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2020 OHS Valedictorian & Salutatorian

Madelyn Hoffman
has been named as the
Valedictorian of the Class of
2020. She is the daughter of
Michael and Ellie Hoffman.
Madelyn will graduate
with an Advanced Regents
Diploma with Honors
and Mastery in Math and
Science. Throughout high
school, Madelyn has taken
dual-enrollment classes
offered by Jamestown
Community College and

St. Bonaventure University.

She participated in the New

Visions Health Professions

program through



Cattaraugus-Allegany BOCES her senior year.

Madelyn has been a member of Student Government (Treasurer), DECA, Thirst Project, Principal's Advisory Committee, Orchestra, Band, Varsity Cross Country, and Varsity Track & Field. Madelyn has competed at both the New York State DECA competition and the DECA International Career Development Conference in Orlando, Florida. Some community projects that she has been involved in are Homeless Huskies, Special Olympics Track & Field Day, Washington West Elementary Holiday Shop, and concessions at sporting events.

Madelyn has also volunteered over 150 hours at Olean General Hospital and coordinated the Healthy Huskies Flu Vaccination Clinic. Madelyn has received honors including 20-40 Point Sward for school involvement, induction into National Honor Society, Buffalo News All-Western New York Fall Scholar-Athlete, Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award, and was nominated as a 2020 Community All-Star through Independent Health and Business First.

Madelyn will be attending the University of Pittsburgh in the fall. She will be majoring in Biological Sciences with a minor in Neuroscience, as well as participating in the honors program.

Mackenzie Windus is the Salutatorian of the Class of 2020. She is the daughter of Tom and Amy Windus. Mackenzie will graduate with an Advanced Regents Diploma with Honors and Mastery in Math and Science.

She has participated in junior varsity basketball and varsity tennis, bowling, and track & field, and has been a



sectional representative for tennis and bowling. Mackenzie was named an All WNY Scholar Athlete for Tennis. She received the OHS Sportsmanship award for junior varsity basketball, varsity tennis and varsity track and field. Along with her involvement in OHS athletics Mackenzie has participated in many extracurricular activities including Homeless Huskies, Spanish Club, Model UN, TV Studio, the OHS Newspaper, Drama Club. Scholastic Challenge

and the St. Bonaventure University Summer Research Program. She is the President of National Honor Society and earned 20-40-60 Point Award for her extracurricular activities.

Mackenzie has also participated in the OHS Orchestra. Studio 107, Concert and Marching Band, Select Choir and Bel Canto. She has participated in Solo Festival, NYSSMA Area All State, and Houghton String Festival. She has been in the pit orchestra for "The Secret Garden," "Music Man," and "Oklahoma!" She was on stage as Chava in "Fiddler on the Roof" and Fantine in "Les Misérables." In our community Mackenzie has volunteered with several local nursing homes, Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, the St. John's Italian Festival, the Pink Pumpkin Project, and the Olean Cares Crohns & UC Walk. Mackenzie has participated in her local youth group, been an altar server for Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels, and she recently was named Altar Server of the Year for 2020. Mackenzie received honors including The George Eastman Young Leaders Award, The Harold Dutton Spotlight Student, Cattaraugus County Youth Citizenship Award, Exchange Club Youth of the Year, JCC College Connections Student of the Year and Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Award. Mackenzie worked as a cantor at Basilica of St. Mary of the Angels as well as a lifeguard and skate guard for the City of Olean.

Mackenzie has been awarded the Greenwalt Scholarship and will be attending Mount Holyoke College after graduation.



Class of 2020 Honor Graduates

Raina Barboza is the daughter of Beena Barboza and Job Barboza. Before moving to Olean and completing her senior year in Olean High School, she attended Greater Fort Erie Secondary School (GFESS) in Ontario, Canada for grades 9-10 then attended grade 11 in Corning-Painted Post High School in Corning, NY. When she was in GFESS, she received student excellence awards for her involvement in school activities and academic career. Raina was part of the yearbook and newspaper clubs as a photographer and graphic designer in her Canadian school. Likewise, she took part in the Multicultural Club, Art Club, and the Concert Band where she played the flute. Moreover, Raina was part of an international drama critique club, Cappies: High School Critics and Awards Program, where she traveled to regional schools to judge their theatre performance while representing her school. She also was selected to be part of her Canadian's school team to compete at the regional level in the Niagara Envirothon Competition, an environmental and science competition. While being in 11th grade in Corning-Painted Post High School, Raina was part of the Coding for Girls Club, volunteered at local elementary schools for the annual Hour of Code to encourage coding, and became part of the National Honor Society. In addition, she received the Corning Museum of Glass Judges Choice Art Award Graphic Media Design for her graphic media design entry in the regional art

