

# LAMPETER-STRASBURG SCHOOL DISTRICT THE BURROWES SCHOLARS PROGRAM

May 2, 2024

## PRESIDING STUDENTS:

Emory Fluhr, Truman Horst, and Annaliese Sauve, Class of 2025  
*As distinguished Burrowes Scholars, these students will serve as the evening's emcees*

## PROGRAM

Comments: Dr. Andrew M. Godfrey

Music: L-5 High School Blue Jazz Ensemble  
Mr. Larry C. Royer, Director

Saxophones: Drea Rice, Jackson Allison, Katie Pope, Sarah Blount, Kat Geiter  
Trumpets: Bethany Helms, Parker Reinhart, Alex Ruhl, Cole Shehan, Justin Gouger  
Trombones: Truman Horst, Jake Poyer, Ronan Lancaster, Jeimy Elvira-Paredes  
Rhythm: Aiden Flory, Carson Zook, Luke Smith, Owen Dean, Lila Murdock

## PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

### **Fifth Grade**

Dr. Jeffrey T. Smecker, Hans Herr Elementary School Principal  
Mrs. Melissa S. Herr and Mrs. Kristin M. Staley, Board of School Directors

### **Eighth Grade**

Mrs. Alicia C. Kowitz, Martin Meylin Middle School Principal  
Ms. Kelly A. Osborne, Board of School Directors

### **Eleventh Grade**

Dr. Benjamin J. Feeney, Lampeter-Strasburg High School Principal  
Mrs. Kari A. Steinbacher, Board of School Directors

First-time Burrowes Scholars will receive a bronze pin

Second-time Burrowes Scholars will receive a silver pin

Third-time Burrowes Scholars will receive a gold pin



**Zoe Brody**  
Language Arts



**Kyla Burkhart**  
Language Arts



**Marcos Colon**  
Band



**Regan DeCoursey**  
Vocal Music



**Adelyn Dietzel**  
Mathematics



**Scarlett Flaud**  
Physical Education



**Anna Forry**  
Orchestra



**Riley Fraver**  
Language Arts



**Eliana Gipe**  
Language Arts



**Cooper Goff**  
Mathematics

## **HANS HERR ELEMENTARY SCHOOL FIFTH-GRADE BURROWES SCHOLARS**



**Haley Grimm**  
Language Arts



**Caden Herr**  
Mathematics



**Carter Hufford**  
Mathematics



**Nayliana McKinney**  
Language Arts



**Natalisse Ojeda**  
Language Arts



**Arabella Shehan**  
Visual Arts



**Tristan Sokol**  
Mathematics



**Eve Staley**  
Language Arts



**Von Walter**  
Physical Education

**Zoe Brody****Language Arts****Mrs. Kristin Maser**

The Burrowes Scholar award represents academic excellence. It is awarded to a student who makes connections, applies new learning, and then takes things beyond what is expected. Zoe Brody enjoys topics that allow her to probe, question, or debate the merit of an idea. The depth and maturity of her interests are unique.

In addition to more than proficient reading skills, Zoe is a gifted writer who takes on topics beyond her years. Her informational writing was on sexism as presented in the Barbie movie. She also spends much of her free time working on her own writings. Recently, she took characters from the readers' theater we performed in class and wrote her own play. She assigned roles to her classmates, presented a script, and we were able to perform a Zoe Brody original.

Zoe is also advanced in math and a gifted artist. She appreciates the uniqueness of people and art and likes to look at things from a different perspective. The future is bright and wide open for this scholar.

**Kyla Burkhardt****Language Arts****Mrs. Sarah Capoferri**

Kyla Burkhardt is a conscientious, hardworking, and motivated student. She puts her best effort into every task she tackles. Kyla always takes her time when completing her work, rechecking every detail to ensure she puts forth her best effort. She is also extremely insightful, including inferential statements in both conversation and academic work. She is able to understand the viewpoint and hidden meaning behind every text she encounters.

With quiet leadership, Kyla brings out the best in everyone around her. When peers observe her command of academic knowledge, attention to detail, and strong work ethic, they are inspired to perform better themselves. Kyla always has a positive attitude and a caring smile for everyone around her. Her quiet enthusiasm is contagious and helps to create a positive, engaging classroom community.

In addition to her high academic performance, Kyla involves herself in numerous activities in her free time. She plays the French horn and piano, participates in chorus and Girls on the Run, and is heavily involved in church activities. On top of all this, Kyla is a voracious reader and exceptional writer. She always has a book on hand and is currently working on writing her own novel in her free time!

Kyla is truly a remarkable young woman, and she will surely continue to achieve success not only throughout her school years, but also in life. She easily meets and exceeds all of the accomplishments of a Burrowes Scholar.

**Marcos Colon****Elementary Band****Mrs. Heather Ceresini**

The Elementary Band Burrowes Scholar Award goes to a student who demonstrates strong musicianship skills, self-discipline, and a positive work ethic. This year's 2023-2024 Elementary Band Burrowes Scholar is Marcos (Max) Colon. Max is a wonderful, well rounded musician who plays the trumpet beautifully! Max performs with amazing pitch and rhythmic accuracy. His musical ability exceeds that of most fifth-grade students.

Max began playing the trumpet in fourth grade. During his beginning lessons, and now, he has been enthusiastic about improving his own skills, encouraging his peers, and bringing laughter to those around him. Max has excelled at band, demonstrating a high level of musical knowledge and understanding that he is able to apply to any music that is given to him. Each week Max comes to his lessons musically prepared, even when participating in other activities outside of school. Of which, soccer is his favorite! Regardless of his busy schedule, Max has always been dedicated to improving his trumpet skills. Max is a hard working student, who undoubtedly has a musical gift, but he is also humble and gracious in accepting feedback while contributing as an awesome ensemble member. He has inspired many fourth and fifth-grade students to begin learning the trumpet in our elementary band program!

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Max Colon as the 2023-2024 Elementary Band Burrowes Scholar. I look forward to seeing Max in future performances in the L-5 music program!

**Regan DeCoursey****Vocal Music****Mrs. Lori Groff**

In the music classroom, Regan DeCoursey stands out as a leader among her peers. She cheerfully sings, plays instruments, and participates in class discussions. She supports and encourages students around her and asks inquisitive questions to deepen her understanding of music concepts. Regan works hard to achieve the goals set before her.

Regan has sung in the Hans Herr Chorus for two years. As a chorus member, she performed as a soloist, small ensemble member, and instrumentalist. Regan recently performed the national anthem at a L-S Varsity Baseball game with her fifth grade peers. In April, Regan represented our school in the 2024 Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 7 Youth Song Fest. She also participated in the PMEA District 7 Youth Band Fest earlier in the school year.

In addition to vocal music activities, Regan plays the trombone in the Hans Herr Band, plays on a L-S Youth Basketball travel team, and swims year round with the Lancaster Lightning and L-S Otters. This year Regan qualified for the state swimming finals in March.

Congratulations, Regan, on all of your accomplishments!

**Adelyn Dietzel****Mathematics****Ms. Janelle Konkle**

Adelyn is an exceptional, motivated, and positive student. She is the type of student that makes teaching fun! You are always greeted with a smile when you encounter Adelyn. She spreads joy wherever she goes. Adelyn goes above and beyond to ensure quality work in all academic areas. She is a positive role model to her peers and an excellent collaborative partner, providing both encouragement and constructive criticism when needed. Adelyn consistently comes prepared and endures every challenge she faces with a positive attitude. In addition, Adelyn is involved in various extracurricular activities, including softball and orchestra.

