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Zhang, of Tenafly High School, tops for women in tech

Tenafly High School junior Kathy Zhang has been named a 2022 National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT) Aspirations in Computing (AiC) award recipient.

Zhang was selected from more than 3,500 applicants.

The award, powered by the National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT), honors women, genderqueer, and non-binary students, grades 9–12, for their computing-related achievements and interests, and encourages them to pursue their passions.

Award recipients are selected based on their aptitude and aspirations in technology and computing, as demonstrated by their computing experience, computing-related activities, leadership experience,



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tenacity in the face of barriers to access, and plans for post-secondary education.

Each recipient will receive recognition and prizes: induction into the AiC Community of more than 22,000 women, genderqueer, or non-binary technologists; access to resources, scholarships, and internship opportunities; and more.

"Encouraging all students' interest in technology careers is critical: our workforce needs their creativity and unique perspectives to produce technology that is as broad and innovative as the population it serves," said NCWIT CEO and co-founder Lucy Sanders.

With a strong passion for robotics and environmental science, Zhang dedicated her time to developing autonomous robots that addresses pollution and emergency rescue causes during the Covid-19 quarantine.

She has won first place category awards at NJRSF and NJAS, and first place for poster presentation in JSJSS, for her research.

Aside from science research, Zhang also enjoys volunteering for the community. Amid the pandemic she formed and served as director of operations of MFANJ, the New Jersey branch of a youth-led nonprofit organization that donates handmade masks to in-need communities.

In school, she is also an active member of MEDLIFE. She aspires

to continue studying engineering and computer science and pursue engineering as a career.

For more information, visit nowit.org or the New Jersey affiliate website, aspirations.org/affiliate/newjersey. For more information, visit tenafly-schools.org/this or contact Christine Corliss, communications manager, at (201)-816-4554 or ccorliss@tenafly.k12.nj.us.

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Individuals aged 12 and older who are moderately to severely immunocompromised who received a previous booster dose

and booster dose of Pfizer or Moderna. Individuals aged 18 and older who received a primary dose and a previous booster dose of the Johnson & Johnson vaccine at least four months ago are eligible

for a booster today at covid19.nj.gov/finder or call (855) 568-0545.

It's especially important to get tested if you are feeling sick or have been in close contact