

## Students Selected to Represent KDS at the 127<sup>th</sup> Continental Congress

After an intensive selection process, Bailee Chandler and Brayden Lewis were chosen to represent KDS during the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution's 127<sup>th</sup> Annual Continental Congress in Washington, D.C., this June. All KDS Juniors were invited to apply for this honor. Applicants' names were passed on to a nominating committee, resulting in nine finalists who were interviewed.

Once the interviews concluded, and after much debate, a selection committee made up of members of the KDS Executive Committee, Administrative Staff, and High School faculty chose Bailee and Brayden as the 2018 KDS representatives.

KDS junior **Brayden Lewis** is the 17-year-old son of Mandy and Benji Lewis. He has been a student at KDS since Kindergarten. An excellent student, Brayden holds a GPA of 4.22 and is ranked 4th in the junior class. His favorite school subject is anatomy because he has always been interested in learning about the human body. Brayden's future plans are to attend the University of Alabama-Birmingham where he will major in biology and minor in business management, then apply to dental school at UAB. He hopes to return to Marshall County to open his own dental practice one day.

Brayden is very involved in activities both at school and in the community. He is a member of the varsity football, basketball, fishing and track teams. He is also a member of Marshall County Youth Leadership. Brayden spends time volunteering as an assistant coach of youth sports teams. Other than sports, Brayden also enjoys spending time with his friends and playing video games.

When asked to share what life at KDS has meant to him, Brayden said, "KDS DAR School holds a sense of pride like no other. This school teaches its students what it means to be a patriot and gives a sense of patriotic pride and love for our country that no other school has."



*Brayden and Bailee are excited to visit Washington, D.C., this summer and to attend Continental Congress as representatives of their school.*

*These students were nominated by their teachers as candidates for KDS Continental Congress Representative.*

*From left: Austin Sanderson, Hunter Darling, Kristin Chandler, Brayden Lewis, Cameron Cooper, Justin Manion, Haley Hughes, Bailee Chandler, and Maggie Mance.*



KDS junior **Bailee Chandler** is the 16-year-old daughter of Scott Chandler. Bailee has been a student at KDS since Kindergarten. An excellent student, Bailee is currently ranked 5th academically in her class of 105 with a cumulative GPA of 4.21. Bailee's favorite school subject is history. She says she loves to learn about past events that shaped how our society is today. After high school, Bailee hopes to attend a community college where she hopes to play on the school's volleyball team. She then wants to attend UAB Medical School in hopes of a career as a pediatrician.

Very active in extra-curricular activities, Bailee is a member of Marshall County Youth Leadership. She is also a member of the KDS varsity volleyball, basketball, and cheerleading teams. She has a part time job at New Hope Pharmacy

When asked to share a few of her favorite memories made at KDS, Bailee spoke of being a member of the first KDS volleyball team to win the Area Tournament as a freshman. The team then went on to compete at the Regional Tournament. She says, "Since then, we have won Area and attended Regionals all the years of my high school career. In my sophomore year, we won the Marshall County Tournament, and I was named Most Valuable Player!"