



Fairfield College Preparatory School

A Jesuit, Catholic School of Excellence

2023 Book Award Recipients

The **Brown University Book Award** honors a student who best combines academic excellence with clarity in written and spoken expression.

This year's recipient is **Alexander Drienik**.

The **Clarkson University Leadership Award** honors a student who demonstrates strong leadership qualities and positively impacts their school and local community.

This year's recipient is **Brendan James Murphy, Jr.**

The **Clarkson University Achievement Award** honors a student who has a proven academic record.

This year's recipient is **William Reidy**.

The **Columbia University Book Award** honors a student who has shown outstanding academic achievement

This year's recipient is **Luke Trench**.

The **Cornell University Book Award** honors a student who is a good student, an innovative thinker, and a person committed to cultural diversity.

This year's recipient is **Luke Van Dussen**.

The **Dartmouth College Book Award** honors an outstanding student who demonstrates strong character, makes a positive contribution to the school community and is designed to encourage intellectual excellence and recognize student achievement.

This year's recipient is **Kent Costikyan**.

The **Endicott College Book Award** is awarded to a student with a high GPA who exhibits good citizenship and an understanding and appreciation for Endicott's main tenets of internship and applied learning

This year's recipient is **Jude Gussen**.

The **Gettysburg College Book Prize** honors a student who has distinguished himself or herself in the study of American History and demonstrates a dedication to scholarship.

This year's recipient is **Brandon Ukehaxhaj**.

The **Harvard Book Prize** honors a student who displays excellence in scholarship and high character, combined with achievement in other fields.

This year's recipient is **Nathan Moore**.

The **Johns Hopkins Book Award** honors a student who exhibits a demonstrated desire for intellectual and moral growth; an uncommon interest in, and capacity for, independent and original scholarship; and the strength of character necessary to employ the results of their scholarship for the betterment of society.

This year's recipient is **Ethan Farber**.

The **Rensselaer Medal** honors a student who has distinguished themselves in mathematics and science.

This year's recipient is **Matthew Hewitt**.

The **Sacred Heart Book Award** honors a high school junior who has excelled in embracing a vision for social justice and is prepared to make a difference in the global community.

This year's recipient is **Matthew Murphy**.

The **St. Lawrence University Book Award** honors a student who has distinguished themselves in their communities by their significant commitment to community service.

This year's recipient is **William McMahon**.

The **Saint Michael's Book Award for Academic Achievement** honors a student who has earned high academic achievement.

This year's recipient is **Tiankai Huang**.

The **Saint Michael's Book Award for Social Conscience** honors a student who has shown a sustained and sincere commitment to community service, issues of peace and justice and concern for others.

This year's recipient is **Drew Cesaratto**.

The **Tulane Book Award** honors a student who embodies Tulane's motto of "Not for one's self, but for one's own" and have demonstrated excellence in academics, leadership, and public service.

This year's recipient is **Joshua Schumacher**.

The **Bausch + Lomb Honorary Science Award from The University of Rochester** honors a student with high achievement and rigor in science classes and have made positive contributions to their school and within the larger community.

This year's recipient is **Philip Martins**.

The **Frederick Douglass and Susan B. Anthony Award from The University of Rochester** honors a student who demonstrates commitment to understanding and addressing difficult social issues, leadership and dedication to community action, and has earned academic achievement in the humanities and social sciences.

This year's recipient is **Benjamin Hauptman**.

The **Kodak George Eastman Young Leaders Award from The University of Rochester** honors a student who has strong leadership experience at school and in the community and an extensive involvement in extracurricular activities while also showing high academic achievement.

This year's recipient is **Hudson Wingate**.

The **Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology from The University of Rochester** honors a student who has strong interest in innovation and/or information technology and a high level of achievement in this area, has been exposed to new technologies outside of school, such as pursuing serious work opportunities in local laboratories or industry, and leads other students to new approaches to old problems.

This year's recipient is **Kyle Elliott, Jr.**

The **Jefferson Book Award from the University of Virginia** recognizes a student who embraces creativity and innovation and embodies the spirit of discovery, much like the University's founder, Thomas Jefferson, and is a demonstrated citizen leader who works to improve their community locally or globally.

This year's recipient is **Matthew McLeod**.

The **William & Mary Leadership Award** honors a student who is a visible and dynamic leader - a risk-taker, decision-maker, opinion leader, go-getter, bridge-builder and catalyst for change.

This year's recipient is **Kieran Day**.

The **Yale Book Award** honors a student who exhibits outstanding personal character and intellectual promise.
This year's recipient is **Ralfs Viguls**.

This evening, we are also pleased to announce two members of the Class of 2024 who have been named Commended Students in the 2024 National Merit Scholarship Program. These students have demonstrated outstanding potential for academic success through their performance on the 2022 PSAT Qualifying Test.

Fairfield Prep congratulates **Alexander Drienik** and **Luke Van Dussen**.