

**SENIOR
SCHOLARSHIPS
AND
AWARDS PROGRAM**

June 3, 2024

Scholarships

United States Military Academy West Point

Recipient: Christian Carillo

This student has been appointed to the United States Military Academy Preparatory School at West Point. This represents a great honor, which is only offered to a handful of civilian students across the United States.

Bergen County Directors of Guidance Scholarship

Recipient: Lydia Jung

This scholarship is presented to a student who has provided exemplary service to the school and community.

Chief Nicodemous Amicucci Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Christian Carrillo

This scholarship is presented to a student who is interested in serving the community. Mr. Amicucci was a science instructor and retired Chief of Police in Tenafly.

The Grace and Love Church Scholarship

Recipient: Sangwon Lee

This scholarship is presented to a Korean American student with a strong will, who is courageous, is considerate to others and works hard to achieve their goals even in difficult times.

Henry and Alice Redfield Award

Recipients: Lital Aburus
Sophia Wadiri

This award is presented to students for their demonstration of character and determination in the face of a hardship or other significant problem, while successfully completing their course of studies.

Gordon Wallace & Lewis Brown Memorial Award

Recipient: Hannah Bonilla
Kaylyn Yim

This award is presented to exceptional citizen-scholars who exemplify dedication and passion for the social sciences as well as a commitment to community service. This award is in memory and legacy of Gordon Wallace and Lewis Brown, esteemed educators and friends, who dedicated their lives to serving the students and community of Tenafly.

The Jenna's Rainbow Foundation Teen Action Group Leadership Award

Recipients: Gabrielle Eimbinder
Lila Wellisch

This award is presented to students for leadership of volunteers, commitment, mentorship, innovation communication and collaboration.

Kathryn Anne Lanz Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Sarah Forde

This scholarship is presented to a student who plans to pursue a career in the field of literature and/or journalism or who wishes to teach in those fields. The student possesses leadership qualities; is involved in community service, and has a love of reading and writing.

Korean Parents Association Scholarship

Recipients: Zoe Han
Somin Lee

This scholarship is presented to students who attended Tenaflly High School for at least three years, have actively participated in community service and/or demonstrated strong leadership.

Tenaflly Educational Foundation Karen Sperling Greene Memorial Scholarship for Volunteerism

Recipients: Farrah Israel
Jaylen Tang

This scholarship is presented to two students who have given significant personal time volunteering with a Tenaflly-based non-profit organization that serves the Tenaflly community and/or Tenaflly public schools. Preference is given to TEF Club leadership, TEF Student Reps and TEF 5K volunteers.

Tenaflly Administrators and Supervisors Association Scholarship

Recipient: Mira Shah

This scholarship is presented to a student who has shown outstanding leadership, service and character.

Tenaflly Education Association Scholarship

Recipients: Gabriella Eimbinder
Genaveve Phyles

This scholarship is presented to an aspiring teacher who shows exceptional promise and potential for excellence in the profession.

The Tenaflly Fire Association Scholarship

Recipients: Roni Golan
Ryan Tarabokjia
Ayla Uram

This scholarship is presented by the Tenaflly Fire Association to a student or students who have demonstrated outstanding community service. It is presented in honor of Milton "Moe" Leahy, past fire chief and beloved member of the department for over sixty years.

Tenaflly Library Friends Scholarship Award

Recipients: Ella Bareket
Joseph Naida

This award is presented to a student who has demonstrated four years of consistently excellent service to the Tenaflly Library as a program assistant in the library's Children's Department.

THS Home School Association – David E. Johnston Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Grace Chung

This scholarship is presented to a student who has demonstrated outstanding support of school activities while also maintaining an excellent academic record.

Tenaflly Italian Society Scholarship

Recipient: Anna Rosato

This scholarship is presented to a student of Italian heritage who has attended THS a minimum of two complete years. The student should be in good standing with a GPA of at least 3.0. The student is involved in the school community and participates in school activities.

Tenaflly PBA #376 Memorial Scholarship

Presenter – Jenny Ihn, Counselor

Recipients: Simon Hsieh
Sophie Jang

This scholarship is presented to those students who exhibit good character and service to the community.

Thomas J. Elefante Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Chloe Lee

This scholarship is presented to a student who has a passion for science and the outdoors/nature in addition to scholastic achievement in the area of science. The recipient has expressed an interest in pursuing the study of science at the post-secondary level.

Tenaflly Rotary Club/Jean Wolf Humanitarian Scholarship

Recipient: Deea Kapoor
Jake Pleva

This scholarship is presented to a student who has demonstrated academic achievement, exemplary character, and a commitment to serving the Tenaflly community.