While Adelyn excels in all academic areas, mathematics is one area where she goes beyond what is expected. Adelyn demonstrates strategic problem-solving and critical thinking skills in her work and mathematical conversation. She is diligent in not only finding the correct answer, but in understanding the skills and concepts needed to solve the problem. She will not be satisfied with her work until it is completed at a high-quality level. Adelyn's genuine love of learning, positive attitude, and mathematical ability has earned her the title of 2024 Burrowes Scholar! Congratulations Adelyn!

**Scarlett Flaud****Physical Education****Mr. William Valenzo**

The Burrowes Scholar in Elementary Physical Education is awarded to the boy and girl who best exemplify what a model physical education student should be. For the 2023-2024 school year, the elementary physical education department is pleased to award Von Walter and Scarlett Flaud with its Burrowes Scholar Awards.

Von and Scarlett are not only outstanding student athletes, but they are also outstanding young people. They are receiving this award for the exceptional ability, participation, effort, cooperation, and sportsmanship that they display in each and every class. Von and Scarlett come to physical education class each week prepared to learn, try their best, and set a great example for their fellow classmates.

Students at all levels would benefit from having students like Von and Scarlett in their classes. Their skill level and attitude are unmatched and they are ideal role models. They are both students who have the character, work ethic, and ability to accomplish any goals that they set for themselves in life.

For all of these reasons it is indeed a great honor and pleasure to announce Von Walter and Scarlett Flaud as Burrowes Scholars for Elementary Physical Education.

**Anna Forry****Orchestra****Mr. Robert Shaubach**

It is a pleasure to recommend Anna Forry as the 2024 Fifth-Grade Orchestra Burrowes Scholar. Music educators take great joy in providing students with opportunities to grow as musicians and people. A Burrowes scholar is one who has taken full advantage of those opportunities on the basis of one or more outstanding character traits.

Since joining the L-S Orchestra program in fourth grade, Anna has demonstrated musical skill, enthusiasm, and attitude that is exemplary for someone her age. She is consistently and meaningfully involved in class discussions on how to improve individual and group performance skills. In addition, she displays a healthy concern for her fellow musicians and is always willing to collaborate with them for the benefit of all. Anna's musical skills and enthusiasm were on display recently when she was among those who represented the Lampeter-Strasburg orchestra and choral programs at Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 7 String Fest and Song Fest honors ensembles.

While her enthusiasm and positive attitude are contagious, Anna clearly recognizes that excitement alone does not produce results. She understands that music study requires discipline and is willing to put forth the effort to achieve success. In addition to participating in the L-S Orchestra program, Anna dedicates time and effort to private cello instruction.

It is with respect and admiration that I present Anna Forry as the 2024 Fifth-Grade Orchestra Burrowes Scholar.

**Riley Fraver****Language Arts****Mrs. Kelsey Bomberger**

It is with great confidence that I name Riley Fraver a Fifth-Grade Burrowes Scholar in English Language Arts. From an academic standpoint, Riley displays unmatched work ethic, is an avid reader, and is also an advanced writer. She reads above grade level with exquisite accuracy, fluency, and expression. Riley is also meticulous when answering reading questions, continuously returning to the passage to locate text evidence. Her writing pieces, both in the form of text dependent analyses as well as her weekly writing prompts, have proven to be exceptional. She writes with such style, detail, and word choice that it truly captivates the reader. Riley also displays exemplary class participation. She is engaged in class discussions one hundred percent of the time and avidly shares her insight, inferences, and connections to passages read in class.

Riley is not only outstanding academically, but she is also a well-rounded student. From a non-academic standpoint, Riley proves to be the cream of the crop. She is compassionate, humble, and always willing to help. I have the utmost confidence when pairing Riley with a striving classmate that she will assist him or her in the most respectful and authentic way. In addition to Riley's classroom achievements, she has been a participant in two after-school activities this year, Little da Vinci's Art Club and Girls on the Run. All in all, it is evident to both Riley's teachers and peers that her high-quality student skills makes her an excellent Burrowes Scholar.

**Eliana Gipe****Language Arts****Mr. Matthew Hoover**

Eliana comes to the classroom every day with a positive attitude and a desire to learn. She is a pleasure to have in class. Eliana has a sense of humor, exhibits kindness towards her peers, and approaches her work with a sense of urgency. She gives her best to produce the highest quality result. Eliana's attention to detail shines through in English Language Arts. She comprehends text at a high level, while her writing exceeds expectations. I am always impressed with her analytical skills. She can interpret what the author is trying to convey accurately and relate it to human nature.

What I enjoy most about Eliana is her fun-loving personality. She will always bring a smile to your face and make you laugh when you are down. She is caring, considerate, and respectful at all times. She is the kind of person you want to be around as a friend and a model student for any teacher. Eliana is confident, intelligent, and self-motivated. I am truly blessed to have worked with such a fine young woman, who will succeed at anything. It is with great pleasure to announce that Eliana is a 2024 Burrowes Scholar. Way to go, Eliana! I am proud of you.

**Cooper Goff****Mathematics****Mr. Daniel Colvin**

Cooper is an exceptional student who consistently shows his desire to learn and achieve at a level above what is expected of him. Each day in fifth grade, Cooper has come to school prepared to do his best, strives to produce quality work, and is always wanting to be challenged academically. Along with his academic strengths, Cooper is a student who is always willing to collaborate with his peers and he consistently seeks to be a positive role model and contributor as a collaborative partner. Cooper's kind, hard-working, and patient personality in the classroom makes him an asset to the class.

Along with being a wonderful student who enjoys math and science, Cooper enjoys sports and art. Cooper plays soccer for a local youth organized sports league and participates in the Hans Herr Art Club.

I am honored to represent Cooper as a Burrowes Scholar. He is well deserving of this recognition as a result of his continuous enthusiasm for learning, being a positive contributor to his class and school, and always doing his best. Congratulations and continue to do a wonderful job in L-5!

**Haley Grimm****Language Arts****Mrs. Kristin Maser**

The ELA Burrowes Scholars need to excel in two areas: reading and writing. Haley Grimm is a true scholar in that she works hard to apply the skills and strategies that have been instructed. She is very precise in her process and conscientious about putting in the time and effort needed to do her best work.

While this work ethic is applied to all areas of ELA, it is in writing that Haley excels. Fifth grade text-dependent analysis requires close reading and in-depth study of the text. The student has to make inferences and analyze the author's craft. Haley does all of this expertly, but then presents her findings in a clear, logical, text-supported essay. Her narrative writings have a strong voice so that you actually feel as if you are part of the story or can relate to the character's feelings.

To top it off, Haley always has her hand in the air to volunteer – whether to participate, lead, or help a peer. She understands that she cannot always be called upon and takes that in stride. She checks in with the teacher often to make sure she is on track and to make her work the best it can be. This determination to keep improving, which is usually carried out with a smile on her face, will serve her well in all aspects of life.

**Caden Herr****Mathematics****Ms. Janelle Konkle**

Caden is an exceptional young man whose respect, responsibility, and work ethic are admired by teachers and peers. Caden is a quiet leader who brings out the best in others. He leads by example in his words and actions. His classmates are drawn to his caring, patient, and motivated personality. Every day, Caden comes to class prepared and strives to produce quality work. He is always one of the first students to offer to help in any way that he can. In addition, Caden spends his time playing basketball and baseball for L-S. He is an avid Philadelphia sports fan!

While Caden excels in many academic areas, mathematics is one area where he truly shines. He demonstrates strategic problem-solving skills and critical thinking skills in every problem he comes across. He is diligent in not only finding the correct answer, but also in explaining his reasoning to demonstrate mathematical understanding. Caden also enjoys a challenge and positively welcomes any task given to him. Caden's genuine love of learning, mature character, and mathematical ability have earned him the title of 2024 Burrowes Scholar! Congratulations Caden!

