The Above and Beyond 'Thunder Clap' Recognition for the Week of October 5th:

Taylor Nelson



Hometown Pride:

"The OF community is full of people that are always willing to give up their time to help out a neighbor. I see this every day from students at school to adults at the grocery store. I'm proud to say I'm a part of this amazing community, full of caring and ambitious people."

Bleacher Report (activities):

Sports: Track

Clubs: Above and Beyond, Student Council, FFA and NHS

Outside of School: Ruby's Pantry

Thunder Role:

"It's important to be a good role model because you never know who is watching. It could be young kids watching you play basketball or older kids trying to change a habit. You as a person can be making a difference in someone's life right now. This is why being a good role model and setting a good example is important."

Topic Thunder:

"They [drugs and alcohol] do more harm than good. I know in high school there is a lot of peer pressure with drugs and alcohol. Stay true to yourself and stick to your values. I believe more respect is earned sticking to your values than trying drugs because your friends said it's the only way to be cool."

Scouting Report (quotes from teachers):

"Taylor Nelson is one of my all-time favorite people. She is always smiling. Always willing to help with anything." – Mr. Velie

"Taylor is a go-getter and nobody should get in her way as she rises to the top!" – Mrs. Beasley "It's been a long time since Taylor has been in the Art Room.... but my memory of her is that she is EXTREMELY talented and very hard-working. I always thought she was a remarkable young lady! :)" – Mrs. Covelli

"I always love watching Taylor prepare for track. If you are in the fitness center or gym you will see all the hard work she puts forth leading up to the competition and her focus before a race is amazing. Nice job Taylor!" – Mrs. Steinke

"Taylor Nelson is a never quit - ball of energy. As a teacher and an advisor, I absolutely appreciate everything she does. She is always wanting to do her very best, which in life, will be why she will be a success. She is so unselfish, and Taylor is willing to help any person that asks. She is such a positive individual." – Mr. Boettcher

"Taylor Nelson always has a smile on her face and a positive attitude. I love her energy and zest for life! Will miss you next year Taylor!" – Mrs Frieburg

"Taylor makes the school a better place to be because of her happy, fun loving and positive attitude!" – Mr. Stoik

Fan Deck (quotes from peers):

"Taylor always pushes for success."

"Taylor always has a positive attitude and she has determination towards whatever she puts her mind to."

"Taylor is so nice and caring to everyone in the school, she is also always smiling about something." **Hometown Hero:**

"Nicole Nelson is my hometown hero. She is someone I can go to for absolutely anything and everything. She is always there to answer my questions about school, life, gardening, you name it! Oh, another thing that makes her my hometown hero is that she makes some pretty killer salsa and homemade pickles."