

2019 AWARDS NIGHT PROGRAM

May 1, 2019

RYAN WACHTER

Good evening and welcome to Delran High School's 2019 Academic Awards Night.

Please stand for the Flag Salute.

"I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one Nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all." Thank you.

MR. DANIEL FINKLE

Good evening and welcome to Awards Night 2019. It is a pleasure to be here as we honor the achievements of our seniors as well as underclassmen. These students have excelled in the classroom, on the sporting fields, on the stage, and in the community. These students exemplify what it means to be a Delran Bear.

I would like to take this opportunity to acknowledge some special guests in attendance. Please welcome:

Members of our Board of Education: Mr. Glenn Kitley, Mr. Joseph Biluck, Mrs. Dawn Flanagan, Mrs. Mary Melvin, Mrs. Amy Rafanello, Mrs. Eileen Wachter, Mr. Mark Chierici, Mr. Mark Oberg and Mr. Colin Rafferty. I would also like to welcome Dr. Brian Brotschul, our Superintendent of Schools.

Though I am usually the face of Delran High School, I am certainly not working alone. I am proud to count as my colleagues our Assistant Principals, Mrs. Lena Galati and Mr. Brian Stolarick.

I would also like to take this time to thank the caring teachers, counselors, coaches, club advisors, and directors, many of whom are in attendance this evening, who have put in tireless hours working with our students. They enable our students to excel and shine in so many ways and their dedication and hard work certainly does not go unnoticed.

I would also like to recognize and thank Mr. Austin Martinez for his technical assistance this evening and throughout the year.

It is my esteemed pleasure to introduce our Superintendent of Schools, Dr. Brian Brotschul.

MRS. LENA GALATI:

THE #1 CLUB AWARD recognizes students who have contributed to DHS and the community in a positive way. They have promoted the school's image of excellence, spirit, and pride. The #1 Club Award is given for overall contribution, not necessarily upon performance, and may be the "Unsung Hero" of an organization. Membership is permanent. Once admitted, a member may not be nominated again, even by a different organization. The following seniors and underclassmen will receive a plaque and a pin:

CAITLYN AUGUSTE – Caitlyn has been an outstanding performer on the marching band field and always has a positive attitude. She has been a truly dedicated member of the Golden Regiment Marching Band and leads by example. We will miss her hard-working and amazing personality on and off the field next year. (Nominated by Mr. Tom Rafter)

ZACHARY BOHN – Zach has been a selfless member of the Varsity Wrestling Team for 4 seasons and defines what it means to be a dedicated teammate. He finished his high school wrestling career with 92 wins, 1st Team Patriot Division All-Star, District 24 Champion and Captain of the 2019 Patriot Division Champions! Your contributions to the wrestling program will be missed! (Nominated by Coach Nathan Marter)

MADELINE BRIGNOLA - Madeline has been a member of the Girls' Cross-country Team for the last 2 seasons. She is a very hard worker and is a major key to the team's success this year. We are looking for a strong senior season from Madeline. (Nominated by Coach Mike Guzik)

KATHERINE FLYNN - Katie is well respected by her teammates and her coaches and served as one of our Co-captains this year. Katie distinguished herself as a team player who was able to play as a guard or forward. She was a hard worker in practice and contributed in many different ways to the success of the team. Congratulations Katie! (Nominated by Coach Pete Miles)

JENNA GORMAN – Jenna puts her heart and soul into everything she does for the Field Hockey Team. Her quiet demeanor may fool you but we know there's a screaming beast inside of her. She is the most compassionate field hockey player and her coaches and team love her for all the passion, determination and hard work she brings each and every day to the field. (Nominated by Coach Renee Bruno)

NICHOLAS GUARINO - Nick is the example of what it means to be dedicated. Battling through injury, he never missed practice and always remained a positive example of what being a student-athlete is all about. As a Captain of our program, Nick's leadership proved to be invaluable. Thank you for all of your pride and commitment to the Boys' Cross-country Team. (Nominated by Coach Stephen Blenderman)

AIMEE HABERSTICK - Aimee is a core member of the women's auditioned Bel Canto Choir at DHS. She is dedicated and always works hard both in and out of rehearsals to learn her part and sings in the very best way she can on and off the stage! (Nominated by Mrs. Kathy Drachowski)