**Carter Hufford****Mathematics****Mr. Jeffrey Nolt**

When classmates or teachers think about Carter Hufford, the words "creative," "intelligent," and "talented" immediately come to mind. Carter has been named a Burrowes Scholar due to his outstanding achievement in math, but hard work and attention to detail are what set him apart. As a skilled student, Carter could easily settle for "good enough" with minimum effort. Yet, he thrives on challenges and actively seeks them out.

Besides academic achievement, Carter has a wide range of interests which he routinely gives up free time to pursue. Outside of school he plays in a youth volleyball league. At Hans Herr Elementary, Carter takes part in both the chess and media clubs that meet regularly during lunch periods. With the school orchestra, he plays viola. And Carter's voice is familiar to the Hans Herr community as a regular presenter on the morning announcements.

It is easy to see how Carter is truly an extraordinary young man. His creativity, intelligence, and motivation will serve him well in all his future endeavors.

**Nayliana McKinney****Language Arts****Mr. David Fakolt**

Nayliana McKinney is an exceptional fifth-grade student with a positive attitude. She is an independent, confident learner. An unnamed author once opined, "Some people dream of success... while others wake up and work hard at it." Lili has a sense of direction and purpose well beyond the maturity of the average fifth-grade student. Lili is a critical thinker and problem solver who strives to learn new things. Lili has very high expectations for herself, and takes great pride in the finished product that she turns in.

Lili is willing to work hard and to always give 100% effort. She approaches all her academic studies with a desire to do her best, and her results reflect just that – a highly refined quality product. Lili has produced outstanding results not only in ELA, but truly in all her academic endeavors this year.

Lili is in our enrichment program here at school where she is involved with individualized projects helping to hone her leadership, creativity, and problem-solving skills. Academically strong, Lili excels at her many varied interests too, such as adding her considerable talent to our school band. Outside of school, Lili shines with her soccer team. Lili excels in academics, sports, and the arts.

Lili is a young woman of high moral character who leads quietly by example. Leadership, diligence, a mature approach to tasks, and her thoughtfulness to others describe Lili. She possesses a bright imagination, fun sense of humor, and well-rounded abilities. Lili is a well-deserving Burrowes Scholar.

**Natalisse Ojeda****Language Arts****Mr. Matthew Hoover**

Natalisse is destined for success, no matter what challenges lie ahead. She exemplifies what it means to be a Burrowes Scholar – intelligent, conscientious, and inquisitive. Not only does she excel in academics, she also displays the traits of a true leader. She strives for the highest levels of responsibility, organization, and respect. This is what makes Natalisse’s character stand out above anything. Natalisse leads with maturity, fairness, and patience in the classroom. I am proud to sponsor her for this prestigious award.

I am honored to sponsor Natalisse for high academic achievement in English Language Arts. It is evident that her hard work pays off. There are no shortcuts when it comes to her classwork. She exhibits the highest level of inferential and analytical thinking skills when she reads. Her writing is thorough, with advanced vocabulary and sophisticated transitions. Let's not forget Natalisse's willingness to help her peers and offer a different perspective to help solve a problem. Congratulations, Natalisse!

**Arabella Shehan****Visual Arts****Mrs. Lauri Loar-Stauffer**

The 2023-2024 Burrowes Scholar Award for the Visual Arts at Hans Herr Elementary has been awarded to Arabella Shehan. Arabella is a student in Daniel Colvin’s fifth grade homeroom.

Arabella was chosen for her demonstration of proficiency in visual art-making skills in both art class and after-school art club. She creates art on her own time and participated in art club this school year, where fellow art club students observed her working with the seriousness of a dedicated artist.

She exemplifies the demeanor of an artist and carefully evaluates each step of an art project.

Arabella's craftsmanship skills are evident in skillfully crafted artwork. An example was the dragon eye sculpture made from Model Magic. Her carefully crafted pastel design elements adorn the sculpture as if they were fondant.

Her quiet demeanor, cooperative nature and strong work ethic are several character traits exemplary of her qualification for this award. Her humble nature, persistence, self-discipline and cooperation are consistent with her work ethic. She is an excellent role model for other classmates. These characteristics are a few of many that are necessary to be successful in school and life.

**Tristan Sokol****Mathematics****Mrs. Shannon Freedland**

Tristan Sokol is a quiet, hardworking student who loves Math. He enjoys learning new concepts as well as asking for challenges that stretch his thinking. When asked about his favorite subject, Tristan shared that “I have always enjoyed learning more things and there is lots to learn about Math.” He can often be observed quietly muttering as he works through a problem. Whether creating a spreadsheet to monitor the aquarium levels in our class trout tank or facilitating and monitoring an elimination bracket for games of floor hockey during indoor recess, Tristan’s attention to detail and enjoyment of working with numbers is obvious.

Tristan is an achiever outside the classroom, too. He was recently promoted to Boy Scout in his local troop and plays soccer throughout the year. It has been a pleasure having Tristan as a student. His work ethic, drive, and scholastic success combine to create an obvious nominee for a Burrowes Scholar. Congratulations, Tristan!



**Eve Staley****Language Arts****Mrs. Sarah Capoferri**

Eve Staley is an exceptional and highly-capable fifth-grade student. She excels in every aspect of the classroom: academics, creativity, responsibility, organization, diligence, initiative, and leadership. This is not just due to her natural talent; more importantly, her success stems from her hard work, determination, and high standards. Eve consistently completes each assignment to the best of her ability and pushes herself to improve.

Most noticeably, Eve's kindness is also evident in her relationships with those around her. She is friendly and inclusive to all her peers. Always with a smile on her face, Eve maintains her own confidence, strength, and individuality. Her cooperative spirit makes her a valued team member and a natural leader among her peers in and out of school. In addition to her studies, Eve plays flute in the band, is active in her church, swims on the Otters, and is a member of Girls on the Run.

Eve never sits back and takes the easy path to good grades; her curiosity pushes her to ask questions and make connections. She sets lofty expectations for herself, planning, studying, and putting her full effort into not only meeting her goals but surpassing them. Eve is a voracious reader who has a new book every few days. She is challenging herself by reading new genres this year and is well on her way to not only completing the 40-Book Challenge but surpassing that goal.

With all these wonderful traits, Eve is deservedly named a Burrowes Scholar.

**Von Walter****Physical Education****Mr. William Valenzo**

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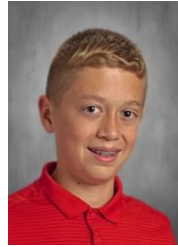
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Music



**Gabriella Coon**  
Health



**Elliot DeBruin**  
Mathematics



**Ashlyn Donaldson\***  
Spanish



**Ashlynn Frey**  
Language Arts



**Jillian Groff**  
Social Studies

**MARTIN MEYLIN  
MIDDLE SCHOOL  
EIGHTH-GRADE  
BURROWES SCHOLARS**



**Isabel Henry\***  
Band



**Carter Hess**  
Physical Education



**Morgan MacFeat**  
Visual Arts



**Providence Magras**  
Technology Education



**Aila Reno**  
German



**Benjamin Rimert\***  
Science



**Norah Steffy\***  
Orchestra



**Elaina Strange**  
Physical Education

*\* Also a Burrowes Scholar in fifth grade*

**Lucy Boyd****Music****Mr. Benjamin Gibson**

The Burrowes Scholar in music at Martin Meylin exemplifies musical ability, work ethic, persistence, and leadership. Lucy Boyd is the most consistent, dependable, and among the most capable members of the music program that we currently have at Martin Meylin. That is saying something, as we are fortunate to have many outstanding young people in our program.

Since her first rehearsal in sixth grade, Lucy has led by quiet example. She is always willing to accompany, and always leading her section. These qualities have served Lucy well as she excels in all her other classes and in her athletic endeavors. Students like Lucy make this profession an honor. The future is bright for Lucy and continuing to apply herself will surely bring success in whatever she chooses to do.

