



Graduation 2021

HENDRICK HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT SOUNDINGS

BUCHANAN-VERPLANCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL • FRANK G. LINDSEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL • FURNACE WOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL
• BLUE MOUNTAIN MIDDLE SCHOOL • HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL

Two at the Top: Hen Hud's 2021 Valedictorian Madison Kivel and Salutatorian Indrani Malhotra

During the commencement ceremony for the Class of 2021, both Valedictorian Madison Kivel and Salutatorian Indrani Malhotra reflected on the challenges of the past year in their addresses. However, they placed a much greater emphasis on all of the positive experiences they've enjoyed as they both progressed through the Hendrick Hudson School District since entering as kindergarteners.

Madison spoke about being very shy when she first stepped into a classroom at Furnace Woods, but that with the encouragement of her teachers, she began to grow out of her shell. Moving on to middle and high school, her friends, teachers, family members and experiences "morphed me into who I am today. I am no longer the quiet little girl in the corner of the show and tell group, but I am now the proud young woman standing before all of you today, as we celebrate the growth and change of this group as a whole."

A lifelong animal lover, Madison will head to Cornell this fall, where she will study animal science, on the pre-veterinary track. She hopes to ultimately attend veterinary school at Cornell as well.

During her years at Hendrick Hudson High School, Madison was a member of the National Honor Society, Math Honor

Society and Hispanic Honor Society and was involved in numerous clubs and school organizations, including the SEED Fundraising Club, Green Team Conservation Club, The Anchor (school newspaper) and HOSA (Health Occupation Students of America). She was also a member of the school's varsity ski team.



Valedictorian Madison Kivel



Salutatorian Indrani Malhotra

Indrani will attend Boston University in September, where she hopes to double major in International Relations and Environmental Analysis and Policy. She is considering a future career in an environmental advocacy or diplomacy-related field.

She, too, described being a shy student upon entering kindergarten and said that Hen Hud's nurturing, supportive atmosphere was something that enabled her to make friends, thrive academically and ultimately discover her passions, such as theater and the environment.

"The network of encouragement I have found with friends, teachers and the entirety of Hendrick Hudson has allowed me to learn and grow each and every day, and I feel has truly prepared me for the future," she said.

Indrani was involved in many extracurricular clubs and activities during her time at Hendrick Hudson High School,

◆ *Continued on page 2*

Hendrick Hudson's 2021 Retirees

At the June 16 Board of Education meeting, the annual retiree celebration took place virtually. As always, it was bittersweet, as administrators shared insights about the retirees and the retirees themselves shared what they will miss the most about Hen Hud in a slideshow. We wish all of them the very best as they embark on this new phase of their lives!

THE 2021 RETIREES ARE:

Zainab Akbar

Teacher Aide, FWS

Mark Bjornson

Mathematics Teacher, BMMS

Sandra Cotic

Chauffeur

Heather Gillis

Elementary Teacher, FWS

Thomas Keesler

Chauffeur

Donna Miller

Elementary Teacher, BMMS

Denise Rose

Teaching Assistant, FWS

William Small

Chauffeur

Brian Sullivan

Custodian/Bus Driver

Allen Templeton

Head Custodian, FWS

Jill Wheeler

Administrative Assistant, HHHS

Two at the Top: Hen Hud's 2021 Valedictorian Madison Kivel and Salutatorian Indrani Malhotra

Continued from page 1

including the Drama Club, The Anchor, Class of 2021 Club and Destination Imagination. She was also a member of the school's ski team.

In addition to excelling in the classroom, both Madison and Indrani have continually been active in the community, giving their time to a variety of organizations and causes. Madison has spent time volunteering with Guiding Eyes for the Blind and Recycled Paws, tutored students in mathematics and participated in Midnight Run. Indrani was a member of the Hendrick Hudson Leos (the junior chapter of the Cortlandt Lions Club) and served as a volunteer at Sky Blue Stables, working with special needs teenagers in the organization's therapeutic riding program.