show. As well, Raina was awarded the Corning Incorporated Award of Excellence in Biology Honors. As an OHS student, she entered the national Congressional App Challenge and won in the congressional district. In addition, Raina has volunteered for the Souper Bowl of Caring. Throughout her high school career, Raina has taken many rigorous high school courses, including dual enrollment courses for Jamestown Community College and St. Bonaventure, and has maintained high honor roll grades throughout her high school career. After graduation, Raina will be attending Alfred University and will major in Mechanical Engineering.

Cait Butler is the daughter of Kathleen and Thomas Butler. She is a member of DECA, Model UN, National Honor Society, and Z-Club. Cait is President of A World with Water Club, which provides clean water wells to the Kingdom of Eswatini, Africa. She is the President of the Spanish Club, student leader of Souper Bowl of Caring, team captain of Scholastic Challenge, and is the Secretary of Student Activities and Recreation in the Student Activities Council (SAC). Cait is a recipient of the 20-40-60 point award, and has poetry published in the Gifted Penman's Poetry Collection. She is an alumnus of the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership, which led her to organize a clean-up of the St. Bonaventure Grotto during her junior year. Cait is a member of the Olean High School volleyball team. She has also participated in Jazz Band, Orchestra, Bel Canto, Select Choir, along with being a percussionist in two school musicals. In addition to her participation in the arts programs at Olean High School, Cait is also avid in local theatre. She has participated in the classes, high school shows, and regular season plays at the Olean Theater Workshop, and has also performed in shows at Olean Community Theater and Ray Evans Seneca Theater. She has been accepted to the New York State Summer School of the Arts (NYSSSA) School of Theatre for this summer. Cait will be attending Baldwin Wallace University in the fall with a dual degree in Business Management and a Theatre BA.

John Carlson is the son of Emma and John Carlson Sr. John participated in varsity tennis and soccer. He is a member of National Honor Society, Bel Canto and Digital Art based Independent Study. At school he volunteered in the Oak Hill Park Cleanup, and Special Olympics Unified Sports Day. He was in this year's school play as Enjolras in "Les Miserables." John will be going to RIT and majoring in Biomedical Sciences with a minor in 3D Digital Design.

Isabelle Crosson is the daughter of Sean and Carolyn Crosson. Isabelle participated in varsity swimming for two years, varsity cross country for one year, and junior varsity and varsity





track for two years. She is a member of the National Honor Society and participated in Spanish Club. Isabelle was a member of Chorus for two years and has been an active member of the Band for all four years of high school. The band participated in two NYSSMA competitions placing silver both times. She has also done Solo Festival and All-County for band. Isabelle traveled to Costa Rica as part of a school trip. She also made the JCC Part-Time Student Dean's List. Isabelle has spent time volunteering at the SPCA. She participated in several volunteer opportunities including serving food or helping with set up of chairs and tables during the St. Johns Festival, Rebuilding Together, and the Corporate Challenge. After high school she plans on attending a fouryear university to obtain a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology.

Destiny Custer is the daughter of Kim and Keith Custer. She has participated in volleyball and track and field. She was named a Volleyball All-Star by the Chautaugua Cattaraugus Athletic Association her sophomore, junior, and senior year, and was named to the All-WNY team senior vear. She received the Most Valuable Player award for volleyball her sophomore and junior year along with the Most Valuable Defense award her senior year. Along with her commitment to Olean High School volleyball she was also involved with JAVA and Octane travel volleyball teams. She is a member of the National Honor Society and is the President of Media and Relations for Student Activities

Council. At school, she volunteered for No One Eats Alone, Oak Hill Park Clean Ups, Homeless Huskies, and Special Olympics/Unified Sports Day. Destiny will be majoring in Pharmacy at Butler University in Indianapolis, Indiana.

Robert Dempsey is the son of Robert and Lyn Dempsey. He is a member of the National Honor Society and has maintained high honors for all semesters. Robert participated in varsity tennis for three years and was awarded the Coach's Sportsmanship Award. He has participated in Homeless Huskies, Souper Bowl of Caring, and has volunteered at the local library. Robert will be pursuing a degree in Engineering this fall.