**Gabriella Coon****Health****Mrs. Michelle Diffendarfer**

The Burrowes Scholar for Health this year goes to an outstanding individual, Gabriella. She consistently impressed in class, actively participated in discussions, and demonstrated a deep understanding of health concepts. Gabriella was genuinely fascinated by how social dynamics, communication, and even finances impacted her well-being. She also enjoyed learning about other practical life skills such as CPR, how to make and balance a budget, and how fascinating the human body is, with its many systems that work together. Her favorite Health class memory was our Nutrition Project in seventh grade. Outside of school, Gabriella is actively involved in Girl Scouts. Her dedication to health continued from sixth through eighth grade, I saw Gabi blossoming into someone prepared to handle the complexities of life, both physically, mentally, and socially. I'm truly thankful to have had such an awesome student as Gabriella to receive this award.

**Elliot DeBruin****Mathematics****Mr. William Heyser**

Elliot DeBruin is a wonderful young man who excels in mathematics. In the fall semester, he took Accelerated Algebra 2 with two other eighth graders and earned a 97%! He has a positive attitude and we loved having him in class! He always asked really good questions, and that showed that he was always thinking deeply about the math concepts we were learning about. He also embraces challenges, and that says a lot about his growth mindset. He was great at coming up with unique and efficient ways to solve our more difficult math problems. Elliot also has a great sense of humor and, even though he was in a class with ninth and tenth graders, he fit in nicely and worked very well with everyone. Miss Neff, his geometry teacher, had this to say about Elliot. "Elliot is a hard worker with a positive attitude! He is in Accelerated Geometry with two fellow eighth graders, but also with ninth, tenth, and eleventh graders! With a 100% so far, he is at the top of the class! He works well alone, but also with a few peers who sit nearby. He has shown great critical thinking skills and has excellent algebra recall. Elliot is polite, kind, and respectful of others!"

I also love Elliot's optimism and enthusiasm for learning; it brought great joy and happiness to both his teachers and his classmates. I am so happy for Elliot because he is so deserving of this honor, and I know he will go on to achieve great things in his lifetime!

**Ashlyn Donaldson****Spanish****Mrs. Kendra Mier**

Ambitious, creative, joyful, and confident are all ways to describe this year's Burrowes Scholar, Ashlyn Donaldson. Ashlyn, otherwise known as "Mariposa" en la clase de Español, sets herself apart in the classroom through her strong leadership abilities, desire to learn, and consistent participation. She is a natural leader, and her enthusiastic attitude and work ethic are contagious. She strives for excellence always and never backs down from a challenge. Ashlyn has been an outstanding student, and it is a privilege to name her the Spanish Burrowes Scholar!

Outside of the classroom, Ashlyn is involved in several activities and sports. As a member of orchestra, chorus and madrigals, she is also passionate about music and musical theater. Ashlyn has been a part of recent musical productions at Martin Meylin. Additionally, she is a member of Jr. FFA and the track team. She attends Providence Church and is an active member of Calvary youth group. Ashlyn enjoys swimming, reading, going to the beach, and spending time with family and friends.

Overall, Ashlyn is an all-around exceptional student, and it is a privilege to name her the 2024 Spanish Burrowes Scholar! In the future, she has a goal to be an elementary school teacher. Ashlyn is truly destined for greatness, and she'll continue to shine and inspire others in all of her future endeavors. ¡Felicitaciones Ashlyn!

**Ashlynn Frey****Language Arts****Mrs. Emily Burkhart**

I have the honor of presenting Ashlynn Frey as my Burrowes Scholar this year. Ashlynn is an outstanding student in English Language Arts class. She entered her eighth-grade year with a clear desire to succeed and soak up all of the information she could. This determination has paid off in dividends, as she is an exemplary student and role model. Her dedication to submitting her best work and sharing insightful ideas with our class is beyond admirable. Additionally, she acts as a leader during group work, providing guidance and collaborating with her peers positively. When she is not in the classroom, Ashlynn enjoys spending time raising goats, reading, and belonging to FFA. She possesses a drive to reach goals and commit to being her best self. Ashlynn's teachers and peers appreciate her kindness and compassion for others, and the OWL Team will miss her next year!

**Jillian Groff****Social Studies****Mr. Kevin Franklin**

This year's Eighth Grade Burrowes Scholar for Social Studies is Miss Jillian Groff. Jillian is the type of student who gives her best effort in all that she does. Every assignment that she has completed has been done with excellence, and every test that she has taken has shown consistent mastery of the social studies content. What has been most impressive about her performance in social studies this year is how she shows true joy in learning throughout the process. Jillian values learning for the sake of learning. She has been a consistent class participant who can interact with the open-ended abstract concepts presented in class in a very thoughtful manner. Her every effort is consistent with what a Burrowes Scholar is to be.

Along with this, Jillian has achieved academic perfection while exemplifying stellar character, too. She is kind and supportive toward her classmates and teachers. She is always upbeat, and her presence contributes to a very positive classroom environment. Jillian is the type of student any teacher would love to have in class. Congratulations to Jillian Groff for being selected as the 2024 Eighth Grade Burrowes Scholar for Social Studies.

**Isabel Henry****Band****Mr. Larry Royer**

It is an honor to nominate Isabel Henry as the Martin Meylin Burrowes Scholar for Instrumental Music in Band. I have known Isa since she entered the band in sixth grade three years ago. At Martin Meylin, she has participated in concert band each year and jazz band for one year. Her hard work and skill also earned her positions in the 2023 and 2024 LLMEA County Band Festival. As an eighth grader, Isa auditioned for the PMEA District 7 Band and placed sixth. Which, as a young oboist, is quite an accomplishment.

One of the joys I have in teaching instrumental music is that I get to work with students over the course of seven years. For the past three, I have always been impressed with Isa's mature and positive attitude. She comes to every lesson and every rehearsal with a smile. Combine that with a high level of talent and an excellent work ethic and you end up with a leader both in terms of playing and character. The oboe is one of the most difficult wind instruments to play. It requires patience and hard work, and Isa does it beautifully.

It has been a pleasure working with Isa these past three years and I look forward to seeing her become an integral part of the ensembles at the high school. Her success at Martin Meylin has laid the groundwork that will encourage everyone to aspire to the band's slogan "A Tradition of Quality, A Commitment to Excellence."

**Carter Hess****Physical Education****Mr. Bradley Heeter**

It is with great pleasure that Martin Meylin's Physical Education Department nominates Carter Hess as their 2024 Burrowes Scholar. Carter has been given this award for his outstanding participation and excellence in the classroom. He always gives his best effort and continuously approaches class with a positive attitude. He has distinguished himself as a leader amongst his peers. Carter's character exemplifies respect, sportsmanship, and integrity.

Apart from being a high honor roll student, Carter is very active with school and community activities. He is a member of the JH football and basketball teams, plays SWS baseball, and is involved in the Fellowship of Christian Students. Outside of school, he is involved in LCBC Church and travel basketball, and volunteers as a coach and umpire for youth baseball.

Carter is truly a genuine person. He is thoughtful, caring, and courteous to others. He has an infectious smile that has a unique ability to lift the spirits of everyone around him. Carter has recently stated that through his participation in physical education, he has increased his confidence and awareness of the importance of having fun. It is with all these attributes in mind that we are recommending Carter Hess for the Eighth-Grade Physical Education Burrowes Scholar. Congratulations!

**Morgan MacFeat****Visual Arts****Mr. Edward Leone**

Morgan MacFeat possesses great abilities to artistically create beautiful paintings, drawings, and other works of art. She puts forth tremendous effort in her work, and the visually interesting results of her artwork are a testament to her diligence. Throughout her years at Martin Meylin, she has created some amazing solutions to the learning activities, and this year in eighth grade, she continues to use her imagination and skills to excel in her endeavors.

