East Elementary awards

Kiwanis Terrific Kids: C. J. Houser, Abigail Sewell, Ke'Azha Hartgrove, Mason Weaver, Arielle Ritch, Austin Putnam, Madelyn Helms, Zyan Gamble, Chloe Hudson, Caleb Holland, Makylah Reid, Abigail Latham, Isaiah Tate, SaraBeth Seaward, Emily Stone, Layson Breakfield, Dre Hill, Stacy Hannon, Tyrone Nichols, Natalie Green, Keelan Elliott, Chase Barnette, Seth Morrow, Dagan Whittaker, Cameron Stevens, Anna Byers, Ricaylen Mack, Summer Swango, Precious Whitener, Chance Cummings.

Perfect Attendance for the first nine weeks of school: Cameron Bell, Brittany Blanton, Elijah Campbell, C J Houser, Sydney King, Tony Latham, Kallie McCoid, Abigail Sewell, Austin Silvers, Curtis Simpson, Brooke Blanton, Gabriel Cordle, Ke'Azha Hartgrove, Jayden Jackson, Victoria Lovell, Jacob Nicholson, Cater Simpson, Mason Weaver, Kaitlan Wilson, Arielle Ritch. First grade students: Madison Buchanan, Jacob Hamrick, Kylie Hemphill, Leah McSweeney, Jordan Stamp, Jeremiah Ellis, Caleb Holland, Chloe Hudson, William Nail, CoRey Simpson, Bryan Yarborough, Logan Green, Dalton, Ledbetter, Karlie Postell, Makylah Reid, Vanyah Roberts, Natalie Silvers, Erik Solis, Hannah Stone. Second grade students: Baylee Briggs, Damien Carpenter, Kelsey Goode, Darrien Martin, Andrea Melton, Isaiah Tate, Taylor Watson, Seth Wood, Kalin Brooks, Savion Chisholm, Tyler Clack, Natalie Hord, Cadyn Martin, Mark Petrilli, Jordyn Sanders, Emily Stone, DaShaunn Black, Paul Nealy, Isaac Reid, Elise Smith, K'Jaylyn Smith. Third grade students: Natalie Green, Gage Hildreth, Tommy Moore, Keylon Parker, Sabrina Parker, Kylee Patterson, Christian Quevedo-Johns, Brianna Reid, Precious Roberts, M'Kayla Adams, Gracie Brown, Kyann Crocker, Haylee Dockery, Connor Goodson, Bryan Packer, Austin Parker, Hannah Spencer, Devan Worley, Michael Blanton, Cameron Cordle, Haley Hall, Seth Morrow, Dawson Postell, Kadance Revels, Shaelin Smith, Austin Thompson. Fourth grade students: Aaliyah Black, Makayla Brooks, Anna Byers, Jason Crotts, Cynthia Edwards, Nyah Holland, Essence Houser, Kaitlin King, Sanai Lipscomb, Kaleb McKinnish, Destiny Simmons, Ke'Shawn Strong, Jaylne Crawford, Nathan Crotts, Adam Hamrick, Lindsey Hudson, Kacy Jackson, Ricaylen Mack, Ronnie Neely Daniel Nivens, Makayla Noblett, Summer Swango, Hope Yarborough, Brice Long, Joshua Lynn, Brooklyn Neely, Garret Sanders, Andrew Sewell, Gabriel Stroup, Precious Whitener.