Makavla Folts is the daughter of Scott and Lisa Folts. She has participated in varsity cross country, tennis, basketball, and track and field. She was an Honorable Mention for Section VI All-WNY Scholar-Athlete for tennis and basketball. For her first and final year of tennis, she received the Doubles Award and was named Team Captain for basketball. She also played AAU travel basketball while at Olean. During her years at OHS. she was an active member in National Honor Society, Student Council, Principal Advisory Council, Spanish Club, and DECA. She was Treasurer for her class and DECA. Makayla was a member of Concert Choir, Select Choir, and Band. Makayla volunteered for Homeless Huskies, Sports Boosters, Unified Basketball, IAABO Basketball tournament, Genesis House Gala, and Oak Hill Park clean ups. Because of her exceptional involvement she was awarded the 20-40 Point Award. Makavla is also very active within the community. She has volunteered for the Gift Tree, Gus Macker Basketball Tournament, Salvation Army, and the Women's Bartlett Country Club Member Guest golf tournament. She enjoyed spending her summers coaching junior swimmers at Bartlett Country Club during their summer swim league. After graduation ,Makayla will attended Duquesne University majoring in Physical Therapy adding a dual degree with Athletic Training.

Nicholas Fratercangelo is the son of Anthony and Lisa Fratercangelo. During his years at Olean High School. Nick was a member of the football and baseball team. He was a four year starter for the varsity football team and two year captain being named the 2017 and 2018 Team Defensive MVP and 2019 Team MVP. Nick was selected as a Class B All-Star for all four years he participated on the varsity football team. He was also honored as a Top B3 Defensive Player for the 2018 and 2019 seasons. Nick has been selected as a 2019 Big 30 All-Star and will participate in the 47th annual Big 30 All-Star Charities Classic on August 1st. Nick is a member of the National Honor Society. Nick will attend Alfred University with a major in Athletic Training to assist him in pursuing a career as a Physical Therapist. In the fall, Nick will also be a member of the Alfred Saxons Football team.





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Brookelinn Garey is the granddaughter of Brian and Pat McAllister. She has participated in tennis, basketball, and track throughout her high school career. She is a member of the National Honor Society and has made high honor roll for four years. She has taken many dual enrollment courses through Jamestown Community College and was selected to be in the New Visions program her senior year, which is in conjunction with Jamestown Community College and BO-CES. Through this medical program, Brookelinn received several college credits and was able to have many experiences at Olean General Hospital during her clinical rotations. Brookelinn participated in Student Council for two years and was SAC Executive Secretary her senior year. She belongs to Spanish Club and DECA, where she was able to go to States two of the three years she participated. Brookelinn has been involved in many community service projects such as Homeless Huskies, the Souper Bowl of Caring, Sports Boosters, Special Olympics, and volunteered for the Gus Macker, Walmart, Washington West, Basilica of St Mary of the Angels, and the Salvation Army. Brookelinn received the 20-40 Point Award for her achievements and is in the top 10% of her class. Brookelinn will be attending Syracuse University in the fall on a track to become a Physician Assistant.

Chloeann Halladay is the daughter

of Amy and Thad Halladay. She was a football cheerleader for her junior and senior year and cheer captain for senior year. She was involved in Olean Theatre workshop for 4 years, and school musicals since 9th grade, "Oklahoma," "Music Man," "Fiddler on the Roof" and "Les Miserables." She was in Drama Club, Bel Canto, 4-H during high school and in National Honor Society. She plans on going to University of Central Florida and majoring in Psychology.

Lyllia Hennard is the daughter of James Hennard and Ashley O'Brien. She received the Harold Dutton Award and an honorable mention in a poetry contest at the Olean Public Library. She was a manager for the track team her sophomore year. She was involved in the Film Club and Science Club through high school; she was also the President of the Gay Straight Alliance. She often volunteered at the high school library and media center while also caring for dogs and cats at the ASPCA. She works at the William O. Smith Recreation Center from 2019-2020. She will be attending JCC in the fall and major in English Literature

Graham Charles Kinnaird is the son of Dave & Kristan Maiolo and Matt & Lindsey Burroughs. He has participated in soccer, swimming/diving, pole vaulting in track, tennis, Bel Canto, Solo Fest, and All County. He received the Cattaraugus