As they look ahead to life after Hen Hud, the reality of what they experienced during this unprecedented, final year in the district is something both say they will take with them.

"The pandemic truly has shaped each and every one of us in a unique way," said Madison. "As we are finally nearing the end, I am relieved, but thankful that I was given this time, for it gave me the opportunity to experience things I never thought I would in my life, and to see how incredibly well the community was able to come together to support each other as we faced this major obstacle."

"If the past year has taught us anything, it's that life can change in an instant," said Indrani. "To both my fellow graduates and underclassmen, I would say to make the best of every moment, take advantage of every opportunity, and do the things that make you happy, in high school, college and beyond, because you never know what life might throw at you next."

How to Find Us



On the Web:

www.henhudschools.org



On Twitter:

@HenHudSupt



On Facebook:

Hendrick Hudson School District



In the News:

Daily Voice, LoHud, The Examiner, The Gazette, Patch

Hendrick Hudson HS Graduates: Where Are They Heading?

Adirondack Community College	Iona College	SUNY Oneonta
Alfred University	Keene State College	SUNY Oswego
Arizona State University - Phoenix	Lasell College	SUNY Purchase
Arizona State University-Tempe	Lincoln Land Community College	Syracuse University
Barry University	Manhattan College	Tarrant County College
Bentley University	Manhattanville College	Texas A&M University
Berklee College of Music	Marist College	Union College
Binghamton University	Marymount Manhattan College	University at Albany, SUNY
Boston College	Mercy College	University at Buffalo
Boston University	Molloy College	University of California-Davis
Brown University	Northeastern University	University of Colorado Boulder
Citadel Military College of South Carolina	Pennsylvania State University	University of Connecticut
The City University of New York - CUNY	Roberts Wesleyan College	University of Delaware
Collin College - Plano Campus	Rochester Institute of Technology	University of Hartford
Columbia University	Sacred Heart University	University of Maryland
Cornell University	Siena College	University of Massachusetts Amherst
Culinary Institute of America	St. Bonaventure University	University of Miami
CUNY City College	St. John's University	University of Pittsburgh
CUNY Macaulay Honors College	Stockton University	University of Redlands
CUNY Queens College	Stony Brook University	University of Rhode Island
Daytona State College	SUNY Broome Community College	University of Scranton
Eastern Michigan University	SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry	University of South Carolina
Elon University	SUNY Brockport	University of Tampa
Fordham University	SUNY Canton	University of Virginia
Gettysburg College	SUNY Cobleskill	Westchester Community College
Hofstra University	SUNY Cortland	Western Connecticut State University
	SUNY Fredonia	Wilkes University
	SUNY New Paltz	WyoTech

2021 Commencement Photo Gallery



2021 Commencement Photo Gallery



2020-21 Hen Hud Athletic Highlights

- ★ 101 Student-athletes achieved All-League status
- ★ 32 Student-athletes achieved All-Section status
- ★ 11 Track and Field athletes were Class B Section One Champions
- ★ Girls Lacrosse was the Section One Class C Champion
- ★ Girls Cross Country was the Putnam Northern Westchester Section One Champion
- ★ Cheerleading was the Putnam Northern Westchester Section One Champion
- ★ 27 varsity teams were recognized by New York State as Scholar-Athlete teams
- ★ Two Con Edison Award winners in the Class of 2021 (Isolde McManus and Zoe Rose)
- ★ 19 members of the Class of 2021 will be playing a college sport
- ★ 7 teams won League Championships:
 - ▶ Girls Cross Country
 - ▶ Boys Basketball
 - ▶ Girls Indoor Track
 - ▶ Boys Indoor Track
 - ▶ Girls Outdoor Track
 - ▶ Boys Tennis
 - ▶ Girls Lacrosse



Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2021

Megan Abatemarco

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Scholar Athlete Award

Adam Acevedo

High Honor Roll 13 Times

Diana Alvarez

Honor Roll 13 Times
Irwin J. Mayer Memorial Award

Robert Arellano

Sailor Pride Award
Stockton University, Tuition Scholarship, Stockton
Scholarship

Chanse Artope

Clara Montague Memorial Football Scholarship
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
Business/Computer Award
Student Advocacy-Overcoming the Odds Award
Tom Bertoline Memorial Award

Nataly Aucapina

ELL Outstanding Tutor Award

Surya Baskaran

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Athletic Department Leadership Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Scholar Athlete Award

Kerann Belvu

Athletic Department Award
Varsity Club Award

Jeffrey Bernstein

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Buchanan-Verplanck Elementary School PTA Alumni
Scholarship
Hendrick Hudson High School English Award
Hendrick Hudson Lions Club Sarah F. Donovan Scholarship
Honor Roll 13 Times
Irwin J. Mayer Memorial Award
New York State Comptroller Achievement Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to French
Award
Syracuse University, Dean's Scholarship

Jessica Bleakley

Hendrick Hudson Athletic Department Dedication Award

Nicholas Bleakley

Hendrick Hudson SEPTA Scholarship
New York State Attorney General Barbara Underwood Triple
"C" Award

Betsabe Bonilla Farfan

CSEA Unit 9162 Scholarship Award
Honor Roll 13 Times
Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce Vocational
Scholarship

Taylor Breeding

Hendrick Hudson Athletic Department Dedication Award
Honor Roll 13 Times
University of Rhode Island, Presidential Scholarship

Peter Burke

Siena College, Siena Presidential Scholarship, St. Francis
Scholarship

Shannon Burke

Honor Roll 13 Times
Sailor Pride Award
University of Massachusetts Amherst, Chancellor's Award

Donovan Burns

Honor Roll 13 Times
Sailor Pride Award

Eoin Clarke

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence

Rowan Connors

Arizona State University, Dean's Scholarship
Hendrick Hudson French Honor Society Award

Christopher Connolly

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Frank G. Lindsey PTA Alumni Scholarship
Honor Roll 13 Times
Irwin J. Mayer Memorial Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Community Spirit Award
Union College, Presidential Scholarship

Jessie Corbett

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Honor Roll 13 Times

Continued on page 8

Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2021

Continued from page 7

Ryan Coulson

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Honor Roll 13 Times

Alexis Crawford

Parent Teacher Student Association Graduation Award

Cameron Curley

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Honor Roll 13 Times

James DeFilippis

Honor Roll 13 Times
Irwin J. Mayer Participation Award

Amanda Desharnais

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Hendrick Hudson Educational Secretaries Association
Scholarship
Hendrick Hudson Hispanic Honor Society Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Seal of Biliteracy, Spanish
Woman's Club of Peekskill-Cortlandt Award

Madeline Donnelly

Frank G. Lindsey PTA Alumni Scholarship
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Richard Albert Family Foundation Scholarship

Alexander Dyer

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Hendrick Hudson French Honor Society Award
Honor Roll 13 Times

Eliza Falk

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Ema S. K. Price Music Award
HHCEF Scholarship Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Choral Award
Performing Arts Award

Molly Gibson

American Association of University Women
Outstanding Student Award
Athletic Department Award
Hendrick Hudson Education Association Scholarship
Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to
English Award
Parents Committee on Music and Arts Scholarship - Music
Seal of Biliteracy, Spanish

Joshua Gillison

Hendrick Hudson Athletic Department Dedication Award
Manhattanville College, Provost's Scholarship

Frank Godino

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Hendrick Hudson Hall of Fame Scholarship
HHCEF Scholarship Award
Physical Education Award
Principal's Award
Vincent Verdeschi Memorial Award

Eitan Goldman

High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
the Study of French Award

