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## MLES student to serve as Parade Starter

Reese Boswell, a fifth-grade student at Meadow Lands Elementary School, will serve as the official Parade Starter for the 82nd annual Owensboro-Daviess County Christmas Parade, which begins at 4:30 p.m. Saturday, Nov. 17, in downtown Owensboro.

Each year, the volunteer parade committee selects a local person who embodies the heart, spirit and openness of the Christmas season and gives them the honor of beginning the annual celebration by blowing the whistle that begins a celebration of true joy.

Reese was selected as a student who embodies the Meadow Lands Pledge:

Today, I will LEAP into learning by:

Liking myself and others

Excelling at everything I do

Acting safely and responsibly

Promoting pride in myself, my school and my community!

MLES Principal Kevin Lowe said, "Reese always has a contagious smile on her face. Reese is never one to be negative towards others or situations; she always looks for the positive. Reese is involved in the school's choir, academic team, and is a leader who can be trusted with various responsibilities throughout the building. Reese truly represents the Meadow Lands Pledge each and every day, and we are excited to see what opportunities awaits her in the future."

Reese loves to play softball, spend time with family and friends, and is passionate about helping others. Reese is very excited to be a part of this year's Christmas parade and hopes everyone enjoys a safe and happy holiday season! Reese is the daughter of Jeremy and Amanda Boswell of Owensboro.

"It is always a joy to bestow this honor on a young person who is so very excited about being a part of our annual celebration and one that is dedicated to making those around her better in every way possible. Reese embodies Christmas spirit and the joy of the season," said parade committee volunteer Kenny Williams.

The theme for this year's Christmas parade is "Our Christmas Wish." There will be about 120 floats and other entries this year, making this the first and largest Christmas parade in the tristate area. The public is invited to join the celebration on the Saturday before Thanksgiving in Downtown Owensboro, "where Kentucky starts Christmas."

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