County Sportsmanship Award, Honorable Mention for Scholar Athlete for both soccer and swimming seasons. Simultaneous to his involvement in OHS athletes, he was selected for the HOBY leadership seminar, has been an active member of the National Honor Society, and has made the JCC's Part-Time Student Dean's List and St. Bonaventure University. He's an active member of his hometown church Believers Chapel and was selected amongst his teachers to receive Restoring Faith in Humanity Award. At school he was also involved with the Thirst Project raising money for wells in Africa. He participated in the SPCA Rock and Run 5K with his dad raising money for educational programs and classical programing. He will be attending RIT to study Chemical Engineering.

Daniel Klein is the son of Roger and Toni Klein. He has participated in basketball and tennis. He was named Scholar Athlete for basketball. His basketball season was cut short during his senior year. Dan was also the Treasurer of National Honor Society and a member of the 20-40 Point Award. For his senior year, he was selected to participate in the New Vision- Health Professions Program at BOCES. He also participated in DECA and went to states during his senior year. He was also the President of Activities and Recreation for SAC. At school, he volunteered in Sports Boosters, Homeless Huskies, and Unified Basketball. In





the community, he has volunteered for the Pink Pumpkin Project, Rally in the Valley, and the Genesis House. Dan plans to go to the University of Buffalo to study Mechanical Engineering.

Kayla Knight is the daughter of James and Kathleen Wright. She has been actively involved in many extracurricular activities while attending OHS. She has served as a member of the Principal's Advisory Committee, Student Council Secretary, and National Honor Society. She has been involved in Band, stage crew for Olean school plays, Water Club, Film Club, Liberty Partnership, and Homeless Huskies. She was a Varsity Scholar Athlete with her participation in varsity track and tennis. She also was a member of the junior varsity soccer team. She received the 40 Point Award in her junior year. She was the winner of the Best Editing Award and Best Film Award at the Southern Tier Film Festival of 2019. Her volunteer work includes Canticle Farms, Special Olympics, Oak Hill Park Clean Up, and Olean Community Theatre. She will attend her dream school: The Rochester Institute of Technology in the fall and study Motion Picture Science. She received the RIT Presidential Scholarship, the most prestigious merit-based award offered by RIT.

Michael Lambert is the son of Bart and Linda Lambert. He was active in soccer, golf and Ski Club during his high school career. In addition to athletics, Michael participated in DECA in both his junior and senior year and placed top 10 overall at the New York DECA Career Conference. During

his senior year, he was the Treasurer for the Student Activities Council. He is a member of the National Honor Society, and a graduate of the Young Entrepreneurs Academy. Over the summer of 2019, he was chosen to participate in a STEM Research program at St. Bonaventure University. Michael always worked hard in the classroom as shown by his academic achievements. He was chosen to be on the JCC's Part-Time Student Dean's List. Last year during spring break, he traveled to Costa Rica as part of a school trip. Michael also enjoys volunteering in the community. Some of his favorite experiences included working with Bona Responds and Rebuilding Together. In addition, he has volunteered with the Olean Chamber of Commerce, St. John's Italian Festival, Southern Tier Symphony, and the SPCA. Michael is planning to attend the University of Dayton where he will major in Mechanical Engineering.

Raymond Lin is the son of Xiang (Jerry) and Xiu Fang Lin. Raymond has participated in many school clubs throughout his high school career including being a member of the National Honor Society. He has been part of the French Club serving as both the Treasurer during his freshman year and as Vice-President during his junior year. Raymond has also been an active member of the Science Club for the past three years and is an active member of the Chess club of which he is Co-Vice-President. Raymond has also participated in Model UN in his senior year and DECA for the past two years. He has also volunteered in the Pink Pumpkin Project, helped clean Oak

Hill Park with Mrs. Brown and helped gift-wrap student's gifts for Christmas at Washington West. Raymond will be attending Stony Brook University to major in Business Administration with a potential minor in Computer Science.

Maxwell Linderman is the son of Kris and Rachel Linderman. He participated in junior varsity basketball, varsity soccer, tennis, and football. He was selected for the CCAA West 2nd Team All-Stars for soccer during his sophomore year and the CCAA West 1st Team All-Stars his junior and senior year. He plays soccer year-round with the Western New York Flash and have participated in the Corporate Cup his junior year and senior year. For tennis, he participated in counties his sophomore and junior years. He volunteers for TopSoccer, soccer for kids with disabilities, and he is the Media Relations Secretary for the Student Activities Council. He is a member of the National Honor Society. He will attend Alfred State College to get his Bachelor's in Health Sciences and will be playing soccer.