NATALIE HAMLIN - Since sophomore year, Natalie has proven to be a natural leader in the Yearbook class and continues to be one of this year's junior staff editors. Her enthusiasm, persistence, and dedication has lent toward creating a memorable yearbook. She recognizes and foresees possible conflicts or issues, and plans accordingly. She is professional, takes responsibility and ownership, and shows maturity well beyond her years. (Nominated by Ms. Justine Carey & Mr. Austin Martinez)

MAKAYLA HEISLER – Makayla has been a dedicated member of the Girls' Soccer Program for four seasons. She is a team player with a positive attitude and willingness to succeed. She has an exceptional work ethic and always gives her best effort. Your contributions to the program will be missed immensely! (Nominated by Coach Nathan Marter)

CHRISTOPHER HUNT - Chris has been a significant part of the Boys' Basketball Program for the last four years. He has a tremendous competitive spirit and eagerly embraced the role of Captain this past season. He is a player who prides himself on effort and always accepts a difficult challenge. Chris will certainly be missed next year. (Nominated by Coach Travis Murphy)

BROOKE LANGOWSKI - As one of the Captains on the Swim Team, Brooke shines as a leader. She gives her all in and out of the pool. Brooke is patient, kind and very caring of her teammates and encourages them to believe in themselves by believing in herself. (Nominated by Coach Kim McGonigle)

MAURA LYNN - Maura has shown dedication to the spring musical for her entire high school career. Over the years, she has served in a leadership capacity as one of our Billboard Coordinators putting in tireless hours to trace and paint our sandwich boards used around town for publicity. What she is most praised for is her contagious smile and positive attitude during each production; especially

notable was the friendship and support she showed to underclassman during this year's musical, Seussical. (Nominated by Ms. Cara Davis)

JUSTIN MA - Since his freshman year, Justin has been a loyal and dedicated member of the Animal Lover's Club earning a spot as an officer his freshman year. Justin shows up rain or shine to volunteer his time walking rescued greyhounds as they await adoption. During his time as an officer, Justin has participated in events like Delran Day, Track or Treat, the PTA Craft Fair and the many trips the club has sponsored. Justin is always coming up with new great ideas to help animals. (Nominated by Mrs. Jackie McGhee & Mrs. Patty Kolodi)

EMMA MATERA – Emma has cemented her name in the history books by becoming the first Delran female wrestler to place in the individual state championships. She is a hardworking and dedicated teammate who always gives her best effort! Your teammates and coaches are very proud of you, and we are looking forward to next season! (Nominated by Coach Nathan Marter)

RONALD MOTEN - RJ provides amazing leadership for his peers on and off the football field. He strives to encourage his teammates to become better every day as he does for himself. He does an amazing job of representing what it means to be a Delran Student-Athlete. (Nominated by Coach Garrett Lucas)

MARK OLIVO - Butter (Mark) has been an outstanding student-athlete throughout his four years at DHS. As a Captain of the Boys' Soccer Team, Butter led the Bears both on and off the soccer field. His outstanding leadership, hard work, and love for Brown and Gold made a huge impact for our school and soccer program. Butter helped lead the Bears to 4 consecutive South Jersey Sectionals Championships, and has been named 1st Team All-County, All-South Jersey, and All-State. (Nominated by Coach Michael Otto)

LOGAN O'NEILL – Logan has been a committed member of the Bowling Team for 4 years. In his senior year, he provided valuable leadership as Captain of the team. (Nominated by Coach Kevin Romanik)

AMANDA OTTOMANELLI – Amanda is an amazing student who took the reins of the German Club this year investing her time and creativity to the group. She was such a pleasure to have in class, in German Club and as a student for the last four years.

Amanda has been a member of the Culinary Arts Club since her freshman year. She has been President of the club for the last two years. Her participation in the club has benefited numerous Delran students as well as community members. (Nominated by Mrs. Laura Diamond and Dr. Austin Anderson)

TULSI PATEL – Tulsi is one of our Transition Project Officers and has been instrumental in the program being so successful this school year. She stays in constant contact with the Peer Leaders and makes sure everyone is prepared for our weekly activities. Her enthusiasm can be felt (and heard) throughout the school and she exudes school spirit. (Nominated by Mr. Jon Repece and Mr. Nathan Marter)

OLIVIA POWELL - Olivia is a role model to other students and is looked upon often for her leadership. She understands the value of goal setting and the importance of teamwork. Olivia maintains a positive outlook in all situations and exudes admirable confidence that continues to inspire her younger teammates. Olivia is not only an excellent cheerleader; she is also an exceptional individual who excels in the classroom while managing her involvement in a number of extracurricular activities. (Nominated by Coach Jaclyn Olah)