Principal Pal Awards: Kindergarten students: Cameron Bell, Brittany Blanton, Elijah Campbell, Trinity Fields, C. J. Houser, Sydney King, Tony Latham, Preston Lattimore, Hailey Lawson, Michael Lynch, Kallie McCoid, Roger Sawyer, Abigail Sewell, Austin Silvers, Curtis Simpson, Alayla Williams, Ashton Wingard, Brooke Blanton, Melissa Brooks, Gabriel Cordle, Adam Harrelson, De'Azha Hartgrove, Nathan Howell, Jayden Jackson, Dezirae Jenkins, Brianna Johns, Victoria Lovell, Cody Morrow, Jacob Nicholson, Carter Simpson, Marina Thomas, Kevin Vallejo-Avila, Mason Weaver, Kaitlan Wilson, Eli Wolfe, Brenda Arroyo-Perez, Reagan Gaddy, Riley Powers, Arielle Ritch, David Creighton, Destini Holland, Colin Mates, Austin Putnam. First grade students: Madison Buchanan, Jordan Ellis, Zyan Gamble, Jacob Hamrick, Madelyn Helms, Kylie Hemphill, Austin Hudson, Sarah Hudson, Stetson McDaniel, Leah McSweeney, Jailen Moore, Gage Noblett, Anthony Patterson, Cameron Walker, Anna Wells, Alyee Wilson, Gabriel Ramsey, Jeremiah Ellis, Chloe Hudson, Kyle Jackson, Blake Lovell, Michael Lubas, Tyler Myers, William Nail, CoRey Simpson, Bryan Yarborough, Aliyah Akers, Logan Farmer, Logan Green, Brianna Harrelson, Jayden Henderson, Tyler Humphries, Alexis Jackson, Abigail Latham, Dalton Ledbetter, Gabriel Olsen, Ryan Parker, Karlie Postell, Makylah Reid, Vanyah Roberts, Natalie Silvers, Caleb Tessiner. Second grade students: Baylee Briggs, Damien Carpenter, Maria Cavazos, Colin Degree, Kelsey Goode, Darrien Martin, Andrea Melton, Grace Olsen, Cody Packer, Katherine Rayfield, SaraBeth Seaward, Kole Short, Isaiah Tate, Taylor Watson, Seth Wood, Layson Breakfield, Kalin Brooks, Savion Chisholm, Michael Criswell, Natalie Hord, D J. King, Katherine Knight, Cadyn Martin, Mark Petrilli, Jordyn Sanders, Brittney Sanders, Kayleigh Sauls, Lona Sewell, Dashaunn Black, Melanie Buchanan, Samuel Butler, Seth Campbell, Jacob Carpenter, Marah Cook, Jada Goode, Stacy Hannon, Haley Hudson, Joshua O'Dell, Isaac Reid, Elise Smith, K'Jaylyn Smith, Mackenzie Smith, Dre Hill. Third grade students: Natalie Green, Gage Hildreth, Tommy Moore, Sabrina Parker, Kylee Patterson, Maliyah Cook, Brianna Reid, Precious Roberts, Darrell Whittaker, Nathaniel Winebarger, M'Kayla Adams, Faith Bradley, Gracie Brown, Kyann Crocker, Haylee Dockery, Jaden Fields, Connor Goodson, Bryan Packer, Austin Parker, Naz Alvarez, Michael Blanton, Cameron Cordle, Haley Hall, Azariea Hampton, Hayley McKenzie, Seth Morrow, Dawson Postell, Kadance Revels, Elijah Skidmore, Shaelin Smith, Austin Thompson, Dagan Whittaker. Fourth grade students: Matthew Baity, Aaliyah Black, Makayla Brooks, Anna Byers, Cynthia Edwards, Nyah Holland, Essence Houser, Kaitlin King, Sanai Lipscomb, Alyssa Mathis, Emma Quinn, Cameron Stevens, Ke'Shawn Strong, Precious Allen, Sam Cartee, Dakota Cobb, Nathan Crotts, Parker Fleming, Lindsey Hudson, Kacy Jackson, Ricaylen Mack, Bryson McDaniel, Alexia Moose, Ronnie Neely, Daniel Nivens, Makayla Noblett, Summer Swango, Hope Yarborough, Alexis Bradley, Chance Cummings, Noah Curry, Brice Long, Joshua Lynn, Ashtyn Martin, Endya Minor, Brooklyn Neely, Corey Parker, Garret Sanders, Andrew Sewell, Gave Stroup, Precious Whitener, Akasha Wolfe, Kalie Yarborough, Paul Anderson, Alissa Hunter.

