

2025 Ann Futrell Rankin Scholar, Riley Shaughnessy



Pictured with Campus Director, Bryan Rich.

Riley is an outstanding student and a well-rounded individual whose character shines through in everything she does. One of her greatest strengths is her ability to connect with others and build meaningful relationships. She consistently demonstrates respect in her interactions with both peers and adults, and her fun, friendly, and charismatic personality is complemented by a strong sense of professionalism.

Riley has a natural talent for bringing people together and fostering a sense of community. She is an excellent communicator—both in speech and writing—and her outgoing nature brings positivity and enthusiasm to every environment she's part of. With a growth mindset, Riley is always striving to improve and welcomes challenges as opportunities to learn.

Her leadership is evident through her long-standing involvement in Student Government, where she currently serves as Class President. She also holds leadership roles as Vice President of the Beta Club and President of the Interact Club. Riley's extracurricular involvement is extensive and reflects her many strengths, including participation in the Kentucky Youth Assembly, Youth Leadership, Rotary Youth Leadership Awards camp, and Voice of the Wildcats. She is also the founder of Trigg Mic'd Up, showcasing her initiative and creativity.

Outside of school, Riley works at The Fishin' Hole and continues to give back to her community through volunteer efforts. She lives in Cadiz with her parents, Amanda and Nicholas, who support her in all her endeavors.



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High School: Trigg Co. High School
GSP Campus: GSP-Centre
Focus Area: Journalism & Mass Media