Sydelle, Jules & Scott Lichtman Technology Achievement Scholarship

Recipient: Kai Song

This scholarship is presented to a student for excellence in STEM studies. Fondly remembering THS's first computerized Model UN exercise in 1984, overseen by history teacher, Richard Luther, and the pioneering work of Frank Piersa, the head of the math department, who managed the high school's

first on-site computer system, the Lichtman family is proud to support students who carry on this tradition of innovation and excellence.

Departmental Awards

English

The Creative Writing Award

Recipient: Ella Bareket

This award is presented to students who have demonstrated exceptional promise and accomplishments in Creative Writing. They are recognized for their outstanding work in all genres – fiction, non-fiction, poetry, and playwriting.

Literary Scholar Award

Recipient: Arpineh Halajian

The Literary Scholar award is given to a senior who throughout their years at Tenafly High School, has consistently demonstrated exceptional skill in literary studies across multiple genres and historical periods. They are exceptional in their original insight, contributions to discussions, and openness to new ideas, intellectual curiosity, gracefulness and astuteness in writing, and overall passion for reading and all things literary.

Publications Awards

Omega Award

Recipients: Ella Bareket

This award is presented to students distinguished for their outstanding service and dedication to *Omega*, the Tenafly High School literary journal.

Tenakin

Recipients: Grace Bosco
Leah Yechezkell

This award recognizes seniors who demonstrated initiative and enthusiasm for the yearbook process. Their creativity and effort helped ensure the production of an outstanding yearbook.

Echo

Recipients: Junhyoung (Edward) Kim

This award is presented to the senior editors-in-chief of the *ECHO*, Tenafly High School's news magazine, for their leadership in scholastic journalism.

Social Studies

Supervisor's Award

Recipient: Rana Albalawi

This award is presented to a senior with a genuine love of learning social studies and applies that learning to make his or her community a better place.

Social Studies Department Award

Recipient: Yuanning (Helen) Hui

This award is presented to a senior with an outstanding interest and ability in the subject.

Mathematics

Math Department Award

Recipient: Adityan Swaminathan

This award is presented to a senior student who has taken a full array of math courses and has maintained the highest academic record in those courses while demonstrating curiosity about and insight into mathematics.

Math Team Senior Award

Recipient: Alon Danai

This award is for outstanding competitive spirit and results during four years of high school in the BCML, NJML, CML, AMTNJ, Seton Hall, AMC and AIME competitions.

Science

The Science Department Award

Recipient: Andrew Lee

This award is presented to seniors who have taken the full array of science courses over the past four years and have achieved the highest academic average in those courses.

Society of Women Engineers

Recipient: Sophia Crosby

The Certificate of Merit is a national program administered by local sections of the Society of Women Engineers. Awards are given to honor young women having high achievement in science and mathematics and to encourage them to pursue engineering as a career goal. Award recipients must complete three years of science and mathematics with distinction, and must be active citizens of the school and/or community.

Technology Education Senior Award

Recipient: Jordan Twiss

Awarded to a student who has completed at least two Technology Education courses, achieved at least a 3.95 (A-) GPA in those courses, and displayed motivation to succeed, as well as have a strong interest in the program.

World Language

Outstanding Achievement Senior French Student

Recipient: Claudia Perales-Garcia

This award is presented to a senior who exhibits outstanding ability in French language and literature.

Outstanding Achievement Senior Spanish Student

Recipient: Kayla Cheng

This award is presented to a senior who exhibits outstanding ability in Spanish language and literature.

Outstanding Achievement Senior Italian Student

Recipient: Jake Pleva

This award is presented to a senior who exhibits outstanding ability in Italian language and literature.

Outstanding Achievement Senior Chinese Student

Recipient: Ariel Furumoto-Cheh

This award is presented to a senior who exhibits outstanding ability in Mandarin language and literature.

English Language Learners

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Recipient: Rana Albalawi

Presented to a student or students with an excellent average in ELL, who has been in the ELL program for at least one year, exhibited the qualities of leadership, helped with new arrivals, been an active participant in our school community, and exhibited exemplary behavior.

Visual Arts

Art Department Award

Recipient: Yuanning (Helen) Hui

Given to a student who has made significant contributions over the past four years to Tenafly High School through his/her artistic talent.

Art and Design Award

Recipient: Kyeongseo (Stella) Kim

Given to a student for their outstanding abilities in the visual arts department.

Computer Art Award

Recipient: Liri Doron

Presented to a Tenafly High School senior student who has demonstrated creativity, excellence, leadership skills and an outstanding work ethic in the area of Computer Animation.

