IHSAA selects five Interscholastic Stars

BOISE, Idaho (May 6th 2019) — The Idaho High School Activities Association have named five high school juniors as the 2018-19 recipients of its annual Interscholastic Star Student Recognition Awards.

This scholarship program is sponsored by the Idaho High School Activities Association and was established in 1992 to recognize and reward outstanding students who participate in high school athletic and non-athletic activities.

Kendra Murray (Genesee High School), Andy Gebhardt (Salmon High School), Layten Tolman (Weiser High School), Halle Torgerson (Hillcrest High School), and Jackson Headley (Post Falls High School) were selected from a large field of outstanding students nominated by school principals.

Jackson Headley was selected as the “Idaho Star” for 2018-19 and will grace the back covers of the 2019-20 state tournament programs.

Nominees for the scholarships are exemplary students who:

• Through their participation, strengthen interscholastic sports and activities programs.
• Are active contributors to school and community organizations and programs.
• Are good citizens and positive role models for their peers.
• Promote the ideals of good sportsmanship and citizenship.

Each application includes an essay, recommendations from school administrators, and descriptions of athletic and activity participation and service to school and community.

Interscholastic Stars receive a $1,000 scholarship to the college of their choice. A $500 check is also given to each Interscholastic Star’s school. Runner’s up at each level receive a $500 scholarship.

All five 2019 Interscholastic Stars are leaders in their schools and communities:

• **1A Star – Kendra Murray** – As a captain of two-sport athlete at Genesee High School, Kendra is also active in Student Government, FFA and Choir.
• **2A Star – Andy Gebhardt** – Andy is involved in music and multiple school clubs while participating in three sports at Salmon High School.
• **3A Star – Layten Tolman** – As a lead actor in lead roles, Layten also participates in speech while being a 3-sport participant.
• **4A Star – Halle Torgerson** – A three-year letterman and captain of the Hillcrest High School Soccer team, Halle runs track and has also been involved in speech & debate.
• **5A Star – Jackson Headley** – A state performer on the Post Falls High School Speech team, Jackson has competed as a 3-sport athlete each year of his high school career.

About the IHSAA
Founded in 1926, the Idaho High School Activities Association coordinates, supervises, and directs interscholastic activities that enhance and protect the total educational process of all student participants. Its activities and programs are formulated to promote citizenship and the academic missions of schools. Visit [www.idhsaa.org](http://www.idhsaa.org) for more information.