Elisamaria Martel is the daughter of Mike and Kathleen Martel. She has participated in varsity swimming, junior varsity track, varsity track, National Honor Society, Academic Excellence, Scholar Athlete, Homeless Huskies, Can Drives, SMA Youth Group, and EMAC swim team. She volunteered at SMA Spaghetti Dinner, Basilica Festival. She will be going to JCC in Olean for Nursing and plans on continuing her education after graduation to become a Nurse Practitioner.





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Samuel Mest is the son of Steve and Angela Mest. He has participated in football and golf. He was selected to play in the Big 30 All-Star game for football. He also received the Walter Reisner Award, and was a Trench Trophy Awardee. He is a member of National Honor Society. He was a volunteer with Unified Special Olympics for many years. He has also volunteered with the Souper Bowl of Caring and Special Olympics Track and Field Day. He has participated in Student Government for the last two years, serving as class Treasurer as a junior and President of the Treasury for the Student Activities Council. He received a Scholarship of Distinction from West Virginia University and will major in Sports Management.

Marina Miketish is the daughter of Sarah Zalwsky and Mark Miketish. She has participated in soccer, basketball, indoor and outdoor track and field. She was named an All Western NY Scholar Athlete for Soccer by the Buffalo News and a Big 30 Girls Soccer All-Star by the Olean Times Herald. She was also awarded the CCAA Sportsmanship Award, and twice named as a CCAA 1st Team All-Star for track and field, along with a CCAA Honorable Mention for Basketball and a CCAA 2nd Team All-Star for soccer. Marina currently holds the Olean High School Record for High Jump. She is also a member of National Honor Society, Student

Council, DECA, Spanish Club, and a member of the OHS 20-40 Point Award. She has volunteered for Homeless Huskies, the Special Olympics/ Unified Sports Day, and Shop with a Cop Gift Wrapping. In the community, she has volunteered at the Epic Church Back to School Giveaways and Clothing Drive, along with the Gus Macker Basketball Tournament and the SPCA Gift Wrapping. Marina participated in many rigorous courses, including some dual-enrollment courses through Jamestown Community College, while managing to maintain high honor roll grades throughout high school. After graduation. Marina will attend SUNY Alfred State School of Technology, where she will study Mechanical Engineering Technology with a minor in Mechatronics.

Alexander Peterson is the son of Ron and Amy Peterson. Alexander has participated in cross country, track and field, Film Club, Ski Club, Chess Club, and Z Club. He is an award-winning member of Olean High School's Model United Nations Team. Alexander served as the President of the Olean High School Science Club since his sophomore year and President of the Student Activities Council during his senior year. He was also a student representative in the Olean City Schools District Foundation and a member of the Principal's Advisory Council and the National Honor Society. Alexander has volunteered in Homeless Huskies, the Warming

House, the Olean Area Exceptional Track and Field Day, No One Eats Alone Day, and several Oak Hill Park cleanups. He has also volunteered in the Souper Bowl of Caring where he served as Student Coordinator during his senior year. Alexander was awarded the 20-40 Point Award for his extracurricular activities throughout high school. He will be attending Alfred State College, where he will be majoring in Electrical Engineering.

Hannah Pfeffer is the daughter of Florence and Jeremy Pfeffer. Hannah participated in many rigorous courses throughout her high school career including dual enrollment classes through Jamestown Community College. Hannah was a member of the Band and Orchestra, and National Honor Society. Hannah had also been part of the soccer team for four years where she had been recognized with the Sportsmanship Award and Coaches Award. Hannah plans on attending Jamestown Community College to receive her RN license. After JCC, Hannah plans on advancing her career to become an Oncologist.

Arhum Rabbani is the son of Shazia Rafi. He has played football for five years and tennis for two years. He made counties for tennis last year. He is in National Honor Society and a member of the Ski Club. He helped pick up and deliver cans for the Souper Bowl of Caring. He plans on becoming an orthopedic surgeon in the future.