One work of art that truly shows her ingenuity is the coil-built pottery that Morgan created during the second marking period. She not only constructed a unique and interesting shape when she built it, but also added the interesting features of a spout, a lid, and a handle. In addition to her pottery project, Morgan created an excellent colored pencil drawing to show the optical illusion of a two-point linear perspective. Also, in her acrylic painting, she gracefully blended shades of blue and carefully applied the paint to show a creative design that brings the viewer's eyes from the areas around the painting's edges to the beautifully painted silhouette of a sea turtle as an area of a focal point.

With her determination to learn, motivation to do well, artistic eye, and creative imagination, Morgan demonstrated excellence as a visual arts student. As Morgan finishes her eighth-grade year at Martin Meylin, her artwork illustrates her ability to use her talents well, and she truly deserves the honor of Borrowes Scholar.

**Providence Magras****Technology Education****Mr. Kenneth Neumann**

Choosing a Burrowes Scholar from the Martin Meylin Technology Education program is never easy. There are always a number of highly qualified students. Each of them is hardworking, responsible, and talented. That makes it even more notable that Providence Magras rose to the challenge to become this year's Burrowes Scholar in Technology Education.

Her artistic skills, when it comes to designing, are superior. Whether a presentation, sketching designs, or even doodling her craftsmanship sets her above her peers. When conducting research, she demonstrated the ability to only include facts and then to present them in a professional matter. Providence's creativity shined as she completed assignments as well. Her perfectionistic style and lightheartedness allow her to succeed when she runs into difficulty. Her attention to detail, tenacity, and warm personality make her a leader among her peers. It is both an honor and a pleasure to announce Providence Magras as the Burrowes Scholar award winner in Technology Education.

**Aila Reno****German****Dr. Joseph Mencarini**

Aila Reno has spent three years in my class being an exemplar for her peers. She knows her stuff, she is motivated to learn beyond the limits of the curriculum, and has a keen eye for understanding the bigger picture.

This year, Aila not only excelled personally but helped students around her when they needed it without being asked to—she saw people in need, and she acted conscientiously to make their day brighter and easier.

She does this with adults, too: After a lesson where we were discussing the *Volgadeutsch*, a small community of German-speakers in Russia (where my ancestors are from), she made connections to an episode of *Tasting History* with Max Miller and sent me a video showcasing Bierocks, a staple of *Wolgadeutsche* cooking. She then followed through with prompting me to watch it until I did, not letting the shared learning opportunity pass by. This is a valuable skill to have — identifying ways to add joy to the lives of people around her and then not letting communication fall by the wayside. I predict this will be a skill that will help Aila not only thrive in her future but also ensure the edification of her community as well.

Aside from a keen interest in culinary arts and history, Aila is also an avid artist and aspiring author. She plans on studying hospitality in college, then "moving to the Netherlands, working at a hotel initially until I go on to own an inn with seven cats." She knows what she wants, she knows how to make it happen, and she knows how to be a leader to help others find their paths. I look forward to watching her future unfold, and to curl up with a good book and at least one cat someday at her establishment, which will no doubt have a long list of five-star reviews.

**Benjamin Rimert****Science****Mr. Marshall Krebs**

Being selected as a Burrowes Scholar is a remarkable achievement and a great honor that recognizes dedication and passion for science and academic achievement. This award is a testament to Ben Rimert's hard work, perseverance, and commitment to learning. It is more than just a recognition of his academic excellence; it also highlights his potential to make a positive impact on the world through science.

Being chosen as a Burrowes Scholar means Ben excelled in his science studies throughout middle school. This is not an easy feat, as science can be a challenging subject that requires both a strong understanding of the material and the ability to apply it in creative and innovative ways. Ben's science teachers have recognized his ability to think critically and solve problems, which are essential skills in the field of science.

As a Burrowes Scholar, Ben has a responsibility to lead by example and inspire his peers. His achievement shows that hard work and dedication pay off, and he can use his experience to motivate others to strive for excellence in their own studies.

Ben Rimert's journey as a Burrowes Scholar does not end here; it is just the beginning. This award opens opportunities for him to continue his scientific pursuits and deepen his knowledge. As Ben moves forward, he

should keep in mind the qualities that have brought him this far: curiosity, perseverance, and a passion for learning. These traits will serve him well in his future endeavors.

In conclusion, being selected as a Burrowes Scholar is a significant achievement that reflects a student's hard work and potential. Celebrate this moment and take pride in your accomplishments. Remember to lead by example, inspire others, and keep your passion for science alive. The future is bright, and you are on your way to making a lasting impact on the world. Congratulations, Ben Rimert, on being a Science Burrowes Scholar for 2024!

**Norah Steffy**

**Orchestra**

**Mr. Robert Shaubach**

I am proud to recommend Norah Steffy as the 2024 Eighth Grade Orchestra Burrowes Scholar. Music educators take great joy in providing students with opportunities to grow as musicians and people. A Burrowes scholar is one who has taken full advantage of those opportunities on the basis of one or more outstanding character traits.

Since joining the L-S Orchestra program as a fourth grade beginner, Norah has demonstrated a desire for excellence in everything she does. Her actions have consistently made it clear that she is committed to giving her best effort to every task. This trait, along with her considerable musical aptitude, make Norah a valued member of the Martin Meylin Orchestra whom other members can count on to help the group improve and achieve success.

Even more impressive is Norah's ability to seek excellence while maintaining positive relationships and interactions with her peers. Her kindness and compassion for others allow her to be a valued contributor to any musical ensemble or other group and help her relate to fellow students of all levels of experience and ability. Finally, Norah excels in communication with students and teachers, demonstrating a level of understanding and empathy that is uncommon for someone her age.

It is with respect and admiration that I present Norah Steffy as the 2024 Eighth Grade Orchestra Burrowes Scholar.

**Elaina Strange**

**Physical Education**

**Mrs. Amy Beard**

For the 2023-2024 school year, the Martin Meylin Physical Education Department is pleased to award Elaina Strange with the Burrowes Scholar Award. Elaina is an easy selection for this award as she has consistently been a strong student-athlete the past three years I have had her in class. Daily, Elaina shows up to class eager to learn and bring the best out in those around her. She is a humble achiever who does not boast or taunt. She simply shows up prepared, ready to put the work in to get the goal accomplished.

Elaina exemplifies all the qualities I would want for all my students. There is no doubt that the skills sports have taught Elaina will put her above others in the workforce. I have already seen her use these skills in class with great success.

It has been a pleasure to have you in class these past three years and wish you the best for all you do in the future Elaina. Thank you for improving our class and those around you.



**James Appलग्रिज\***  
English



**Van Dietrich**  
Physical Education



**Gianna Fasano\***  
Visual Art



**Emory Fluhr\*\***  
Technology Education



**Heron Gaudet**  
Mandarin



**Truman Horst\*\***  
Band



**Ava Immel**  
Agriculture



**Jeremiah Kennel**  
German



**Riley Kurau**  
Family/Consumer Science

**LAMPETER-STRASBURG  
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ELEVENTH-GRADE  
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**Lila Murdock**  
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**Elizabeth Rhinier**  
Vocal Music



**Drea Rice\***  
Spanish



**Adelyn Rodriguez**  
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**Annaliese Sauve\*\***  
Social Studies



**Alexander Weese**  
Science



**Brynn Young**  
Mathematics



**Carson Zook\***  
Orchestra

\* Also a Burrowes Scholar in 5th or 8th grade / \*\* Also a Burrowes Scholar in 5th and 8th grade



**James Appelgrijn****English****Mrs. Susan Rettew**

In speaking of his work as an author, Stan Lee once said, "The pleasure of reading a story and wondering what will come next for the hero is a pleasure that has lasted for centuries, and, I think, will always be with us." I know one student in particular who would agree with this sentiment, and his excellence in reading, writing and telling heroic stories is why James Appelgrijn has earned both the respect and admiration of his teachers and peers and the honor of being the Burrowes Scholar in English. In the realm of English studies, he emerges as a true hero. In English 10 last year, James dissected complex texts and smashed his way through any literary challenge that stood in his way to effectively communicate his thoughts and convictions in well-crafted essays. This year in Creative Writing, he wields the power of language with complete finesse and navigates the nuances of plot development with precision, drawing upon a diverse arsenal of words from his vast and dynamic vocabulary. James is a true superhero in his own right, embodying the values of justice, integrity, and perseverance that define the Marvel universe. I have no doubt that he will continue to inspire and excel in all of his endeavors; so, in the meantime, knowing what will come next for this protagonist, I'll wait patiently for the publication of his premier novel and be first in line to purchase it. Excelsior!