Madison Gough

Honor Roll 13 Times

Thomas Hamm

Honor Roll 13 Times
Rochester Institute of Technology, RIT Presidential
Scholarship

Katelyn Hartigan

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
High Honor Roll 13 Times
New York State Comptroller Achievement Award

Nicholas Hiltzley

Frank G. Lindsey PTA Alumni Scholarship
Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to
Business Award
Rotary Athlete of the Year

Continued on page 9

Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2021

Continued from page 8

Ryan Hunt

Lasell University, Lasell University Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Graduation Award

Maxim Iodice

The Christine "Chris" Guadagno Scholarship

Kami Johannsen

Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
Social Studies Award

Avery Johnsen

Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to Art Award

Sophia Justo

Honor Roll 13 Times

Jack Kapfer

Hendrick Hudson Athletic Department Dedication Award

Madison Kivel

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Cortlandt Community Volunteer Ambulance Corps Kathy
Stewart Scholarship
High Honor Roll 13 Times
HOSA Healthcare-related Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
Math Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Award to the
Valedictorian
Peekskill Rotary Club Outstanding Student

Kamryn LaRocque

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Cortlandt Engine Company #1 Ladies Auxiliary Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
This Is Me Scholarship

Daniela Lastras-Castrejon

Hendrick Hudson French Honor Society Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
Science Award
Scholar Athlete Award
SUNY Albany Science Research Certificate of Recognition

Michael Lee

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Athletic Department Service Award
Hendrick Hudson French Honor Society Award
Honor Roll 13 Times
Patriotic Service Community Award

Jakob Lentino

Douglas Mowbray Art Award
Honor Roll 13 Times
Vincent Verdeschi Memorial Award

Noah Lipton

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Honor Roll 13 Times

Michael Mahoney

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Honor Roll 13 Times

Victoria Malaspina

Frank G. Lindsey PTA Alumni Scholarship
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to
Italian Award
Seal of Bilingualism, Italian
Sunshine Faculty Award

Indrani Malhotra

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Award to the Salutatorian
Peekskill Rotary Club Outstanding Student

Sarah Mandelkow

Athletic Department Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Tech Center Award
Scholar Athlete Award

Alyssa Margiotta

Let It Shine Scholarship
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to Social
Studies Award
This Is Me Scholarship

Continued on page 10

Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2021

Continued from page 9

Matthew Mason

Buchanan Senior Citizens Scholarship Award
Culinary Institute of America, CIA Excellence Award, CIA
Recognition Award, CIA Early Application Award
Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Orchestra Award

Margaret McCluskey

Buchanan Engine Company Annual Scholarship
Honor Roll 13 Times

Joshua McCord

Parent Teacher Student Association ESL Award

Elizabeth McDowell

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
C.V. Starr Scholarship
Furnace Woods Elementary School PTA Alumni Scholarship
Hendrick Hudson SEPTA Scholarship #2
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Northeastern University, Dean's Scholarship
Physical Education Award
Principal's Award
Robert J. Hill Memorial Scholarship Award
Sailor Pride Award
Scholar Athlete Award
This Is Me Scholarship

Fiona McGovern

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Buchanan-Verplanck Elementary School PTA Alumni
Scholarship
Hendrick Hudson Hispanic Honor Society Award
Hendrick Hudson Lions Club Sarah F. Donovan Scholarship
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Margaret McCorry Memorial Scholarship
Scholar Athlete Award
Seal of Biliteracy, Spanish
Thomas L. Fedele Dedication to Success Award
Tom Bertoline Memorial Award

Isolde McManus

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Athletic Department Leadership Award
Brown University, NROTC Scholarship
Con Edison Scholar Athlete
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
English Award
Scholar Athlete Award
William Stern Post #70 Jewish War Veterans of U.S.

