

## Senior Spotlight: Brooke Elizabeth Kay

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May 12, 2011 - Brooke Elizabeth Kay is the 18-year-old daughter of John and Kim Kay. She is a member of First United Methodist Church of Leonard and has attended Leonard schools 13 years.



During her time at Leonard schools she has been active in marching band, jazz band, choir three years, student government four years, UIL Academics four years, FCA two years, Drill Team two years, Beta Club three years, One Act Play one year and yearbook one year. In band she served as Quartermaster two years, Vice President one year, Drum Major two years, and received the John Philip Sousa award two years, All-Region Band award two years, and All-Area Band award two years. In student government she served as vice president for three years. In UIL Academics she placed in the solo and ensemble contest two years - advancing to state on solo and in clarinet quintet and advancing to regionals three years.

In FCA she served as song leader; in Drill Team she served as First Lieutenant one year and Beta Club vice president one year.

Some of Brooke's favorite things include the following: food, mom's chicken pot pie and dad's pie; drink, cappuccino; color, purple; place, Washington, D.C.; movie, The Phantom of the Opera; actor, Harrison Ford; actress, Jennifer Garner; athlete, April Jones; team, Madison Scouts - Drum Corp International; song, I Will Rise by Chris Tomlin; person, John Whitwell; book, Pride and Prejudice and sport, marching band. Her favorite thing/memory at LHS is hanging out at the band hall after football games. Her favorite things to do in her free time are hanging out with friends, going to the movies and relaxing.

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Her advice for underclassmen is &quot;Discover your passions and pursue them wholeheartedly.&quot; If she could do anything, she would be the principal clarinet of the New York Philharmonic. If she could change anything, she would let everyone be a part of a loving, healthy family and distribute wealth more evenly across the world. Her pet peeve is laziness and the failure to give something your best shot.

She plans to attend Harding University and get a degree in music education, after she graduates.