

## Kentucky Student Honored with International Award

Arlington, Va., February [XX], 2024 – Noah Lyvers of Hodgenville, Kentucky, received the 2024 Yes I Can Award for School and Community from the Council for Exceptional Children (CEC). Noah will be honored this March along with other Yes I Can recipients at the CEC Convention and Expo in San Antonio, Texas.

The Yes I Can Awards celebrate the achievements of children and youth with exceptionalities, encouraging these individuals to seek their highest potential and increasing public awareness of the abilities, aspirations, and personal qualities of those with disabilities.

Noah lives with Oculomotor apraxia, which impacts purposeful eye movement and comes along with developmental delays. Noah is an active young man, participating in flag football, basketball, and softball with the Special Olympics. He often encourages his teammates, saying, “It’s okay; they are trying their best.” His passion for sports has landed him as his high school boys basketball team’s manager. He keeps the team organized and contributes to their morale.

Noah is an active member of his community. He volunteers monthly with his county’s Future Farmers of America, which provides and promotes agricultural education, to provide food in his community. He is involved within his church and youth group and is always willing to pitch in to set up and clean up. His contributions to the community, from his volunteer work to his positivity and ambition, have helped to make LaRue County a better place to live for all.

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The Council for Exceptional Children (CEC) is the largest international professional organization dedicated to high-quality education that is inclusive and equitable for individuals with disabilities. Learn more about CEC at <https://exceptionalchildren.org/>.