Ayslynn Merando

Student Advocacy - Overcoming the Odds Award
This Is Me Scholarship

Kaitlin Merna

Judith C. Armisto Scholarship

Katherine Mora

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Math Honor Society Senior Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Band Award

Grace Moretti

Ed Carter Memorial Award
Hendrick Hudson Hall of Fame Scholarship
Henry Bethea Perseverance Award
Honor Roll 13 Times

Shayne Naley

Honor Roll 13 Times

Nhat-Dinh Nguyen

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Hendrick Hudson Hispanic Honor Society Award
Vincent Verdeschi Memorial Award

Stephanie Nogueira

Parent Teacher Student Association Art Academic
Excellence Award

Vincent O'Connor

CSEA Unit 9162 Scholarship Award

Madison O'Hara

High Honor Roll 13 Times
Irwin J. Mayer Memorial Award
The University of Tampa, UT Merit Scholarship

Continued on page 11

Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2021

Continued from page 10

Luke O'Neill

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence

Aidan O'Sullivan

Henry Bethea Perseverance Award

Olivia Pace

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Honor Roll 13 Times
Patriotic Service Community Award

Isabelle Paul

Hendrick Hudson High School 3D Art Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Band Award
Parents Committee on Music and Arts Scholarship - Art

Olivia Paul

Hendrick Hudson High School Digital Media Class Award

Nicole Pearson

High Honor Roll 13 Times

Parker Piccolo Hill

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Frank G. Lindsey PTA Alumni Scholarship
Hendrick Hudson Italian Honor Society Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Seal of Bilingualism, Italian

Claire Popolizio

Irwin J. Mayer Participation Award
University of Rhode Island, University Scholarship

Maria Porokhina

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Cheryl R. Lindenbaum Memorial Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Michael "Big Mike" Sellazzo Scholarship

Maya Ramirez

Marist College, Marist College Scholarship

Jeremy Rench

Athletic Department Award
Honor Roll 13 Times

Zoe Rose

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Con Edison Scholar Athlete
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Hudson Valley Gateway Chamber of Commerce
Academic Scholarship
Marcia Bailey Scholarship
Parent Teacher Student Association Award to the
3rd Ranking Senior
Scholar Athlete Award
Seal of Bilingualism, Spanish
Vincent Verdeschi Memorial Award

Vanessa Rossi

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Hendrick Hudson Italian Honor Society Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to
Math Award
Scholar Athlete Award
The Malcolm A. Bump Award for Excellence in Debate

Ava Ruggiero

Honor Roll 13 Times

Victoria Scrusse

Cortlandt Engine Company #1 Ladies Auxiliary Award
Honor Roll 13 Times
Seal of Bilingualism, French
The University of Scranton, Arrupe Scholarship

Alexandra Simonetti

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
High Honor Roll 13 Times
University of Delaware, UD Presidential Scholarship

Alessandra Smith

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
American Association of University Women Excellence
in Writing Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Orchestra Award

Sara Michelle Soto

Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication
to Spanish Award

Olivia Spitz

High Honor Roll 13 Times

Continued on page 12

Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2021

Continued from page 11

Hannah Stout

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Diane Tangen Scholarship Award
Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication
to Science Award

Olivia Taylor

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
Athletic Department Service Award
Hendrick Hudson High School Historical Award
Hendrick Hudson Italian Honor Society Award
High Honor Roll 13 Times
Parent Teacher Student Association Choral Award
Performing Arts Award
Scholar Athlete Award
Seal of Bilingual, Italian

Ryan Travis

Richard DiTomasso Memorial Football Award
Wilkes University, Provost Scholarship, Out of State Award

Michael Vaccaro

Honor Roll 13 Times

Kira Varada

Rotary Athlete of the Year

Angie Vasquez

Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
the Study of Spanish Award
Seal of Bilingual, Spanish

Rafe Wilkinson

2021 President's Award for Educational Excellence
High Honor Roll 13 Times

Evelyn Zhinin

Parent Teacher Student Association Graduation Award

Jessica Zhinin

ELL Outstanding Tutor Award
Furnace Woods Elementary School PTA Alumni Scholarship
Parent Teacher Student Association Academic Excellence in
the Study of Italian Award
Seal of Bilingual, Italian

