



*Congratulations!*

*2011 Ferguson Scholar*

**ELIZABETH A. ROLL**

**Merrol Hyde Magnet School**

Hendersonville, Tennessee, Class of 2011

Bound for Lipscomb University, Nashville

Elementary Education Major

Elizabeth has maintained a perfect 4.0 unweighted, cumulative GPA throughout high school while taking challenging magnet school honors and advanced placement courses. She had a near-perfect 34 on her English ACT exam and a Comprehensive score of 29.

Her community service work includes volunteering for the National Cancer Society, serving as an assistant coach for a middle school cheerleading team, assistance for the elderly, a volunteer at a Senior Citizen Center, and for an ABC fundraiser. She also volunteers with a community service organization called Social Graces.

Elizabeth has a well-rounded resume at school. As a member of Future Business Leaders of America, she serves as the Region 5 President, representing several counties, as well as Chapter President, and placed third in her event at the state competition. She is Editor in Chief of the school newspaper and a member of the National Honor Society. A Varsity cheerleader for four years, she has served as Captain for two years. Elizabeth has participated in the Government Club and Model United Nations as well as a member of DECA (Distributive Education Clubs of America). As a member of the Robotics Club, her team was a regional winner in competition. Her school recognized her recently as one of the top ten students in her grade for the entire district, and top four among her class.

Among the additional honors she has received is being accepted to Lipscomb's Summer Scholar's Program, achieving the highest average in her high school World History, U.S. History, and Financial Planning classes. She is named in Who's Who in Journalism, and received an Excellence in Journalism award. Elizabeth was also selected to attend Girls State as a Delegate and served as Executive Editor of the Newspaper for the Tennessee Governor's School for the Humanities.

In Elizabeth's personal essay she quoted a noted pianist saying, "I have found that if you love life, life will love you back." She stated that quote was a perfect summation of the way she approaches each and every day. Elizabeth said that what she cares about most in life is not having money or nice things but feeling so fortunate to have people around her who love and care about her. Each week, as Editor of the school paper, she writes a column geared toward appreciating what you have in life and encouraging others to exhibit compassion. She has a genuine enthusiasm for giving back to others and wants a career that makes a difference in life. That led to her decision to major in elementary education enabling her to touch a child's life every day.

Elizabeth's English teacher states that she is not only an exceptional student, but she "... serves as an esteemed leader of her peers ..." She has led by example, delegates responsibly and manages her time wisely. Her teacher, as advisor for the newspaper, states that Elizabeth is "... one of the best editors I have had the pleasure to work with ..." Elizabeth's History teacher describes her as well rounded, academically strong, intellectually curious, and a productive and highly involved member of the school and community.

Lisa and Randy Roll are rightfully proud of Elizabeth. Randy is a delivery driver at location #20 in Nashville, Tennessee, and Lisa works in retail sales.

*Best of luck at Lipscomb University, 2011 Ferguson Scholar*

*Elizabeth A. Roll*