**Van Dietrich****Physical Education****Mrs. Kendall Krulock**

The Lampeter-Strasburg High School Health and Physical Education Department is delighted to present Van Dietrich with the honor of being this year's eleventh-grade Burrowes Scholar in Physical Education. This recognition emphasizes the importance of physical education in the student's holistic development, highlighting areas such as physical health, teamwork, sportsmanship, and leadership. Van's high school career is marked by his extensive involvement in sports, having played soccer and basketball for 14 years, and being an impact player on the high school's soccer team since his freshman year. Beyond his high school commitments, Van has played for the MLS Next academy team for five years, showcasing his advanced skills and dedication to soccer at a highly competitive level. His leadership abilities are further highlighted by his role as captain of the PA Classics Elite team, where he has demonstrated exceptional leadership and teamwork.

In addition to his athletic achievements, Van is actively involved in various extracurricular activities, demonstrating his leadership and commitment to the school community. He is a member of the MiniTHON committee, National Honor Society, Varsity Club, and a Link Crew leader. These roles further illustrate Van's character and dedication, showcasing his ability to balance and excel in both academics and athletics. Van's work ethic, both in the gym during Life Team & individual Sports and on the field, exemplifies his strong character. His kindness, sportsmanship, and ability to uplift team and class morale make him a positive role model for his peers. With his multifaceted contributions to the Lampeter-Strasburg High School community, Van is more than deserving of the Burrowes Scholar Award for health and physical education, standing as an exemplary figure for his teammates, classmates, and the entire community.

**Gianna Fasano****Visual Arts****Mr. Scott Cantrell**

Gianna Fasano is an exceptional young artist. Her peers and teachers are well aware of her lofty determination, drawing skills, painting ability, and conceptual consideration. Gigi's ambitiously scrutinized artwork attracts an audience that admires her mastery of medium and representational realism, as well as her illustrative hand and considered design sense. Her paintings have a maturity that very few high school students can accomplish. Along with this technical mastery, she has conceptual depth in her artwork as well. Her art challenges concepts of memory and nostalgia; playfully referencing elements of her shared history with her peers by painting on things like shoes and umbrellas to add context through her substrate. Her work then is original and truly her own creative explorations.

Gigi is academically and artistically top class, which is evident in her knowledge of art's vast history, technical terms, and her skills. She is inquisitive, highly motivated, and has a passion for learning that is inspiring to all. Congratulations to Gianna Fasano for being the ideal selection for the high school Visual Art 2023-2024 Burrowes Scholar!

**Emory Fluhr****Technology Education****Mr. Adam Zurn**

Emory Fluhr has been selected as a Burrowes Scholar due to his outstanding academic achievements and well-rounded commitment to education. Throughout his high school journey, Emory has showcased diligence and dedication, excelling not only in his accelerated core academic courses but also in a diverse array of electives, including Art Survey, Spanish, and Family and Consumer Science. With an impressive GPA of 4.1043, placing him in the top 15% of his class, Emory's pursuit of knowledge extends beyond conventional boundaries. His excellence in tech ed classes such as Wood Technology, Introduction to CADD, and Architectural Drawing underscores his versatility and proficiency. Moreover, Emory's engagement in extracurricular activities, including basketball, football, outdoor club, and National Honor Society, demonstrate his holistic approach to personal and academic development. With his exceptional academic prowess and well-rounded character, Emory Fluhr embodies the spirit of a true Pioneer. It is with great honor and pleasure that Emory Fluhr is proclaimed Burrowes Scholar in the area of Technology Education.

**Heron Gaudet****Madarin****Mr. Brian Fisher**

From Day 1 of Mandarin 1, Heron struck me as an intrinsically-motivated, curious learner. Her mind is always engaged in the modes of "What if...?" and "How about...?" whether she interacts with topics related to culture, grammar, or vocabulary. She stands out as a leader in class not only in the questions she asks but also in her positive relationships with her classmates. She readily comes alongside others to help sort through the nuances of characters or the connections among ideas in sentences. Her work ethic also shines as she devotes much time to reviewing and reinforcing the vocabulary she has collected over the last year. In small group work, especially roleplays, Heron pulls out her creative side by infusing her skits with fun twists and unexpected casts of characters.

Outside of class, Heron keeps herself busy by playing in the band and marching band as well as throwing for the track and field team. Her interest in science and medicine as a pathway for curing diseases reflects her heart of compassion and drive towards meaningful goals.

It indeed is a great honor to bestow this honor to Heron. Her hard work has truly paid off, and regardless of the road she travels, she is sure to leave a memorable mark on all of her spheres of influence.

**Truman Horst****Band****Mr. Larry Royer**

It is my pleasure to name Truman Horst as this year's eleventh-grade Burrowes Scholar for Instrumental Music in Band. Throughout his middle school and high school career, Truman has been a member of every band-related instrumental ensemble. These include Concert Band, Jazz Band, and Marching Band. Truman plays the baritone in concert band and marching band, and trombone in the jazz band. He is also a member of the Tri-M Music Honor Society.

Truman possesses a deep and genuine love of music which shows in each performance he is part of. Truman is also a section leader in the marching band. This past year, as we were learning a difficult section of our field show, each member was focused only on marching. Truman picked up his instrument and played each set the entire time by himself as everyone marched. His action that day was an enormous benefit to the whole group and sped up the entire process. In every way, that is Truman Horst. Selfless, confident, and capable in performance and leadership.

It has been a pleasure working with Truman all these years, and to watch him grow in his musical abilities has been very rewarding. He is the beneficiary of a legacy of commitment from those that came before him, and I'm sure that he will imprint the same on the instrumental music department during his senior year that will encourage everyone to aspire to the band's slogan, "A Tradition of Quality, A Commitment to Excellence."

**Ava Immel****Agriculture****Mrs. Katie Ranck  
and Mrs. Holly Oberholtzer**

Ava Immel has been an active and reliable student in the Agriculture Education department for the past three years. Ava exhibits a strong work ethic along with good social and leadership skills that will make her successful in the future. She has served the Garden Spot FFA chapter as an active committee member for various events and holds the committee chair position for our Junior FFA program. She has helped organize and facilitate many FFA events this year. You can always count on Ava to be ready to take on a task to support her members, officers and advisors. Her Supervised Agriculture Experience (SAE) projects have included working at Metzler Mowers and horse training. She works hard to keep quality records on her SAEs, winning county awards and degrees.

Ava has participated in FFA contests at the county, regional, and state levels. Her most recent accomplishment was competing at the National FFA Convention on the Agriculture Sales Team and winning first place at the Lancaster County Extemporaneous Speaking Contest. Within the classroom, Ava shows immense leadership and professionalism. Ava is motivated and has the interest and drive to do well each day in the classroom, greenhouse, shop, or with the FFA. She is an individual who works hard and will be successful in her goal of studying Wildlife & Biology to become a Park Ranger. It is our pleasure and honor to declare Ava Immel the Burrowes Scholar in the field of Agriculture Education for 2024.