Matthew Zoller

Alfred University, Jonathan Allen Scholarship
Parent Teacher Student Association Graduation Award



Blue Mountain Middle School Awards

- All Are for 8th Grade -

YEARBOOK COVER AWARD

Winner: Raine Parker

**Runners Up: Kiely Morley, Magda Przyblywska,
Lux Pzyna, Catherine Wright**

8TH GRADE NYSSMA PARTICIPANTS

Greta Arnold, piano

Ember Bates, flute

Simon Eichenholtz, bassoon

Alec Elkin, voice

Sophia Jimdar, violin

Kelly Krupa, viola

Paulina Lastras-Castrejon, clarinet and voice

Nava Minichino, voice

Raine Parker, piano, voice

Monica Rocha, flute

Gabriel Sotomayor, piano

HIGH HONOR ROLL - ALL THREE YEARS

Rhylee Adviento

Ashley Azzaro

Ember Bates

Angelina Conticello

Simon Eichenholtz

Alec Elkin

Nathan Freedman

Gianna Gagliardi

Gianni Gomez

Oakley Gougelmann

Cameron Haynes

Bryan Heindl

Michelle Holness

Jewel Jiang

Sophia Jimdar

Kelly Krupa

Paulina Lastras-Castrejon

Connor Leach

Castalia Litos

Lucy Mager

Carmen Marino

Zachary Massy

Aidan Mazzoni

Kiara Mendez

Paige Montgomery

Kiely Morley

Raine Parker

Dean Pastolove

Lena Pfeiffer

Magda Przyblywska

Marin Quigley

Bryan Rafferty

Kaitlyn Raguso

Nicholas Rinaldi

Monica Rocha

Sean Ryan

Alexander Soltowski

Sebastian Sotom

Gabriel Sotomayor

Sydney Willkehr

Catherine Wright



Hendrick Hudson High School - 2021 Commencement

It was a tumultuous year, but everything went like clockwork in the end. On a warm, sunny evening on June 24, to enthusiastic cheers and applause from family and friends, the 196 members of the Hendrick Hudson High School Class of 2021 crossed the stage on the new turf field to receive their diplomas, officially capping their high school careers.

Following the processional to “Pomp and Circumstance” and welcome remarks by Assistant Principal Anthony Giovinazzi, senior members of the high school’s Treble Makers sang the national anthem. The graduating seniors took their seats in the bleachers, while family members looked on from socially distanced seating on the field.

“Although their years at Hendrick Hudson were interrupted by a global pandemic, all of our candidates for graduation have shown tremendous grit and have made it to this point despite the significant challenges they have faced,” said Principal James Mackin in his opening address. “I know I speak for your families and the entire staff when I say how very proud we are of each and every one of you.”

He stressed the importance of making the most of the time we are given, encouraging the students to “be positive, work hard and challenge yourself to achieve the greatness you are all capable of. Spend your time pursuing your dreams and enjoying your life, never settling for anything less.”

The class of 2021 is “full of drive, passion, confidence and spirit,” said Salutatorian Indrani Malhotra. “Our entire lives are ahead of us. And we’re ready for it.”

In her remarks, Valedictorian Madison Kivel encouraged her classmates to live in the present. “Don’t rush time. Don’t wish that a moment would speed up, or even waste time wishing it would slow down. Live in the moment. Take it all in, because for the past four years, we have all been waiting for this exact moment.”

Superintendent Joseph Hochreiter reflected on the past school year, both the challenges and the opportunities, and praised the students for their resilience. “You overcame social distancing and quarantines; navigated family matters and friendships remotely; and learned while you were alone and when you were together, even at six feet apart.”

