

# **Middletown Township Board of Education**



## **Board of Education Student Recognition May 23, 2023 6:00 PM High School North Auditorium**

## **Student Recognition**

Mary Ellen Walker, Superintendent of Schools  
Jessica Alfone, Assistant Superintendent  
Matthew Kirkpatrick, Assistant Superintendent  
Patrick Rinella, Assistant Superintendent  
Frank Capone, President, Board of Education  
Jacqueline Tobacco, Vice-President, Board of Education

### **Recognition of Special Olympics Student-Athletes**

Dr. Michele Tiedemann, District Director for Special Education  
Tiffany Betz, Special Olympics Advisor

This year, our student athletes participated in bowling throughout the fall and winter. They participated in track and field in the spring and competed in the Area 06 Regional track meet. The Board of Education commends the following student-athletes for their active involvement in the Special Olympics during the 2022-2023 school year.

Aria Montalto, Bayview Elementary School  
Thomas Crockett, Middletown High School South  
Michael Crockett, Shore Center  
Addison Dohnert, Thorne Middle School  
Tyler Beizem, Thorne Middle School  
Brianna Emerson, Thorne Middle School  
Declan Hennessy, Bayview Elementary School  
Lochlan Pullen, Middletown Village Elementary School  
Rochelle Donaldson, Middletown High School South  
Jordon Cuffe, Bayshore Middle School  
Justin Cuffe, Bayshore Middle School  
Butchie Febbo, Bayview Elementary School  
William Hatfield, Bayview Elementary School  
Brooke Charles, Middletown High School South

**Recognition of Students Who Achieved Awards in the 2023 Law Day Contest**

Lucinda Van Glahn, Director English/Language Arts

In recognition of Law Day 2023, the Superior Court of New Jersey, Monmouth Vicinage invited Monmouth County students to participate in their annual Law Day Art, Poetry and Essay contest.

We congratulate the following MTPS students on achieving recognition in the Law Day contests.

Isabella Valenzano, Leonardo Elementary School, 1st place poetry winner, Superior Court of NJ Monmouth Vicinage Law Day Contest 2023

Liana Krukowski, Leonardo Elementary School, 2nd place poetry winner, Superior Court of NJ Monmouth Vicinage Law Day Contest 2023

Harper Johnson, Leonardo Elementary School, 3rd place in poetry and art, Superior Court of NJ Monmouth Vicinage Law Day Contest 2023

**Daughters of the American Revolution Youth Citizenship Medals**

James Rasmussen, Director of Social Studies

The DAR Youth Citizenship Medal was established to foster among schoolchildren a greater appreciation of the qualities of citizenship Americans must possess if our country is to remain sovereign and independent. This medal is presented to a student (male or female) who exemplifies the qualities of honor, service, courage, leadership, and patriotism.

Ja'meria Carter, Thorne Middle School, Daughters of the American Revolution-Middletown Chapter Youth Citizenship Medal

Gianna Santilli, Middletown High School North, Daughters of the American Revolution-Middletown Chapter Youth Citizenship Medal

Thea Rowland, Middletown High School South, Daughters of the American Revolution-Middletown Chapter Youth Citizenship Medal

**NJ Council for the Social Studies**

James Rasmussen, Director of Social Studies

Abigail Stocker, Middletown High School South, First place recipient, NJ Council for the Social Studies

**NY/NJ Anti-Defamation League Awards for Exceptional Leadership**

James Rasmussen, Director of Social Studies

Abigail Stocker, Middletown High School South, NY/NJ Anti-Defamation League Cynthia Marks' Student Legacy Award for Exceptional Leadership

Lucas Vanzelli, Middletown High School South, NY/NJ Anti-Defamation League Award for Exceptional Leadership

Georgina Hicks, Middletown High School South, NY/NJ Anti-Defamation League Award for Exceptional Leadership

**Recognition of 2022 Monmouth County Guidance Directors Association**

**Caring Award Recipients**

Kevin Cullen, Principal, High School North

Thomas Olausen, Principal, High School South

Congratulations to Jack Kratz, High School North, and Sophia Luna, High School South, for receiving the Monmouth County Guidance Directors Association Caring Award. These students were selected to represent their high school because they have demonstrated exceptional caring and compassion to a cause, group, or program during their high school careers.

**Recognition of Eagle Scouts**

Kevin Cullen, Principal, High School North

Thomas Olausen, Principal, High School South

We recognize and commend the following students for achieving the highest and most coveted award in scouting during the 2022-2023 school year, the rank of Eagle Scout. We are proud of your accomplishments and recognize your commitment to service and hard work.

Shawn Carroll, Middletown High School North  
Matthew Kiernan, Middletown High School North  
Nicholas Madden, Middletown High School South  
Joseph Marcovecchio, Middletown High School North  
Thomas Melough, Middletown High School North  
Daniel Pitzer, Middletown High School North  
Matthew Poandl, Middletown High South  
Sean Sanpietro, Middletown High School South  
Gregory Stanley, Middletown High School North  
Teodoro Valentino, High School South  
Nicholas Zito, Middletown High School South

### **Recognition of Seal of Biliteracy Award**

Charlene O'Hagan, District Director for Human Resources

The Seal of Biliteracy seeks to encourage students to study languages by certifying attainment of biliteracy that recognizes that an individual has attained a certain level of proficiency in two or more languages. Evidence of biliteracy provides employers with a method of identifying people with language and biliteracy skills.

