## COMMENDATIONS & RECOGNITIONS November 2020

## **HIGH SCHOOL**

Upper St. Clair High School's Speech & Debate team was recently named one of the Top 100 programs in the National Speech & Debate Association for the 2019-20 school year. Upper St. Clair ranked 50th out of more than 3,000 schools nationwide.

"Due to the incredibly high number of students involved in your speech and debate program and the degrees they have earned through competition, your school was named one of the top programs in the nation," J. Scott Wunn, NSDA executive director, said. "This is the most prestigious membership award the association can bestow upon a school."

## **BOYCE MIDDLE SCHOOL**

Two Boyce Middle School fifth graders were recently recognized for their work in the fourth annual Mahatma Gandhi Creative Writing and Art Contest. The event was conducted as part of the 2020 Mahatma Gandhi Birthday Celebration at Carnegie Mellon University.

Suhavi Singh, who placed in the top five, was recognized with the book, "Ghandi's Search for the Perfect Diet: Eating with the World in Mind." Iris Wang, whose artwork earned Honorable Mention, received a backpack for her efforts.

The contest, open to middle school students ages 10-14, asked young writers and artists to reflect on a time when they served their community in efforts to build peace and what actions they might take in the future that mirror Gandhi's commitment to serving communities, building peace, and action.