Board of Education president Carol Abraham praised the students and reminded them of their own strength. “Congratulations on persevering through all of the obstacles placed in front of you, not just the past two years, but throughout your schooling. You are Sailors. We know you’ll do great things.”

The 2021 graduates, in alphabetical order:

Megan Reid Abatamarco, Adam Anthony Acevedo, Olivia Albers, Diana Elizabeth Alvarez, Heaven Angel, Robert Nicholas Arellano, Chanse Artope, Nataly Susana Aucapina, Surya Baskaran, Kerann Yoland Belvu, Jeffrey T. Bernstein, Ava Bisordi-Potter, Jessica P. Bleakley, Nicholas P. Bleakley, Betsabe Bonilla Farfan, Taylor Anne Breeding, Logan Raymond Breneman-Pennas, Shamel Brown, Gabriella Rose Burke, Peter F. Burke, Shannon K. Burke, Donovan J. Burns, David A. Buscetto, Giovanni Cardona, Sean P. Carroll, Nicholas Cepeda, Jenna Kristyn Chiappalone, Eoin Clarke, Rowan S. Conners, Christopher Michael Connolly, Jessie Corbett, Caroline L. Coronel, Corey Cothren-Seger, Declan Couch, Ryan T. Coulson, Alexis Patricia Crawford, Cameron Curley, Josiah Davis, James Michael DeFilippis, Amanda M. Desharnais, Iliana Done, Madeline Rose Donnelly, Megan Driver, Alexander Dyer, Diane Emerson, Jose Erazo, Eliza S. Falk, Rebecca Fareed, Sean Feighery, Sharron Felder, Stuart Fray, Andre R. Garcia, Rachel J. Garcia-Culcay, Molly Elizabeth Gibson, Avianna M. Gilleo, Joshua Gillison, Amanda G. Giordano, Andrew Giordano, Frank Joseph Godino, Eitan Joseph Goldman, Daniel L. Goncalves, Madison Gough, Abaigeal Grogan, Aidan Joseph Grosso, Thomas John Hamm, Connor Hanley, Dylan J. Hanney, Joshua D. Hanney, Katelyn Elizabeth Hartigan, Lisbeth C. Hernandez, Bobby Hicks, Ian Lazarus Hilterbrand, Nicholas Hiltzley, Narias A. Hughes, Ryan J. Hunt, Orion Ijeh, Maxim H. Iodice, Kami Johannsen, Avery Johnsen, Sophia Justo, Jack S. Kapfer, Nicholas Kelly, Maggie K. Kid, Madison Alexandra Kivel, Kyle Koski, Shu Yan Lai, Joseph J. Lainfiesta, Kamryn Christine LaRocque, Daniela Lastras-Castrejon, Michael Suhn-Ho Lee, Jordan M. Lent, Jakob Lentino, Zorka M. Lipovac, Noah Jack Lipton, Natalia Lisboa, Michael Mahoney, Victoria M. Malaspina, Indrani Elizabeth Malhotra, Rose L. Mallozzi, Sarah Grace Mandelkew, Alyssa R. Margiotta, Maia Markovitch, Matthew James Mason, Vanessa Matero, Margaret A. McCluskey, Joshua Ian Mc Cord, Elizabeth Katherine McDowell, Benjamin Michael McFadden, Fiona McGovern, Sean McIntyre, Isolde McManus, Randi Mendel, Ayslynn Merando, Kaitlin Mary Merna, James Illarius Mickelsen, Ariana Taylor Mikaya, Hope K. Minichino, Cameron Montalbano, Katherine G. Mora Orrala, Grace Moretti, Joel Morillo, Shayne Naley, Joshua Nelson, Nhat-Dinh Nguyen, Stephanie M. Nogueira, Salim Nuwesra, Vincent Robert O’Connor, Madison Isabelle O’Hara, Morgan O’Hara, Luke O’Neill, Olivia Pace, Montana Page, Christian Panza, Matthew G. Paolucci, Steven Paredes, Shirley Daniela Parra Garcia, Isabelle J. Paul, Olivia Ann Paul, Veronica Paul, Michelle Pavlik, Nicole Pearson, Parker Piccolo Hill, Christopher N. Pieratos, Alesandro Giovanni Polzella, Claire L. Popolizio, Maria Porokhina, Audrey Puente, Kevin Quinde, Maya Elena Ramirez, Jeremy A. Rench, Ariston A. Rivera, Andrew S. Rochelle, Brandon Rodriguez, Michael J. Rooney, Zoë Galadriel Rose, Vanessa Claire Rossi, Ava Cecelia Ruggiero, Erika Sacasari, Salena Salameh, Russell Salazar, Brian Sanmartin, Yeida Santos, Joselyn Sarmiento, Delia Mae Schmitt, Cassidy Elizabeth Scott, Victoria Scuse, Luke N. Selnekovic, Luigi C. Serino Jr., Jacob Shamash, Alexandra L. Simonetti, Alexis Sinistovic, Adam Slinsky, Alessandra Smith, Sarah-Michelle A. Soto, Olivia Hallie Spitz, Michael Stiloski, Hannah Stout, Dylan B. Strothers, Olivia N. Taylor, Annika Thyrré, Peter Tompkins, Laisha B. Torres, Ryan H. Travis, Michael Joseph Vaccaro, Kira Varada, Angie Priscila Vasquez, Brandon S. Velasquez, Jonathan Villagomez, Olivia Ellice Villanueva, Edward G. Wardrop, Katherine Rose Warner, Rafe S. Wilkinson, Kendall Ann Zern, Evelyn N. Zhinin, Jessica Marisol Zhinin, Matthew Brandon Zoller