**Riley Kurau****Family & Consumer Science****Mrs. Hope Zimmerman**

Yes, Riley is a responsible and diligent student who completes all of his work and responsibilities with thought and intention. But even more impressive is his ability to be this kind of student while also adding elements of creativity and critical thinking to the work he produces. He does not ever just go through the motions of “getting things done.” Rather, he sees value in learning and will dive deeply into any topic or experience with the intention of increasing his knowledge and sharpening his skills. Riley was not just an excellent student; he was an asset to the class. He led by example with his positive demeanor and attitude, strong work ethic, and overall sense of curiosity and wonder. It is my privilege to present Riley as the Family & Consumer Sciences Burrowes Scholar.

In addition to being an overall amazing student, Riley is also an active member of the community. He has been a Scouts member for the past 10 years and is currently working toward his Eagle Scout. Riley is also an active member of National Honor Society, STEM Club, and the esports team. He is getting ready to spend his third summer as a camp counselor at Ten Mile River Scout Camp, where he works as both a lifeguard and an ecologist.

**Jeremiah Kennel****German****Mr. Alexander Breikreutz**

Jeremiah Kennel has shown a passion for the German language that sets him apart from most students in his class. He has thrived through dedication and perseverance.

From the very first day of German class, his fascination with the language was palpable. What began as mere curiosity evolved into a profound love for the language and its culture. Jeremiah is equally talented in learning new vocabulary and applying grammar rules. Beyond pure memorization, he sought to understand the nuances and intricacies of the German language. In addition, he was passionate about Germany’s rich history and culture. Jeremiah’s excellence in German class is not merely measured by grades but by his genuine fluency and comprehension. He engages in class discussions with confidence and expresses his thoughts with clarity. His passion for the language is so strong that he sets a high standard for his peers to strive for excellence alongside him. In addition, Jeremiah has great character and interpersonal skills. He is compassionate and caring. Jeremiah’s discipline and mature behavior are his keys to success when completing the most challenging tasks. He exhibits commendable critical thinking skills and is able to make connections to other subject areas where applicable.

Through his journey of excelling in German class, Jeremiah has not only acquired language skills but also gained a deeper understanding of cultural diversity and global interconnectedness. His mastery of the German language opens doors to endless possibilities, paving the way for future academic and professional success.

**Lila Murdock****Business****Mr. Joshua Riehl**

Lila Murdock has proven herself to be an exceptional student as a part of the Business Education department. She has taken Introduction to Business, Managing Your Finances, and AP Microeconomics in her high school career. In all of these classes, she displayed academic qualities and a level of maturity that is commendable. Lila's active participation in discussions and her insightful follow-up questions reflect her dedication to learning.

What truly sets Lila apart is her unwavering diligence in completing her assignments and projects. There has never been a day when Lila was anything less than focused, or an instance where she did not give her absolute best effort. While she excels in independent work, Lila also effortlessly assumes leadership roles and collaborates effectively with her peers, showcasing her versatility and teamwork skills.

Lila's respectful demeanor towards faculty members and her warm, kind interactions with her peers exemplify her exceptional personal qualities. She is consistently reliable and approachable, embodying the values of respect and kindness in all her interactions. With her outstanding academic achievements and admirable character, Lila Murdock enriches the Business Education department. And so, it is with both honor and pleasure that I proclaim Lila Murdock the Burrows Scholar in the area of Business.

**Elizabeth Rhinier****Vocal Music****Mr. Erik Welchans**

As a music educator, I have the unique opportunity to work with student musicians who impress and inspire me each and every day. Ellie Rhinier is one of those students. Ellie is involved in all aspects of the vocal music department at the high school. He is a member of the Concert Choir and Madrigal Singers and has participated each year in our Spring Musicals. She has earned A grades in all her music classes and a definite A+ for her attitude and leadership!

Ellie Rhinier is an all-around, outstanding student and musician. Ellie has a beautiful voice and continues to be a great role model for other aspiring vocalists. In rehearsals, she leads by example and helps other students during sectionals. This year, Ellie was a member of the LLMEA County Chorus Festival and the PMEA District and Regional Festival, where she placed first and earned a spot in the esteemed All-State Festival in Erie, PA. She frequently performs as a soloist in our community and beyond. This spring, Ellie performed in the PMEA District 7 Modern Band at LMH, where she totally rocked out!!

Her academic standing, involvement in extracurricular activities, leadership, and strong moral character make Ellie Rhinier a standout student; indeed worthy of the prestigious Burrows Scholar award. Ellie's talents as a musician and performer will continue to grow and I know that she will succeed at whatever the future holds. Way to go, Ellie!

**Drea Rice****Spanish****Mrs. Jennifer Wade**

Drea Rice has distinguished herself as one of the best and most consistent students of Spanish at Lampeter-Strasburg High School. She exemplifies the epitome of a top-performing student, deserving of recognition for her exceptional qualities. Diligent and unwavering in her pursuit of excellence, Drea consistently goes above and beyond in her academic endeavors. Drea leads the class with the highest grade point average while displaying the ability to comprehend and express herself very well in the target language, whether it is in the written or oral form.

Drea remains humble and approachable. She displays a teachable attitude that eagerly absorbs new knowledge. Her innate intelligence and her willingness to learn allow her to excel not only academically but also in her interpersonal relationships. Drea's outstanding qualities make her not only a standout student but also a role model for her peers, embodying the essence of what it means to be both academically accomplished and genuinely compassionate. She is truly deserving of the highest accolades and recognition for her remarkable achievements.

**Adelyn Rodriguez****Physical Education****Mr. Derrick Morgan**

Addie represents the spirit of leadership, possessing qualities of resilience, work ethic, and teamwork that set her apart. Her efforts in the classroom and on the field inspire those around her to follow suit. She has an unwavering dedication and determination to whatever activity she is focusing on. Despite facing challenges, she approaches every task with a sense of purpose and commitment, setting an example for others to follow. Attention to detail related to skills and strategy involving content covered in class is very much appreciated. This is evident based on her ability to excel regardless of the activity taking place.

Addie understands the value of teamwork and collaboration. She recognizes that success is not achieved by herself but through collective effort and support. Her involvement in NHS, Interact, Ski and Snowboard Club, Varsity Club, Link Crew, FCA, Scrub Club and Student Council is indicative of her ability to work with others and find a common thread to achieve goals. The same approach and attitude by Addie in PE has made her a very strong leader who is constantly looking to improve and grow. She is never satisfied and wants to continue to get better at whatever she is pursuing.

Addie Rodriguez's leadership, work ethic, and teamwork are amazing qualities that have made her a standout individual. Her drive and intrinsic motivation are qualities that will carry her very far in life. It is my pleasure to declare Addie the recipient of the Burrowes Scholar in the field of Health and Physical Education for 2024.

**Annaliese Sauve****Social Studies****Mrs. Christy McCanna**

Annaliese Sauve embodies all of the qualities of a Burrowes scholar and is truly an all-around excellent student. In social studies classes, she is an outstanding asset and a pleasure to teach! In Accelerated American Cultures, Annaliese showed her interest in history and her ability to skillfully demonstrate her historical thinking skills. As a sophomore, she excelled in AP European History and she continues to shine in AP American Government and Politics. Annaliese had the opportunity to represent her class at the Capitol in the Senator for a Day program in Harrisburg. In Introduction to Law, she shows her natural speaking ability and above-average understanding of the law. She takes an active leadership role in many class activities and is always supportive of the social studies teachers. Throughout her years in high school, Annaliese has come to be a well-respected student among the social studies teachers, making her the obvious choice as our Burrowes scholar this year.