A Honor Roll

First grade students: Jordan Ellis, Zyan Gamble, Jacob Hamrick, Kylie Hemphill, Stetson McDaniel, Leah McSweeney, Jailen Moore, Gage Noblett, Jordan Stamp, Cameron Walker, Anna Wells, Sarah Hudson, Madison Buchanan, Anthony Patterson, Michael Lubas, Blake Lovell, Bryan Yarborough, William Nail, Heaven Carpenter, Logan Farmer, Logan Green, Alexis Jackson, Dalton Ledbetter, Makylah Reid, Erik Solis, Caleb Tessiner. Second grade students: Baylee Briggs, SaraBeth Seaward, Taylor Watson, Layson Breakfield, Kalin Brooks, Cadyn Martin, Mark Petrilli, Jordyn Sanders, Jada Goode, Joshua O'Dell, Ashley Elise Smith. Third grade students: Kylee Patterson, Michael Blanton, Hayley McKenzie. Fourth grade students: Matthew Baity, Emma Quinn, Destiny Simmons, Cameron Stevens, Precious Allen, Dakota Cobb, Daniel Nivens, Lindsey Hudson, Corey Parker, Gabriel Stroup, Kalie Yarborough.

AB Honor Roll

First grade students: Austin Hudson, Gabriel Ramsey, Alyee Wilson, Kyle Jackson, Tyler Myers, Caleb Holland, Jeremiah Ellis, Samuel Lattimore, Ja'Vion Burris, Brianna Harrelson, Jayden Henderson, Tyler Humphries, Abigail Latham, Ryan Parker, Karlie Postell, Vanyah Roberts, Hannah Stone. Second grade students: Damien Carpenter, Maria Cavazos, Darrien Martin, Andrea Melton, Rebecca Morris, Grace Olsen, Cody Packer, Isaiah Tate, Jacob Allison, Savion Chisholm, Michael Criswell, Natalie Hord, D. J. King, Katherine Knight, Kayleigh Sauls, Emily Stone, Melanie Buchanan, Samuel Butler, Jacob Carpenter, Marah Cook, Haley Hudson, Annie Merritt, K'Jaylyn Smith, Mackenzie Smith. Third grade students: Tommy Moore, Jr., Brianna Reid, Precious Roberts, Nathaniel Winebarger, Natalie Green, M'Kayla Adams, Austin Parker, Hannah Spencer, Devan Worley, Haley Hall, Dawson Postell, Kadance Revels, Cameron Cordle, Shaelin Smith. Fourth grade students: Anna Byers, Cynthia Edwards, Essence Houser, Alyssa Mathis, Kaleb McKinnish, Hope Yarborough, Parker Fleming, Bryson McDaniel, Alexia Moose, Noah Curry, Alissa Hunter, Joshua Lynn, Ashtyn Martin, Brooklyn Neely, Garret Sanders, Andrew Sewell, Chris Wilson, Akasha Wolfe.

Science Award: K-1: Ashton Wingard, Eli Wolfe, Colin Mates, Leah McSweeney, Jeremiah Ellis, Natalie Silvers. Grades 2-4: Andrea Melton, Tyler Clack, Paul Nealy, Christian Quevedo-Johns, Austin Parker, Elijah Skidmore, Jason Crotts, Lindsey Hudson, Alexis Bradley.

Math Award: K-1: Sydney King, Marina Thomas, Austin Putnam, Cameron Walker, Anna Wells, Blake Lovell, Jermell Alexander. Grades 2-4: Taylor Watson, Natalie Hord, Samuel Butler, Kylee Patterson, M'Kayla Adams, Michael Blanton, Destiny Simmons, Dakota Cobb, Kalie Yarborough.

Social Studies Award: K-1: Curtis Simpson, Gabriel Cordle, David Creighton, Jordan Ellis, Bryan Yarborough, Ryan Parker. Grades 2-4: Darrien Martin, Ashton Miller, Annie Merritt, Tommy Moore, Jr., Connor Goodson, Austin Thompson, Dishon Hall, Sam Cartee, Erica McMahan.

Reading Award: K-1: Cameron Bell, Melissa Brooks, Colin Mates, Gage Noblett, Michael Lubas, Dalton Ledbetter. Grades 2-4: Baylee Briggs, Mark Petrilli, Joshua O'Dell, Sabrina Parker, Landon Phillips, Hayley McKenzie, Emma Quinn, Daniel Nivens, Noah Curry.

Handwriting Award: K-1: Trinity Fields, Kevin Vallejo-Avila, Brenda Arroyo-Perez, Stetson McDaniel, Alaysia Quinn, Erik Solis. Grades 2-4: Maria Cavazos, Kalin Brooks, Mackenzie Smith, Gage Hildreth, Jessica Cox, Azariea Hampton, Alyssa Mathis, Kacy Jackson, Brice Long.