Additionally, universities incorporate this recognition to award academic credit to applicants seeking admission. Language proficiency strengthens inter-group relationships, affirms the value of diversity, and honors the multiple cultures and language of a community.

We are proud of the Middletown students who achieved the Seal of Biliteracy and the teachers and administrators who facilitated and supported the initiative.

Angel Aponte-Aguirre, Middletown High School North

Clementine Arnou, Middletown High School South

Sophia Bojko, Middletown High School South

Alexia Cervantes, Middletown High School North

Alfredo David Diaz Salvador, Middletown High School North

Jacob Gutsin, Middletown High School South

Animesh Jadhav, Middletown High School North

Emily Kane, Middletown High School South

Michelle Lisser, Middletown High School North

Christopher Mangan, Middletown High School North

Daniel Pitzer, Middletown High School North

Katherine Rand, Middletown High School South

Riley Salus, Middletown High School North

Anthony Santilli, Middletown High School South

Michael Simoniello, Middletown High School South

Litzi Soriano, Middletown High School South

Francesca Stella, Middletown High School South

Natalia Tevar, Middletown High School North

Lucas Vanzelli, Middletown High School South

**Recognition of High School North and High School South SAT 700-800 Club**

Jessica Alfone, Assistant Superintendent, Curriculum and Instruction

We congratulate and commend the following students for achieving membership in the SAT 700-800 Club during the past school year. They scored at least a 700 on any or all sections or subject area test of the College Board SAT's. With their exemplary performance on the SAT test, they will join their fellow members of the SAT 700-800 Club. We are proud of our High School North and High School South juniors and seniors who have achieved this honor.

Avery Adamo	Jake Greenwald	Christian Osowski
Lucas Ainbinder	Grace Gulick	George Parauda
Andrei Avram	Marilyn Halpin	Ishika Patel
Thomas Belinski	Charli Higgins	Stephanie Percello
Julie Bloodgood	David Hussey	Jack Prendergast
Sophia Bojko	Jeffrey Keagy	Katherine Rand
Thomas Briggs	Daniel Kobilas	Melissa Rich
Megan Brodfuhrer	Ilyana Kunzer	Christopher Rinaldi
Nicholas Burniewicz	Sai Abhinav Ledalla	Christian Sanford
Hannah Caruso	Sean Lieneck	Anthony Santilli
Madison Cheek	Marcos Lopez	Jennifer Schuster
Stephen Citranglo	Rex Magistrado	Ava Stavola
Jake Czwakiel	Christopher Mangan	Julie Stavola
Ava D'Ambrosi	Ada Meyer	Emelie Thollesson
Victoria D'Avino	Matthew Monachino	Matthew Tujague
Juliette DeHanes	Michael Nagle	Logan Usilton
Michael Flynn	Matthew Novak	Lucas Vanzelli
Sean Foreback	Evan O'Hara	Adriana Whelan
Ella Gigante	Skyler O'Keefe	Sean Willi
Ethan Good	Tyler O'Keefe	Lexi Ziobro

## **Recognition of Student Athletes**

Rich Carroll, Athletic Director

The Board of Education commends our high school student-athletes who achieved All-Shore recognition during the winter season. We recognize the following student-athletes and their coaches for their successful seasons and for bringing honor and pride to their school and our district.

### **Recognition of All-Shore Student Athletes**

#### **Swimming**

Coach Denise Skinner, High School South

Amelia Obszarny, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore Swimming

#### **Indoor Track & Field**

Coach Nick Wright, High School South

Coaches Ray Convey and Brock Silvestri, High School North

Maddie Hussey, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore  
Caden Cerminara, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore  
Jack Chenoweth, Middletown High School North, 1st Team All Shore

#### **Ice Hockey**

Coach Andrew Rosenbloom, High School South

Coach Don Wood, High School North

Lucas Campos, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore  
Luke Chrzan, Middletown High School North, 1st Team All Shore  
Ryan Cook, Middletown High School North, 1st Team All Shore

#### **Wrestling**

Coach Anton Atterbury, High School South

Coach Eric Morley, High School North

Jack Zaleski, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore  
Caitlin O'Reilly, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore  
Thea Rowland, Middletown High School South, 1st Team All Shore  
Brady Klinsky, Middletown High School North, 1st Team All Shore  
David Hussey, Middletown High School South, 2nd Team All Shore

**Basketball**

Coach James Cranwell, High School South

Pat Brown, Middletown High School South, 3rd Team All Shore

**Bowling**

Coach Ryan McCabe, High School South

Caitlyn Milczarski, Middletown High School South, 2nd Team All Shore