

# 'Battle of the Schools' promotes drug-free message

Nelson County students unite under the theme: 'Game On, Drugs Gone!'

Students from four local high schools came together for the inaugural Battle of the Schools, a May 22 event that blended spirited competition with an important message — living drug-free is powerful.

Held at Nelson County High School, the event welcomed seniors from Bardstown High School, Bethlehem High School, Nelson County High School and Thomas Nelson High School to participate in high-energy games and challenges. Underclassmen showed up in full force to cheer on their classmates, creating a community atmosphere of excitement and pride.

Created through a partnership among Nelson County Fiscal Court, Flaget Memorial Hospital, and Green Dot, the event was organized by Catherine Beavers and Misty Roller, with support from school staff, volunteers, and community leaders.

"We created Battle of the Schools as a fun, positive way to engage our high school seniors while reinforcing an important message — that choosing to live drug- and vape-free is powerful," Beavers said. "This event wasn't just about games and trophies; it was about celebrating students who are making healthy choices and showing underclassmen and



Bardstown students pose for a photo during the Battle of the Schools competition.

the community what leadership and resilience look like."

Nelson County High School took home the inaugural Senior Cup, while Bardstown High School earned the Spirit Award. Both traveling trophies will be engraved with the winners' names each year, creating a legacy for future students.

The evening featured a student-created awareness video, special messages from community leaders and a heartfelt speech from senior Dalton Roney-Parrish, who bravely shared his personal experience with the dangers of substance use.

Jennifer Nolan, president of Flaget Memorial Hospital, said the event offers important lessons that will help students throughout their lives.

"This event aligns perfectly with our mission at Flaget — to improve the health of the people that we serve," Nolan said. "Empowering young people with knowledge about the harmful effects of drugs,

alcohol, and tobacco use is an important start for healthy habits they can take into adulthood. As part of CommonSpirit Health, collaboration is a core value and one that students were able to see first hand how Flaget Memorial Hospital works with community partners to promote and support health and wellness beyond the walls of our hospital."

"This event was a great example of what happens when a community invests in its youth," said Nelson County Judge-Executive Tim Hutchins. "We were proud to support Battle of the Schools because it promotes values that matter — health, leadership, and community spirit. Events like this help shape a stronger, safer

Nelson County."

Misty Roller, violence prevention manager and Green Dot coordinator, said the event exceeded expectations. CommonSpirit Health's Mission and Ministry Fund provides funding for the Green Dot program in Nelson County

"Tonight was more than I could have hoped for. The camaraderie among students and schools was great, and the attendance — nearly 200 people — was amazing for a first-time event," Roller said. "I loved having a front row seat to watch our seniors make memories and be the pioneers for what I hope becomes an annual tradition for our community. I'm also grateful for the



Students engaged in friendly competition during the Battle of the Schools, which is designed to promote a drug-free message through local youth.


willingness of Nelson County Fiscal Court and Flaget Memorial Hospital to collaborate with Green Dot to think outside the box in how we deliver prevention messages to youth while building relationships with them."

Nelson County Jailer Justin Hall also praised the event's impact. "The evening was such a great night not only for the students but for adults as well," he said. "I was very happy to see so many come out to support our youth and also use

it as a learning experience to keep our kids off drugs."

Special thanks are extended to GOQuest, which dedicated volunteers helped the evening run smoothly, and to all staff and supporters who helped bring the event to life.

With its successful debut, organizers are already looking ahead to next year, hoping to grow the event and continue its mission to promote wellness, connection and positive choices for Nelson County youth.



## LEGAL NOTICE

Probate Notice of Appointments

The following Fiduciaries have been appointed in the Nelson District Court.

Any claims against the following Estates should be presented to the named fiduciary before December 10, 2025.

**25-P-168 Estate of Judith R. Elliott,**  
1449 N. Third Street, Apt. 207,  
Bardstown, KY 40004.  
6/10/25 Jerry Bryan Hardin, 370 Cornish Lane,  
Bloomfield, KY 40008 appointed Executor.  
Attorney Suzanne Hite, Matthew Hite,  
798 Portland Ave., Bardstown, KY 40004.

Any claims against the following Estates should be presented to the named fiduciary before December 11, 2025.

**25-P-163 Estate of Anna Mae Willett,**  
229 Church St., New Hope, KY 40052.  
6/11/25 Anna Williamson, 229 Church St.,  
New Hope, KY 40052, Charles Ray Willett,  
505 Locust St., New Haven, KY 40051, and  
Francis Leo Willett, 11300 New Haven Rd.,  
New Haven, KY 40051 appointed Co-Administrators.  
Attorney Amanda Rogers Deaton, 212 E. Stephen  
Foster Ave., Bardstown, KY 40004.