ADRIANA PULEO - Adriana has been a dedicated Thespian since before she even entered the doors of Delran High School. Over the years, Adriana has participated in every Thespian Society organized event and she encourages her friends and supportive family to partake in everything the performing arts in Delran has to offer. Her positive attitude bleeds through our entire theatre department, and she has been a spectacular role model for others in her positions as Choreographer for Broadway Night and our troupe's secretary. (Nominated by Ms. Cara Davis and Ms. Laura Schreiner)

DYLAN PULLEY – Dylan has been an asset to the Swim Team since his freshman year. He strives to achieve success at meets and at practices. He has been a leader this year assisting his teammates and encouraging them to succeed. (Nominated by Coach Kim McGonigle)

CONNOR SHANAHAN – Connor had very big shoes to step into as the Sound Designer for the Spring Musical and he took that role on in great strides this year. We were very impressed with Connor's dedication and determination to learn all of the components necessary to run sound for the spring musical. Additionally, Connor began to train underclassmen on the components of the microphones in terms of proper usage and safety. (Nominated by Ms. Cara Davis and Mr. Austin Martinez)

RACHEL SOFRONEY - Rachel was selected as Co-captain of the Winter Cheerleading Squad for her leadership and positive attitude. Throughout the season, she was a natural leader and would often help the coaches with fundraising efforts without hesitation. Rachel could always be counted on for the squad and her coaches. (Nominated by Coach Jacky Carey and Coach Maria Lucidi)

KAITLYN STAVELY - Kate has been a dedicated member of the Chemical Engineering and Manufacturing Club since it began. This year, she was instrumental in getting the work started and maintaining momentum from designing products through production and sales. (Nominated by Mrs. Siobhan McVay)

DONA STILLWELL – Even though she was balancing work and school, Dona fulfilled her commitment to competing on the Girls' Tennis Team. During the offseason, she spent many hours in preparation for a Varsity position. Fulfilling her goal, she was a major contributor at second doubles this season. (Nominated by Coach Bill Bodenschatz)

RYAN WACHTER - Ryan is a natural leader, hard worker, and an incredible student. He is the Student Council Executive Board President as a junior and continues to lead the school with poise and determination, all while maintaining impressive academic achievement. Ryan is truly an exceptional all around student. We are looking forward to working with Ryan next school year! (Nominated by Ms. Jacky Carey and Mrs. Caitlyn Como)

NYGEL WELLS - Nygel is a dedicated member of the Concert Choir who is not only incredibly talented but a positive role model for underclassmen in the ensemble. He works hard to facilitate bonding among our choir family and shines both on and off the stage! (Nominated by Mrs. Kathy Drachowski)

AVERY WHITE - Avery White is well-deserving of a #1 Club nomination because of his outstanding performance as "J. Francis Amber" in the Delran Players' fall production of "UTBU - It's Unhealthy to be Unpleasant." Avery had an enormous amount of lines and blocking to memorize thanks to his character being onstage in almost every scene. He worked hard, and his performance was the thread that tied the show together. (Nominated by Ms. Laura Schreiner)

NICOLE WILLARD-MOORE - Nicole comes to every Art Club meeting and is a positive role model. She is creative, has good work ethic, and helps others with developing their ideas and designs. (Nominated by Mrs. Jacky McGhee and Ms. Lindsay Dunham)

SIMONE WILLIAMS – Simone was a driving force in our first annual, Diversity Day Luncheon that served our school and surrounding communities. In addition, she spearheaded creating and maintaining book clubs that were actively engaging for all participants. I am looking forward to working with Simone again next year as we expand the reach and influence of the Diversity Club. (Nominated by Mrs. Siobhan McVay)

MR. BRIAN STOLARICK:

PRINCIPAL'S LIST AWARD recognizes students who have maintained straight A's for all three marking periods this school year. This is a very select group. It is extremely difficult to maintain this excellence in a school with a demanding curriculum. The following seniors and underclassmen will receive a plaque and an Academic Excellence pin:

SENIORS: Grace Carruol, Stephen Grello, Jacob Lindaberry, Juliana Stellwag and Nicole Willard-Moore

JUNIORS: Colin Kremus, Adriana Puleo, Brooke Wachter and Ryan Wachter

SOPHOMORE: Taylor Hamlin, Michael Martin, Dylan McMullen, Kyle Silva and Gianna Vaiarelli

