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It is an honor to nominate Bridget Wright for the CABE Student Leadership Award. Bridget is currently a junior at DHS and she is known for her always pleasant demeanor and her dedication to being an exceptional student-athlete. She has achieved High Honors and maintained perfect attendance through the first marking period, and is a valuable, 3-year veteran on the DHS Cheer Squad & Outdoor Track team. New cheer coach, Jessica Blackwell is beyond impressed with Bridget early in the season. She adds that "Brie's passion and drive to continue bettering herself within the sport is matched by her natural leadership to inspire her teammates." She leads by example and is always willing to support others for the overall improvement of the team.

Bridget's most admirable trait is her huge humanitarian heart. She is extremely committed to volunteering regularly at her local animal shelter and was the humble organizer of the Cheer Squad's animal shelter donation drive. Multiple DHS staff sing her praises for her constant willingness to sacrifice her own time for the sake of assisting others. Most recently, Bridget shared her story about her heart condition with the entire school. She is extremely passionate and vocal about her condition, and feels that it is imperative to spread awareness for heart disease. This young woman is determined to make a difference in this world and I have no doubt that she will accomplish just that.

Bridget's leadership skills span over many areas. Whether it be in the classroom, within her community, or among her teammates, Bridget exemplifies natural born leadership skills. Bridget has solidified herself as a model student and clearly exemplifies the R.A.I.D.E.R. character we hope will be the standard for all graduates of Derby High School.

Resilience Ambition Integrity Discipline Empathy Respect

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