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Junior Achievement to induct prominent Indianapolis leaders into the Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame

Four outstanding members of the business community to be honored during December gala

INDIANAPOLIS – Today, Junior Achievement of Central Indiana (JACI) announced the four Laureates who will be inducted into the Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame this year. The 2021 Laureates are Tamika Catchings, Vice President of Basketball Operations and General Manager, Indiana Fever; Lisa Harris, M.D., CEO, Eskenazi Health; Tom Linebarger, Chairman and CEO, Cummins, Inc.; and Dave Ricks, Chairman and CEO, Eli Lilly and Company. The honorees will be inducted at the 33rd Annual Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame Gala on Friday, Dec. 3, 2021, at the Indiana Roof Ballroom, under the direction of this year's event chair Eric Tobias, Co-Founder and Partner of High Alpha.



2021 Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame Laureates from left to right: Tamika Catchings; Lisa Harris, M.D.; Tom Linebarger; Dave Ricks

"Junior Achievement's 2021 Laureates embody resilience, compassion and commitment to excellence in the face of adversity," said Jennifer Burk, JACI president and CEO. "We are honored to induct each of these outstanding individuals into the Hall of Fame and to highlight them as role models for the students Junior Achievement of Central Indiana serves."

Catchings, Harris, Linebarger and Ricks were selected based on their personal and professional achievements, high moral and ethical standards, dedication to civic causes and positive impact on the quality of life in central Indiana.

"The 2021 Laureates are an extremely deserving and hard-working group," said Tobias. "As event chair, I am honored and humbled to have the opportunity to celebrate these individuals for their outstanding impact not only to business but the entire community in central Indiana."

The Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame was established in 1989 by the Junior Achievement Board of Directors to honor outstanding men and women who epitomize personal and professional success and have had notable impact on the central Indiana community. Since the event's inception, 133 laureates have been inducted into the Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame.

To learn more about the Central Indiana Business Hall of Fame event and to purchase sponsorships, please visit <u>www.jahalloffame.org/</u> or contact Kacy Wendling, Vice President of Development at <u>kacy@jaindy.org</u>.

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About Junior Achievement of Central Indiana

<u>Junior Achievement of Central Indiana, Inc.</u> (JACI), in partnership with the business and education communities, empowers young people to own their future success. JA educates and inspires young people in the areas of career exploration, employability/life skills, entrepreneurship, financial literacy, and philanthropy through hands-on, experiential learning opportunities for children in preschool through high school.

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