Outside of the classroom, Annaliese is an active member of several extracurricular activities. She is a member of the L-S Model UN team and she travels to participate in the conferences representing the nation of Germany in the World Health Organization. She earned the outstanding statesman and consensus builder awards for her amazing work in the Susquehanna Valley Model UN. Annaliese is a Link Crew leader, a member of the Student Council, National Honor Society, and an integral part of the mini-THON planning and executive committees, to name a few. She excelled as an attorney for the Mock Trial team this year and was chosen as the Best Advocate during the Mock Trial competition. Her ability to maintain academic excellence while also setting the bar very high in her extra-curricular activities is impressive. We are proud to have Annaliese as our Burrowes scholar this year!

**Alexander Weese****Science****Mrs. Tina Shockey**

The wise words of Henry David Thoreau echo profoundly when considering Alex: "Success usually comes to those who are too busy to be looking for it." Alex epitomizes a blend of quiet determination, unwavering focus, and disciplined work ethic within the classroom. With an unassuming demeanor, he diligently pursues success without seeking recognition, showcasing a remarkable level of maturity. His commitment to achievement, complemented by his innate intellectual abilities, enables him to explore scientific concepts as he aspires towards a career in medicine. Along with excellence in the classroom he takes part in a world that craves driven individuals, Alex stands out amongst his peers.

It is with great honor and privilege that I, as a representative of the High School Science department, announce Alexander Weese as the recipient of the 2024 Burrowes Scholar in Science award. Congratulations!

**Brynn Young****Mathematics****Mr. John Achille**

Brynn Young is a highly gifted math student. Daily, Brynn independently demonstrates the ability to persist in search for solutions to complex "messy" tasks. Brynn has a curiosity to learn mathematics and understand/grasp challenging content. She does not shy away from taking risks with mathematical concepts and strategies. Brynn asks thoughtful questions and is always anticipating what is going to happen next.

When I observe Brynn in class, I think of the word "calm." She is confident, communicates well with her classmates and teacher, and she knows how to keep her composure in demanding situations.

Brynn is focused and has set goals for herself. She plans to be an engineering major and hopes to become a biomedical engineer. Setting and achieving goals will contribute to developing skills for future success.

Brynn is pleasant in class and has a neat sense of humor. She is initiative-taking and is determined to always do her best. She is not satisfied with just completing problems, she wants to know "why" and "how" a concept works.

Her performance in AP Calculus is consistent with her previous grades in the subject. I predict that she will be successful and score a five on the national exam in May 2024.

It is with honor and pleasure that I proclaim Brynn Young Burrowes Scholar in the area of Mathematics.

**Carson Zook****Orchestra****Mr. Robert Shaubach**

It is with great pride that I recommend Carson Zook as the 2024 Lampeter-Strasburg High School Orchestra Burrowes Scholar. I have had the sincere pleasure of working with Carson in various ensembles for eight years, from grades four through 11. Even as a beginner string bass student in fourth grade, Carson showed exceptional talent, a strong desire to achieve, and a proclivity for personal expression through music.

Carson has successfully earned membership in the Lancaster-Lebanon County Orchestra and the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association District 7 Modern Band during the past several years. His musical contributions at Lampeter-Strasburg High School have included performing as a bassist in the orchestra and jazz ensembles as well as playing guitar in jazz ensemble and pit orchestra. He does all this while maintaining a challenging class schedule and excelling as an athlete. Carson is truly one of the most well-rounded young people I have had the pleasure of knowing.

All of the academic, musical, and athletic accomplishments are wonderful, and I truly appreciate Carson's involvement in all he undertakes. However, his most significant impact on our school and community is a direct result of his character. Carson's compassion, kindness, and willingness to serve others, without concern for personal gain, is exemplary and a key component of his achievements.

It is with great respect and admiration that I nominate Carson Zook as the Orchestra's Eleventh-Grade Burrowes Scholar for 2024.



## **Fifth-Grade Burrowes Scholars**

*The Class of 2031*

Front Row (from left) - Zoe Brody, Haley Grimm, Scarlett Flaud,  
Arabella Shehan, Riley Fraver, and Tristan Sokol

Middle Row - Eliana Gipe, Eve Staley, Nayliana McKinney,  
Anna Forry, Von Walter

Back Row - Carter Hufford, Kyla Burkhart, Natalisse Ojeda,  
Regan DeCoursey, Adelyn Dietzel, Caden Herr

Missing from photo: Marcos Colon and Cooper Goff





## **Eighth-Grade Burrowes Scholars**

*The Class of 2028*

Seated (from left) Morgan MacFeat, Lucy Boyd, Gabriella Coon,  
Middle Row - Isabel Henry, Providence Magras, Ashlynn Frey,  
Jillian Groff, Aila Reno, Elaina Strange, Ashlyn Donaldson  
Back Row - Elliot DeBruin, Benjamin Rimert,  
Carter Hess, Norah Steffy



## **Eleventh-Grade Burrowes Scholars**

*The Class of 2025*

Row 1 (from left) - Adelyn Rodriguez, Annaliese Sauve,  
Gianna Fasano, Lila Murdock, Drea Rice

Row 2 - Brynn Young, Ava Immel, Heron Gaudet, James Appelgrijn

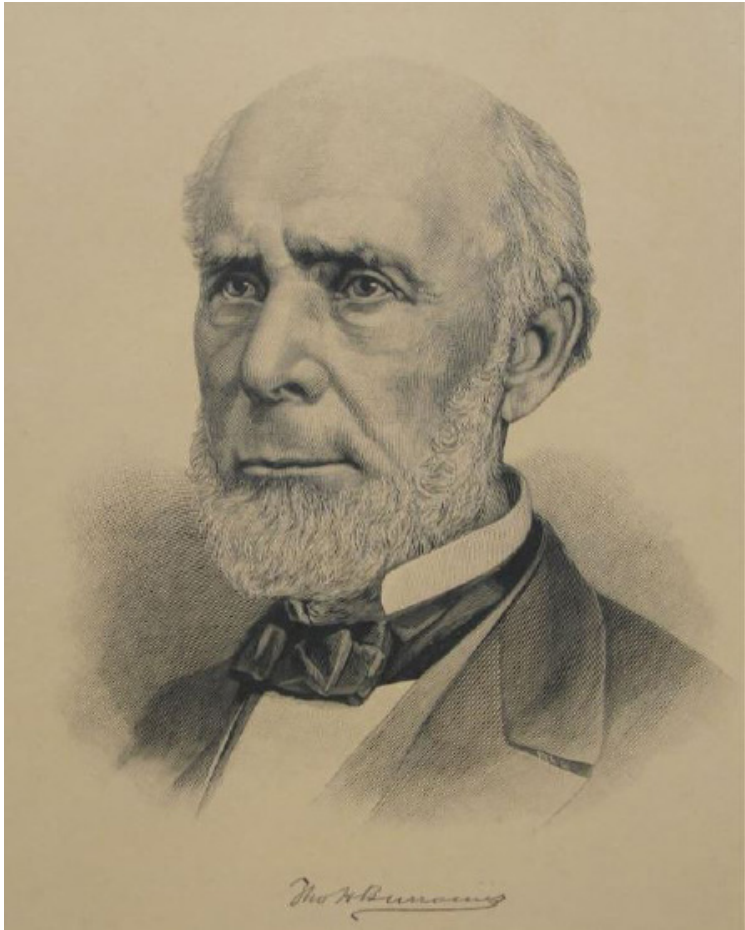
Row 3 - Alexander Weese, Emory Fluhr, Carson Zook,  
Truman Horst, Jeremiah Kennel, Van Dietrich, Riley Kurau

Not Pictured - Elizabeth Rhinier

Congratulations



2024 Burrowes Scholars



Thomas Henry Burrowes  
1805 - 1871