**25-P-180 Estate of Holbert Beavers,**  
650 Prather Ridge Road, Bloomfield, KY 40008.  
6/11/25 Windil Beavers, 800 Love Ridge Rd.,  
Chaplin, KY 40012 appointed Executor.  
Attorney Thomas Hamilton, P.O. Box 327, 212 E.  
Stephen Foster Ave., Bardstown, KY 40004.

Any claims against the following Estates should be presented to the named fiduciary before December 12, 2025.

**20-P-101 Estate of Mary Linda Norman,**  
690 Monks Rd, New Haven, KY 40051.  
6/12/25 David Norman, 3343 New Hope Rd.,  
New Haven, KY 40051 re-appointed Executor.  
Attorney Amanda Rogers Deaton, 212 East  
Stephen Foster Avenue, Bardstown, KY 40004.  
**Diane Thompson,**  
Nelson Circuit &  
District Court Clerk

# AUCTION

## SATURDAY, JULY 19TH @ 10:00 AM EST

**LIVE ON-SITE AND SIMULCAST BIDDING**  
**4198 SPRINGFIELD RD, BARDSTOWN, KY 40004**



**3 BEDROOM WITH BONUS ROOM, 3 BATH**  
**BRICK HOME WITH OUTBUILDINGS ON 22 ACRES,**  
**ZONED A-1, SOLD IN 5 TRACTS**  
**LOCATED IN NELSON COUNTY, KY**

**Tract 1:** 2.0 acres zoned A-1 on Poplar Flats Road. There is a 20-foot waterline easement across this tract owned by the City of Bardstown  
**Tract 2:** 5.335 acres zoned A-1 located on Poplar Flats Road and Mary Taylor Lane. There is a 20-foot waterline easement owned by the City of Bardstown  
**Tract 3:** 5.0 acres on Mary Taylor Lane zoned A-1  
**Tract 4:** 5.0 acres on Mary Taylor Lane zoned A-1. This tract includes a 1,820 square foot 3-bedroom home with 3 baths, bonus room, full basement with garage, deck and carport. Outbuildings include a 6 bay machinery shed, cattle stock barn, shop building with a large chicken coop area and a grain bin. There is a temporary construction easement noted on the plat owned by the Commonwealth of Kentucky and also a 20-foot access easement to the remainder of the farm  
**Tract 5:** 5.0 acres located on Hwy 150, and Mary Taylor Road. It is zoned A-1. There is a 20-foot waterline easement owned by the City of Bardstown

**A live and simulcast auction will be held for this 3 bedroom, 3 bath brick home with walk-out basement, situated on 22 acres, zoned A-1, located in Nelson County, KY. Property will be sold in 5 tracts ranging from 2 to 5.3 acres. There are multiple outbuildings, including a machinery shed, stock barn, shop, and grain bin.**  
**Go to AREAAuctioneers.com to register to bid.**

**Buddy & Mary "Susie" Taylor Estate**

Farm machinery and personal property: John Deere 5420 tractor with mdl 541 loader, cab, New Idea 5209 Discbine, Rhino batwing mower model SE415, New Idea manure spreader model 217, Cub cadet commercial mower, mdl 3660 SN Oc291780017, Ranger ES 4 wheeler, IH McCormick hammermill pto driven, Bush Hog post hole digger, International 8 foot wheel disc, double cuttipacker 12 foot, bale unroller, John Deere Van Brunt Model FB SN 516 conventional drill, 8 foot, John Deere grader 6 foot, John Deere Model 80, 4 row corn planter, boom 200 gallon sprayer, One row plow with interchangeable one row shank, Lincoln Arc welder 225 amp, Red Lion concrete mixer, Free standing antique corn sheller, attachable corn sheller, cream can, chain, hand post hole digger, steel barrels, glassware and collectables and much more.

**Terms and Conditions:** Real Estate: Tract 4 which contains the home, \$50,000 down the day of the auction the balance due within 45 days from the auction date. Tracts 1,2,3, and 5 \$10,000 down the day of the auction the balance due within 45 days from the date of the auction. Personal Property: Full payment day of auction. Payment will be in the form of cash, cashier's check, or verified funds. Real estate taxes will be prorated. No contingencies. Property will be sold in "AS IS" condition. No Buyer's Premium.  
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