

"HARD WORK BEATS TALENT" ALEXIS BIGGERS

... HONOR STUDENT ...ATHLETE
... FUTURE CHILD ADVOCATE
.. MICHIGAN CITY SUCCESS STORY

She was crowned prom queen this year, but Alexis Biggers is *much* more than a pretty face. This Michigan City High School senior is a 21st Century Scholar headed to Indiana University to prepare for a career helping children.

CHAMPION FOR KIDS: Alexis' career choice is inspired by her older sister, who works for Child Protective Services. "First, I wanted to go into social work, but now I'm leaning toward forensic science. I want to work as a police officer, crime scene investigator, or some other profession that will allow me to pursue justice for children."



Early

STUDENT AND TEACHER: To gain experience with young children, Alexis enrolled in the Early Childhood Education program at A.K. Smith Career Center. Through that program, she became a student teacher at St. Stanislaus School and a mentor for her fellow career/tech students. She credits her instructor, Jennifer Goss, with helping her to achieve her post-secondary goals. "Mrs. Goss has helped me with applying to colleges, writing essays, and getting scholarships. She takes time outside of school to push me to be better."

SCHOLAR ATHLETE: Along with the National and Technical Honor Societies, Alexis is a member of the track, volleyball, and basketball teams. She's also the founder of the "Crafty Wolves" fashion club, and received the Taj Ram Gupta scholarship from the Center for Creative Solutions. She'll spend her summer at IU in the Groups Scholars Program.

SECRET TO SUCCESS: "Hard work beats talent when talent fails to work hard."

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