HENDRICK HUDSON SCHOOL DISTRICT ADMINISTRATION

BOARD OF EDUCATION

Carol P. Abraham, *President*
 Lisa Anderson, *Vice President*
 Jennifer Bakker
 Alexis Bernard
 Cory Notrica
 William Oricchio
 Alixandra Philbin

Laura G. Neier
Executive Director of Educational Support Services

Lisa Schuchman
Executive Director of Pupil Personnel Services

Thomas Baker
Director of Athletics

DISTRICT ADMINISTRATORS

Joseph E. Hochreiter
Superintendent of Schools
 Enrique Catalan
Assistant Superintendent for Business
 Dr. Margaret Ruller
Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction

Anthony Merlini
Director of School Facilities, Operations and Maintenance

Elizabeth Gilleo
Supervisor of Transportation

Clare Carey
Food Services Director

CONTACTING US IS EASY

DISTRICT OFFICE BUILDING

61 Trolley Road
 Montrose, NY 10548
 (914) 257-5100

BUCHANAN-VERPLANCK ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

160 Westchester Avenue
 Buchanan, NY 10511
 (914) 257-5400

FRANK G. LINDSEY ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

57 Trolley Road
 Montrose, NY 10548
 (914) 257-5500

FURNACE WOODS ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

239 Watch Hill Road
 Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567
 (914) 257-5600

BLUE MOUNTAIN MIDDLE SCHOOL

7 Furnace Woods Road
 Cortlandt Manor, NY 10567
 (914) 257-5700

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL

2166 Albany Post Road
 Montrose, NY 10548
 (914) 257-5800

HENDRICK HUDSON MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of the Hendrick Hudson School District, a dynamic, innovative, and supportive educational community, is to ensure each student is an engaged, passionate learner who achieves his or her maximum potential and contributes to society. This is accomplished in a system characterized by:



- ◆ A culture of the highest expectations for all;
- ◆ A rigorous, articulated curriculum;
- ◆ Diverse, effective instructional strategies and resources;
- ◆ An educational environment that is challenging, creative, exploratory, accessible, and nurturing; and
- ◆ A fully engaged, supportive community.