**2014 Edward Nell Scholarship Winner**

**Name:** Kaitlin Billman

**High School:** Lawrence Central High School, Indianapolis

**College:** Indiana University-Bloomington

As a freshman, I chose a journalism course hoping it would make me a better writer. It did that and so much more.

As a sophomore, I joined our school’s award-winning newspaper (*Cub Reporter*) staff. The interviews, the deadlines, and the feeling that emerged when I put words together in a sequence that fit *just right* were indescribable. I have loved every aspect of it from the beginning.

I’ve learned how to handle and overcome obstacles that are prominent in high school, like time management, stress, and approaching deadlines. I’ve learned to be a leader *and* a team player.

My ultimate goal is to be affiliated with a television network.

I am excited to enter a field where I can uncover underlying facts and report the truth of the matter. I feel fortunate to have discovered a passion that I want to pursue the rest of my life.