Performing Arts

THS Music Department Award for Excellence

Recipients: Yuanning (Helen) Hui

Awarded to a graduating music student who has achieved superior mastery of his/her instrument and who has contributed to many facets of the Tenafly music program.

Madrigal Dinner Scholarship

Recipients: Grace Chung
Arpineh Halajian
Arda Oral

Awarded to students who demonstrated exceptional dedication to the Madrigal performance.

Practical Arts

Outstanding Student in Family and Consumer Studies Award

Recipient: Kayla Riley

Presented to a student who has taken a variety of family and consumer studies courses throughout his/her school career and excelled in each one.

Business Department Award

Recipient: Jack Israel

This award is given to the senior who has taken a number of courses in the Business Department, received a grade of A in all the coursework and has indicated a desire to major in a business subject in college and pursue a career in the field of business.

**Telecommunication and Multimedia Club
(THS-TV)**

Recipients: Grace Chung;
Ryan Forman;
Chris Piluso;
Evan Ralski;
Sangwon Lee

Presented to students for their four years of dedicated service to the Tenafly High School Television program, producing and directing morning show broadcasts and countless school events and video projects, including the Class of 2023 Video Yearbook.

Theater Club Award

Recipient: Jake Pleva

This award is given to a senior who has made the most unselfish contribution of their time, effort, and talent to the theater company of Tenafly High School.

Athletic Department Awards

NJSIAA Scholar Athlete Award

Recipient: Andrew Lee

The New Jersey State Interscholastic Athletic Association sponsors scholar-athlete award, presented to one senior athlete who has contributed greatly to his/her respective team while maintaining superior academic records over four years.

Bergen County Coaches Multi Sport Award

Recipient: Cole Mogensen
Michael Forde

Awarded to senior male athletes who have participated in multiple sport seasons throughout their high school career.

Bergen County Women Coaches Multi Sport Award

Recipient: Mikayla Barquin
Molly Cohen
Sophia Tapia

Awarded to senior female athletes who have participated in multiple sport seasons throughout their high school career.

Bergen County Coaches' Association Scholarship

Recipient: Hunter Escala

Awarded to a graduating senior at each of Bergen County's high schools. This scholarship honors the late Lou Lanzalotto, a central figure in the Bergen County Coaches' Association for many years. This scholarship is a reminder of his dedication to high school athletics and the youth of Bergen County.

Bergen County Women Coaches Scholarship

Recipient: Kay Considine
Zoe Han

The BCWCA Association award goes to two senior female athletes who have made a significant contribution in one or more programs by serving as a role model for her teammates in the areas of sportsmanship, integrity and enthusiasm.

Elton Lorimer Williams Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Devin Knause

This scholarship is awarded to a graduating senior who has demonstrated excellence in his/her academics, citizenship, and participation in sports.

Joe Glaser Memorial Scholarship

Recipient: Peter Binikos

Joe attended Tenafly High School and graduated in 1968. His participation in the wrestling program was his primary passion while there. He spent a lot of time and energy on team practice and was excited to culminate his tenure on the varsity team with a runner-up award at the County Winter Meet his senior year.

He was an exceptional husband, brother, son, and friend, exemplifying integrity, compassion, optimism, generosity, and gentleness of spirit. When accepting this gift in his memory, please remember Joe's wonderful attributes and go forward in this world to make a positive difference.

<h2><i>School Service Awards</i></h2>

The Class Advisor's Award

Recipient: Grace Chung

This award is presented to a student who demonstrates leadership. Leadership often takes place behind the scenes. Perhaps no one is in a better position to see this than the class advisor. This award recognizes outstanding dedication, integrity, and service above and beyond the call of duty..

The Distinguished Senior Award

Recipient: Zachary Shammash

Established by The Class of 1995, this award is presented to a graduating senior who, though not a class officer, has demonstrated exceptional service to the school, shown exemplary leadership, integrity, and character, and served as a role model for others. The recipient is chosen by a committee comprised of the senior class advisor and the senior class officers.

The Dr. Kontogiannis TIGER Award

Recipient: David Levine

Established by the Class of 2015, this award is presented annually in honor of Dr. Kontogiannis, our former principal who retired in 2015 after 37 years of service to Tenaflly High School. This is awarded to a senior who epitomizes the characteristics of a Tenaflly Tiger: T for Thoughtful, I for Involved, G for Grateful, E for Engaged, R for Responsible, and S for Serving. Through interactions with peers and other members of the school community, the award winner's behavior reflects Dr. K's motto of "HONOR THY CHILDREN."

The Principal's Award

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Recipient: Subin Pyo

This award is presented to the student whom the faculty selects as the strongest in leadership, service, character and scholarship; the same criteria for membership in the National Honor Society.