

# 8th-grade grappler Christian pins down passion for Russellville wrestling

BY WES ELROD  
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While months away from the opening of the wrestling season, the Russellville Panthers wrestling team features many unique and competitive athletes after getting their start this past year. A new sport and program for many, getting the chance to talk with the athletes and learn how they had joined and how they found a passion for the sport is a story to tell as they navigate their newfound wrestling careers. Kaleb Christian is one of the current wrestlers, as he is going into his eighth grade year and is primed for a strong season.

Talking with Christian, he talked about what his biggest inspiration is in wanting to start. “What inspired me was my dad; he wrestled when he was younger, but he was stronger and a bit bigger than I am. My first day, though, I started growing a passion for the sport, seeing how much stronger and faster I could get while competing.” Terry Christian, Kaleb’s dad, is a current assistant coach for the Russellville wrestling program.

When talking about goals in his first year, Christian said, “Last year my main goal was to get my first win in



Photos by Wes Elrod/News-Democrat & Leader  
**Kaleb Christian trying to get the takedown during the second home meet for Russellville this past season.**

a match and to earn my first medal.” Christian’s first victory by pin came during a home meet against a wrestler from Fort Campbell, as he took home his first win in the 106 weight class. “That was one of my favorite moments, picking up that win and being the first win of the match for our team. It was only my second match going past the first period.”

As for goals this upcoming season, “Going to state would be huge, no matter a win or loss. Being able to win a couple of matches in regionals is another goal I’d strive for. Being able to shoot for the takedown would be another goal to improve on. I didn’t try to shoot at all last year,” Christian said. Christian being a part of the inaugural season for the Panthers wrestling



Wes Elrod/News-Democrat & Leader  
**Kaleb Christian trying to secure the arm in the second home meet.**

team, it was a big honor. “It means a lot to be a part of the first team. It inspires others to join and gives you a reputation to uphold, not only in the school’s history but in the state too.”

In taking up a new sport, there can be many difficulties. Christian expressed his thoughts on what the hardest parts are, pointing out the mental aspects. “There are lots of ups and downs, and it’s very emotional at times. You have to be able to keep your emotions in check. You can lose a lot of matches, but wins are one of the best feelings too. Every loss is a learning experience. You

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## Lady Cougars runner-up in Summer Smash



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**Logan County Lady Cougar Volleyball won runner-up in the gold bracket at the Ohio County Summer Smash on June 7. The players include Kirsten Harris, Emily McIntosh, Ashley McIntosh, Faith Higgins, Abigail Head, Kaylee Rye, Bella Cron, Maggie Mitchell, Addison Pitts, and Caroline Ham. The team was led by Coach Stephen Lyne and Coach Hannah Cron.**

## Logan County hoops hosts successful youth camp

BY WESELROD  
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Last week the Logan County Cougars basketball program hosted their annual three-day youth camp that teaches skills and the game of basketball. Open to kids in first grade to eighth grade, Head Coach Josh Frick, his coaching staff, and current players of the Cougars basketball team led the campers through games of knock-out, a 3-on-3 half-court basketball tournament, and skills stations. The

camp gave the opportunity for the Cougars to give back to their younger community and teach the next generation of possible Cougars basketball players. The first session, consisting of the younger group, focused on stations with passing, like the chest pass and the bounce pass. Dribbling of the ball, blocking out and rebounding, and games of knockout and being able to shoot the

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# LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE IN SUMMARY  
CITY OF AUBURN, KENTUCKY  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-03

**AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE CITY OF AUBURN, KENTUCKY, ANNUAL BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR JULY 1, 2025, THROUGH JUNE 30, 2026, BY ESTIMATING REVENUES AND RESOURCES AND APPROPRIATING FUNDS FOR THE OPERATING OF CITY GOVERNMENT**

In accordance with KRS 83A.060(9), the undersigned, a licensed, practicing attorney in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, summarizes this Ordinance as follows:

1) This Ordinance sets forth the annual budget for the City of Auburn by reflecting the estimated Revenue and Appropriations of the City for fiscal year July 1, 2025 through June 30, 2026.

2) The full text of this Ordinance and its attachments is available for copying and inspection at the office of Maggie Hines, Auburn City Clerk, 103 East Main Street, Auburn, Kentucky during normal business hours.

3) The City Council of Auburn, Kentucky enacted this Ordinance after a first reading conducted on May 12, 2025, and a second reading and passage on June 9, 2025.

**CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL:**The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that the foregoing is an accurate summary of City of Auburn Ordinance No. 2025-03.

