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One local student was among 17 seniors from The Gatton Academy of Mathematics and Science in Kentucky have been recognized as Semifinalists in the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program.

Since The Gatton Academy's inception in 2007, 255 students have been named National Merit Semifinalists. Since students take the qualifying PSAT exam in October of their junior year of high school, much of their preparation stems from learning opportunities during their freshman and sophomore years of high school. The Gatton Academy builds on students' sending school experiences to provide them with preparation for the ACT and SAT, critical components in becoming finalists.

The 2023-2024 National Merit Semifinalists from The Gatton Academy include Bailey Seadler of Elizabethtown from John Hardin High School.

Finalists will be announced in February, and all National Merit Scholarship winners for 2024 are selected from this group. Winners will be announced in four nationwide news releases beginning in April and concluding in July 2024. Merit Scholar designees are selected on the basis of their skills, accomplishments and potential for success in college studies.

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