Phonics Award: K-1: Tony Latham, Victoria Lovell, Colby Cox, Jacob Hamrick, Heaven Carpenter, Logan Green. Grade 2: Chris Barnette, Blayze Payne, Jada Goode.

Art Awards: K-1: Colin Mates, Marina Thomas, Jordan Stamp, Stetson McDaniel. Grades 2-4: D. J. King, Annie Merritt, Chase Barnette, Makayla Adams, Gave Stroup, Cynthia Edwards.

Music Awards: K-1: Trinity Fields, C J Houser, Brooke Blanton, Mason Weaver, Destini Holland, Colin Mates, Makylah Reid, Jermell Alexander, Caharie Johnson, Journey Carpenter, Kyle Jackson, Heaven Carpenter. Grades 2-4: Andrea Melton, Cody Packer, Kayleigh Sauls, Jacob Allison, Mackenzie Smith, K'Jaylyn, Kylee Patterson, Tommy Moore, Jessica Cox, Connor Goodson, Azariea Hampton, Dawson Postell, Kalie Yarborough, Corey Parker, Destiny Simmons, Matthew Baity, Daniel Nivens, Jaylne Carwford.

PE Awards: K-1: Tony Latham, Melissa Brooks, Arielle Ritch, Leah McSweeney, Ja'Vion Reid, Makylah Reid. Grades 2-4: Baylee Briggs, Jada Goode, Natalie Hord, Christian Quevedo-Johns, Jaden Fields, Shaelin Smith, Sanai Lipscomb, Daniel Nivens, Corey Parker.

Good Character Awards - September – RESPECT: K-1: Hailey Lawson, Adam Harrelson, Austin Putnam, Austin Hudson, Havon Surratt, Alexis Green; grades 2-4: SaraBeth Seaward, Jacob Allison, Seth Campbell, Charlie Graham, Jaden Fields, Naz Alvarez, Xavier Brown, Alexia Moose, Endya Minor. October – RESPONSIBILITY: K-1: Brittany Blanton, Brooke Blanton, Destini Holland, Alyee Wilson, CoRey Simpson, Brianna Harrelson; grades 2-4: Baylee Briggs, Kayleigh Sauls, K'Jaylyn Smith, Keylon Parker, Haylee Dockery, Shaelin Smith, Ke'Shawn Strong, Ronnie Neely, Brooklyn Neely.

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How Much You'll Pay for Medicare in 2012

Dear Savvy Senior,
I know we will be getting a slight increase in our Social Security checks next year but what about our Medicare costs. What will the Medicare premiums and deductibles cost seniors in 2012?

Looking Ahead

Dear Looking,
The new Medicare premium, deductible and co-pay charges for 2012 were all announced a few weeks ago and the news was actually pretty good. Here's a breakdown of what retirees can expect to pay for Medicare starting in January.

2012 Premiums
For most Medicare beneficiaries who enrolled in 2009 or earlier, your monthly premiums for Part B (which covers doctor visits and outpatient care) will increase only $3.50 to $99.90 in 2012. That's much less than was predicted by the government earlier in the year.

The increase is the first in four years for most people with Medicare, mainly because of the federal law that freezes Part B premiums when there's no Social Security cost-of-living adjustment (COLA), which was the case in 2010 and 2011. But, Social Security recently announced a 3.6 percent COLA for 2012.

That 3.6 percent increase will boost monthly Social Security checks by an average of about $43 for retirees next year. So, even after your Part B premiums get deducted from your Social Security checks, you'll still have about $40 more every month.

The news for younger retiree is even better. Medicare Part B beneficiaries that enrolled in 2010 who've been paying $110.50 per month, and those that enrolled this year (in 2011) who are currently paying $115.40 per month, will see their Part B premiums go down to $99.90.