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# LEGAL NOTICE

PUBLIC NOTICE

Second Reading and Adoption of Ordinance No. 25-520-01 an Ordinance relating to street-legal special purpose vehicles will be held on July 8, 2025 at 9:00 A.M. in the Fiscal Court Room of the Logan County Courthouse. A copy of the ordinance may be viewed at the County Judge's Office located at 200 W. 4th St. Russellville, KY 42276 during regular business hours, Monday through Friday, 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Phil Baker  
Logan County  
Judge/Executive

# LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT  
Case #22-P-00311

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of the KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES, notice is hereby given that on the 11TH day of JUNE, 2025 a(n) FINAL SETTLEMENT has been filed in the Office of the CLERK OF THE LOGAN DISTRICT COURT in the matter of: ESTATE OF SARAH BROKOFKY IF NO EXCEPTIONS are filed, said SETTLEMENT will be confirmed and ordered Recorded on the 18TH day of JULY 2025 @ 8:35 AM

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# LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT  
Case #23-P-00077

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of the KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES, notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of MAY, 2025 a(n) FINAL SETTLEMENT has been filed in the Office of the CLERK OF THE LOGAN DISTRICT COURT in the matter of: ESTATE OF JAMES W. BIGGS, SR. IF NO EXCEPTIONS are filed, said SETTLEMENT will be confirmed and ordered Recorded on the 18TH day of JULY 2025 @ 8:35 AM

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# LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE OF SETTLEMENT  
Case #24-P-00073

IN ACCORDANCE with the provisions of the KENTUCKY REVISED STATUTES, notice is hereby given that on the 30th day of MAY, 2025 a(n) FINAL SETTLEMENT has been filed in the Office of the CLERK OF THE LOGAN DISTRICT COURT in the matter of: ESTATE OF JAMES L. JOINES IF NO EXCEPTIONS are filed, said SETTLEMENT will be confirmed and ordered Recorded on the 18TH day of JULY 2025 @ 8:35 AM

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# LEGAL NOTICE

Public Notice about  
Destruction of  
Special Ed Records  
May 29, 2025

**Notice:** The Logan County Public Schools, Department of Special Education, adherent to the Kentucky Public School Districts Local Agency Records Retention Schedule and 20 USC Section 1232g et seq. & KRS 160.700 et seq. through retention and disposition will destroy special education records for any individual with a date of birth prior to July 1, 2001, on August 30, 2025. The district is required to maintain records for three (3) years from the date the child leaves the school district. If a special education record of an individual with a date of birth prior to July 1, 2001, is needed, please request the record by emailing amy.harrison@logan.kyschools.us or calling her at 270-726-2436.

# LEGAL NOTICE

NOTICE TO CREDITORS  
Case #25-P-00138

Notice to Creditors is hereby given that Administration has been granted by the Logan District Probate Court upon the Estate of THOMAS RONALD SMITH whose last known address was 301 HIGHLAND LICK ROAD RUSSELLVILLE, KY 42276. The date of Administration is JUNE 12TH 2025. All persons having claims against this estate are hereby notified to present them properly verified, according to law, not later than six (6) months from the date of Administration to the EXECUTRIX namely WENDY KAYE PENROD whose address is 141 CALLAWAY COURT O'FALLON, IL 62269 or to JONATHAN GARNETT Attorney for the Estate whose address is 203 EAST 9TH STREET HOPKINSVILLE, KY 42240

MARY J. ORANGE  
LOGAN DISTRICT CLERK  
RUSSELLVILLE, KY 42276

# LEGAL NOTICE

LEGAL PUBLICATION OF ORDINANCE IN SUMMARY  
CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE, KENTUCKY  
ORDINANCE NO. 2025-03  
AN ORDINANCE  
AMENDING THE CITY OF RUSSELLVILLE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 112 REGARDING THE REGULATION OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES

In accordance with KRS 83A.060(9), the undersigned, a licensed, practicing attorney in the Commonwealth of Kentucky, summarizes this Ordinance as follows:

1) This Ordinance amends City of Russellville Code of Ordinances Chapter 112 regarding the types of alcoholic beverage licenses issued by the City of the Russellville and the fees for such licenses by adding a limited golf course license type of special licenses.

2) A limited golf course license may be issued to an establishment that is a nine (9) or an eighteen (18) hole golf course that meets United States Golf Association criteria as a regulation golf course. A limited golf course license shall authorize the licensee to purchase, receive, possess, and sell distilled spirits, wine, and malt beverages at retail by the drink for consumption on the licensed premises. The licensee shall purchase distilled spirits, wine, and malt beverages only from licensed wholesalers or distributors. The license shall not authorize the licensee to sell distilled spirits, wine, and malt beverages by the package.

3) The annual fee charged by the City for a limited golf course license type is \$1200.

4) The full text of this Ordinance and its attachments is available for copying and inspection at the office Jennifer Maudlin, Russellville City Clerk, 168 South Main Street, Russellville, during normal business hours.

5) The City Council of Russellville, Kentucky enacted this Ordinance after a first reading conducted on June 3, 2025, and a second reading and passage on June 17, 2025.

**CERTIFICATION OF COUNSEL:** The undersigned attorney hereby certifies that the foregoing is an accurate summary of City of Russellville Ordinance No. 2025-03.

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