in today's Sports section and will continue in the month of June. Each high school chooses a girl and boy who stood out in academics and athletics during the school year and athletic directors are requested to send in the information. In the spotlight this

week are honorees from Career Magnet Academy, Carter High, Christian Academy of Knoxville and Concord Christian School.

> Luke Simpson, CAK's male Student-Athlete of the Year, was a valuable wide receiver for the Mannions Last fall



By Mike Steely steelvm@knaxfocus.com It's crunch time for the Knox County

and Knoxville budgets and one item on both budgets getting some attention is the funding of the Behavioral Health Urgent Care Center. The Helen Ross McNabb operated facility, hailed as a victory in treating mentally ill and addicted minor law offenders when it opened, is facing a total state funding cutoff. The center's treatment policies are changing and Jerry Vagnier, director of the McNabb center, is looking to

local governments for support.

The city upped its contribution to the center from by \$183,950 to \$583,950 and the Knox County budget, which last year gave \$615,000, has increased to \$840,000 for the Behavioral Center.

Vagnier spoke recently at the commission's work session and said that the previous state funding accounted for about 75% of the Urgent Care Center's budget. He said the new governor stopped the funding and that is pressing the Center to look to local government. He said the judicial process has also changed as many of the minor offenders with mental health or

additions are now being arrested rather Cantinued on anna 2