •APPLY

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it; Saturday was cold and raining. Boots and rain jackets protected us from the elements, but the misery of working in the cold rain and mud would be a lasting memory. The snakes felt compelled to sleep in that day and we certainly approved their decision.

The couple we worked for were very receptive to the Gospel and committed to attending the local church. A few months later, I called the pastor and they had joined the church and were active in several church activities.

Another experience that lingers in my mind was a day when the pastor's wife and I went to look at a job and invite a family to church. She was talking to the husband /father of the family while I and their son, Lee, talked.

We were standing by a mountainside on the edge of a gravel road. An old rusted-out car body was suspended on the mountainside about fifty feet up. An oak tree about the size of my leg was growing through the windshield indicating it had been there a while.

As Lee and I talked, I noticed down a hill on their property were several chicken houses. Mostly made from barrels, the chickens were individually kept.

I asked Lee, "Are those fighting chickens?" He replied, "Yes sir, they are." Then the question that had to be asked, "Don't you know chicken fighting is against the law?" His

answer was without hesitation and with a certain determination in his voice "Yes sir, I know."

Lee was a young man I liked on first impulse. He was forthwith and had no intention of trying to blindside me with what would have been an obvious lie. Not being sure if it was a compliment or an insinuation, he invited me to go to a chicken fight with him Saturday night. With my insatiable craving for new experiences, I would have gone, but we were leaving Saturday morning.

I've thought about Lee and that family many times. Wondering if they ever were caught in their misgivings for the law, I found myself hoping for the best. I won't go any further with that at this point.

We fully realize animal fighting is a worldwide "sport" but in most places, including the U.S., it is a crime. It is a source of animal cruelty, illegal gambling, and the obvious defiance of the laws of the land. I in no way intend to glamorize, rationalize, or condone the activity.

Prize fighting for humans is big business, but physical damage is done, and at times permanent injuries have happened. This is such a case in which there is a very thin line between legal and illegal.

In Lee's statement "Yes sir, I know," told me he either didn't care or

thought the law did not apply to him and his friends.

Before our first work trip to that area, we were told we might experience a few cultural differences. Not being sure what that meant, we found them to be polite, loving, caring, and courteous people. I loved them and loved being there with them.

I can't help but wonder how many Christians, active in churches and in attendance every Sunday morning have the same (or similar) attitude about their Christian life as Lee did about the "chicken fighting."

We encounter people almost every day who have the attitude that "the rules don't apply to me." It may be on a highway, in a public place, or in a church. But the fact is, the rules apply to everyone.

"Those rules and laws of God apply to everyone else, but not to me!" Many of us have rationalized that our sin is okay, because of one reason or another (Proverbs 12: 15). God doesn't accept excuses and what we may see as a legitimate reason, God does not.

1 John 1: 9 "If we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness." Not to imply this verse is more important than others, but it makes a powerful statement.

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### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### METCALFE COUNTY FISCAL COURT Fiscal Year 2025-2026

The second reading and adoption of the Metcalfe County Fiscal Court proposed budget ordinance for the fiscal year, is scheduled to be held at the date, time and location listed below.

Date: 06/12/2025  
Time: 09:00 am  
Location: Edmonton, Metcalfe County, KY

#### BUDGET SUMMARY

AN ORDINANCE Relating to the Annual Budget and Appropriations.

BE IT ORDAINED by the Metcalfe County Fiscal Court, Kentucky:

WHEREAS, the proposed budget was tentatively approved by the Metcalfe County Fiscal Court, and approved as to form and classification by the State Local Finance Officer, on the dates listed below:

Approval by the Fiscal Court: 04/30/2024  
Approved by State Local Finance Officer: 05/09/2024

SECTION ONE. The following budget is adopted for the fiscal year specified herein, and the amounts stated are appropriated for the purposes indicated.

General Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$1,142,216.65
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$173,000.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	\$198,079.84
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES	\$12,100.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE	\$450.00
7600	OTHER COUNTY LIABILITIES	
7700	LEASES	\$372,000.00
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	\$169,800.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$461,298.83
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS - EMPLOYERS SHARE	\$591,500.00
Total		\$3,120,445.32

Road Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$300.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	\$24,000.00
6100	ROADS	\$1,645,510.40
7700	LEASES	
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$792,056.60
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS - EMPLOYERS SHARE	\$317,000.00
Total		\$2,778,867.00

Jail Fund		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$380,205.52
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$46,095.72
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS - EMPLOYERS SHARE	\$24,875.00
Total		\$451,176.24

Local Government Economic Assistance Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$28,030.68
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES	\$3,000.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$11,497.76
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS - EMPLOYERS SHARE	\$19,300.00
Total		\$61,828.44

State Grants Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	\$60,000.00
5400	RECREATION AND CULTURE	
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$125,500.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
Total		\$185,500.00

Federal Grants Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$1,102,000.00
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	\$325,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$521,000.00
Total		\$1,948,000.00

DES Fund		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$53,350.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$72,750.00
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS - EMPLOYEES SHARE	\$9,500.00
Total		\$135,600.00

Ambulance Fund		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	\$10,000.00
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$475,000.00
7700	LEASES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,269,000.00
Total		\$1,754,000.00

Emergency Services Fund		
5000	SOCIAL SERVICES	
5100	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$50,050.00
Total		\$50,050.00

Courthouse Constuction Fund		
8000	CAPITAL PROJECTS	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	

Opioid Settlement Fund		
5300	SOCIAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	

Spay and Neuter Fund		
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	\$2,500.00
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,020.00
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
Total		\$3,520.00

Homeland Security Fund		
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	\$20,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	\$1,300.00
Total		\$21,300.00

ARPA FUNDS		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	
5100	PROTECTION TO PERSONS AND PROPERTY	
5200	GENERAL HEALTH AND SANITATION	
9100	GENERAL SERVICES	
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	
9300	TRANSFERS TO OTHER FUNDS	
9400	FRINGE BENEFITS - EMPLOYERS SHARE	

SPECIAL FUND - CO. CLERK'S STORAGE FEES		
5000	GENERAL GOVERNMENT	15,000.00
9200	CONTINGENT APPROPRIATIONS	8,050.00
Total		\$23,050.00
Total Budget Appropriations		10,533,337.00

SECTION TWO. This ordinance shall be published in the Edmonton Herald News by title and summary within thirty (30) days following adoption.

SECTION THREE. This ordinance becomes effective upon passage and publication.

#### NOTICE OF AVAILABILITY

All interested persons and organizations are hereby notified that a copy of the Metcalfe County proposed budget in full is available for public inspection at the office of the County Judge/ Executive during normal business hours.

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