FRESHMEN: Joseph Carruol, Claire Flynn, Margaret Flynn, Alexandra Kaiafas and Alex Mongelli

DHS DEPARTMENTAL GRADUATION AWARDS

MRS. LENA GALATI:

The following students will receive the Art Department Award for academic excellence:

Excellence in Painting: **Moses Rodrigues**

Excellence in Sculpture: **Brian Cunha**

Excellence in Sketchbook: **Kaitlyn Stavely**

Graphic Design Logo & Corporate Identity Award: **Kevin Brown**

Graphic Design Packaging & Layout Award: **Nicole Ucheya**

Graphic Design Illustration Award: **Carmen Rambo**

Video Production Young Filmmaker Award: **John Kalina**

Excellence in Photography: **Nicole Willard-Moore**

The following student will receive the **Music Department Senior Award** for academic excellence in Band: **Adam Dorfman**

The following student will receive the **Music Department Senior Award** for academic excellence in Choir: **Sophia Chascsa**

The following student will receive the **Music Department Service Award** for academic excellence in Band: **Alexandra Azoulay**

The following student will receive the **Music Department Service Award** for academic excellence in Choir: **Andrew Chojnacki**

The following students will receive the **Social Studies Department Awards** for academic excellence:

Excellence in American History: **Katherine Taveras**
Excellence in Government & Politics: **Stephen Grello**
Excellence in World History: **Brooke Langowski**

The **Student Council Award** in recognition for Excellence in Service is presented to **Tati White**.

The **Student Council Award** in Recognition for Excellence in Leadership is presented to **Makayla Heisler**.

The **Community Service Award** is presented to **Samiyah Lawrence** far exceeded the minimum required service to the school, community or country. She demonstrated a true passion for service and sought to serve others consistently throughout his time at DHS.

The **World Language Department Award** for academic excellence is presented to the following students:

Excellence in French: **Caitlyn Auguste** and **Mackenzie Casey**
Excellence in German: **John Kalina**
Excellence in Spanish: **Stephen Grello**

MR. BRIAN STOLARICK:

The following students will receive the **Business Technology Department Awards** for academic excellence:

- Creative Marketing Strategist for Excellence in Sales, Promotion & Marketing Campaign Execution: **Jacob Lindaberry**
- Outstanding Cooperative Marketing Education Student: **Collin Koehler**

- Advertising Executive of the Year for Excellence in Sales, Promotion & Marketing Campaign Execution: **Sabrina Pereira**
- Business Executive of the Year for Excellence in Accounting: **Erin Duff**

The following students will receive the **Mathematics Department Award** for academic excellence:

Excellence in AB Calculus: **Juliana Stellwag**
 Excellence in BC Calculus: **Sarah Schaefer**
 Excellence in Statistics: **Stephen Grello**

The **Science Department Awards** for academic excellence are presented to the following students:

Excellence in Biology: **Katherine Taveras**
 Excellence in Microbiology: **Emma Covington**
 Excellence in Anatomy & Physiology: **Emily Fabricante**
 Excellence in Chemistry: **Stephen Grello**
 Excellence in Physics: **Sarah Schaefer**
 Excellence in Forensic Science: **Nicole Travis**
 Excellence in Horticulture: **Logan O'Neill**
 Excellence in Earth Sciences: **Victoria March**

The **Family & Consumer Science Department Award** for academic excellence in Culinary Arts is presented to **Ciara Vazquez**.

The **Technology Education Department Award** for academic excellence in Computer Programming is presented to **Jenna Gorman**.

The **Health & Physical Education Department Awards** for academic excellence are presented to **Angela Yansick** and **Anthony Yansick**.

MR. DANIEL FINKLE

At this time, it is my honor and privilege to name Delran High School's Class of 2019 top Academic Awards:

Excellence in English: **Kaitlyn Stavely**
 Excellence in Math Award: **Joseph Sundermier**
 Excellence in Science Award: **Joseph Sundermier**
 Excellence in Social Studies Award: **Emma Covington**

Being named Valedictorian and Salutatorian has come to symbolize two of the highest honors you can achieve academically in high school.

Delran High School is pleased to announce senior **Juliana Stellwag** as the Class of 2019 Salutatorian.

Delran High School is pleased to announce senior **Stephen Grello** as the Class of 2019 Valedictorian.