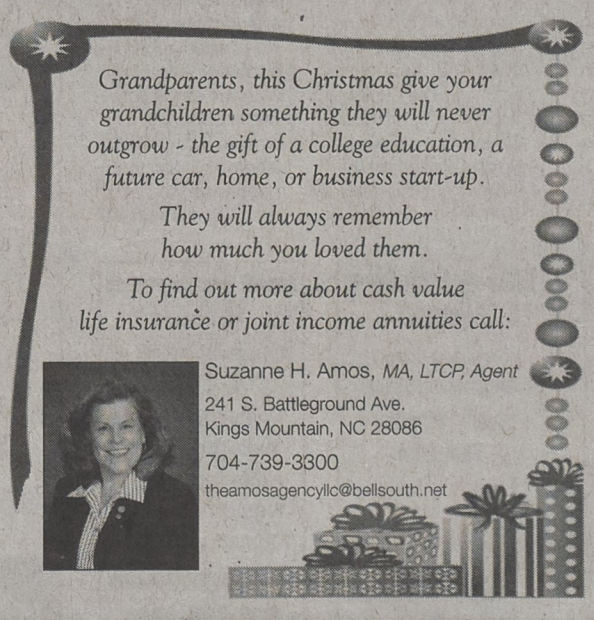
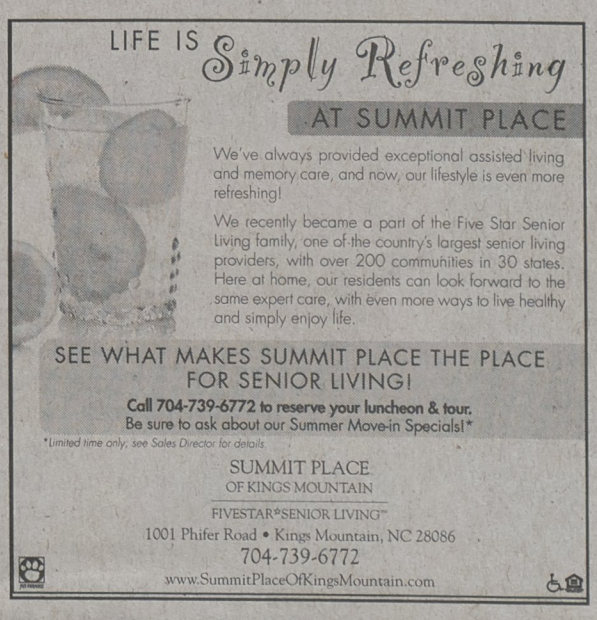
And for high-income beneficiaries, who've been paying higher Part B premiums because their annual incomes are more than $85,000, or $170,000 for joint filers, they too, will see their monthly Part B premiums drop in 2012. Here's a breakdown of what they will pay next year based on their income level.

- Individuals with incomes of $85,000 to $107,000, or married couples filing joint tax returns with incomes of $170,000 to $214,000 will pay $139.90 per person per month for Part B. That's a $21.60 reduction from this year's premium.
- Individuals earning $107,000 to $160,000, or married couples with incomes of $214,000 to $320,000 will pay $199.80 – a $30.90 reduction.
- Individuals with incomes of $160,000 to $214,000, or couples with incomes of $320,000 to $428,000 will pay $259.70 – a $40.20 reduction.
- Individuals over $214,000 or couples above $428,000 will pay $319.70 each per month for Part B. That's $49.40 less that this year.

Other Medicare changes you need to know about that will affect all beneficiaries includes the Part B deductible, which will be $140 in 2012, a decrease of $22. And the deductible for Part A, which covers inpatient hospital care, will rise by $24, to $1,156 next year.

For more information on all the Medicare premiums and coinsurance rates for 2012 see medicare.gov/cost or call 800-633-4227.

Help with Premiums
If you're a high-income beneficiary and your income has fallen since 2010 (the tax year used to determine your 2012 premiums) you may be able to reduce or eliminate your Medicare Part B premium surcharge. To qualify, your income loss must be tied to a life-changing event such as a marriage or divorce, a job loss or reduced work hours (including retirement), loss of income from income-producing property, or cuts in pension benefits. To learn more see ssa.gov/pubs/10536.html.

And for lower-income retirees who are having a difficult time paying their Medicare costs, help is available through Medicare Savings Programs. These are Medicaid-administered programs that pay Part B premiums and depending on your finances may even pick up the tab on your copayments and deductibles. To find out if you qualify contact your local Medicaid office – call 800-633-4227 for contact information.

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