Merek Rivera is the son of Nelson and Angela Rivera. Merek has proven his worth by reaching high honor roll each marking quarter. During this time, Merek was enrolled in multiple college courses through Jamestown Community College, and one through St. Bonaventure University. Merek plans to take his earned credits and pursue further education in the field of Business Administration as part of the JCC+SBU program.

Cecilia Ruszkowski is the daughter of Dave and Sarah Ruszkowski. She is a member of the National Technical Honor Society and volunteers at the SPCA twice a week. She is attending Alfred State in the fall for Veterinary Technology with hopes of attending a vet school.

Gabrielle Schulze is the daughter of Warren and Renee Schulze. She has participated in varsity tennis. Gabrielle has been a member of the National Honor Society, the 20 Point Award, and was selected to be in the New Vision Health Professions Program at BOCES during her senior year. She has been in dual enrollment classes through St. Bonaventure and Jamestown Community College. At school, she participated in Homeless Huskies, Holiday Gift Wrapping at Washington West, and the Special Olympics/Unified Sports Day. She participated in Film Club, Science Club, Television Studio, and The Thirst Project. She has been accepted into the Nursing Program at Jamestown Community College.

Sophie Sova is the daughter of Wayne and Joy Sova. Sophie has participated in varsity tennis, National Honor Society, Student Government, National Honor Society, and the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Conference. Sophie was an active member in many clubs such as DECA, Olean Area Youth Court, French Club, Science Club, Z Club, and Principal's Advisory Board. Sophie has received the Ann Lee Hancock Konneker Cutler Scholar Award, and will be attending Ohio University to pursue an Early Education degree.

Jillian Stevens is the daughter of Kathleen Stevens. Jillian has been a dancer at Neighborhood School of Dance for thirteen years and has been a Dance Teacher's Assistant throughout her high school career. For her senior year, Jillian was selected to participate in the New Vision- Health Professions Program at BOCES logging many hours in the medical field. She participated in many rigorous courses throughout this program and her high school career. Jillian has volunteered at the St. John's Festival for four years and helped with the St. John's religious' education filling luminary bags for two years. She has been a member of A World with Water Club, DECA Business Club, Zonta Z-Club, Chorus, National Honor Society, the OHS 20 Point Award and was the Cattaraugus County Youth Bureau Youth of the week in December. She has helped with the Olean's Unified Special Olympics and has participated in the Homeless Huskies Program for five years. Along with her extracurricular

activities, Jillian works part-time at the Beef N Barrel. Jillian will be attending SUNY Cortland and will major in Biomedical Sciences with a focus of Pre-Medicine where she looks forward to helping children.





6000 Luck To Our OHS Seniors!

Cole J. Anastasia – St. Bonaventure University

Jeremy M. App II - Alfred State

Sabin M. Barber - Employment

Raina J. Barboza - Alfred University

Madeline M. Barta - Buffalo State

Jerimiah S. Billingsly - Employment

Matthew K. Brenneman - Employment

Jared M. Burton - SUNY Fredonia

William P. Burton - JCC

Cait S. Butler - Baldwin Wallace University

Ryan G. Byrne - Employment

John C. Carlson - RIT

Jake A. Carpenter - Employment

Isabella A. Carucci – Oneonta College

Sayber D. Cashimere – JCC

Garrett D. Chase - JCC

Jeremiah C. Crivelli - Employment

Tyler M. Crivelli – Ivy Tech Community College

Devonte M. Connor – New Mexico State University

Jacob W. Crawford - Employment

Trevor J. Crolle - Employment

Damani A. Crolle II - National Guard

Isabelle R. Crosson - University of Dayton

Destiny L. Custer - Butler University

ThaiTyeena M. Davis - JCC

Robert D. Dempsey - University of Buffalo

Sydnie E. Ellman – JCC + SBU Program

Charles T. Enderby - Employment

Kaitlynn A. Ensell - JCC + SBU Program

Makayla S. Folts - Duquesne University

Quinn V. Forrest – Tompkins Cortland

Community College

Alexander W. Franz - Employment

Nicholas A. Fratercangelo – Alfred University

Gage E. Gardner - JCC

Brookelinn S. Garey - Syracuse University

Marissa K. Gayton – Niagara County Community College

Continuinty College

Samantha M. Gibbons - JCC

Elyse G. Graham – St. Bonaventure University

Colin M. Greenstein - Employment

Chloeann P. Halladay - University of Central Florida

Trinity L. Halstead - JCC

Olivia E. Ham - Adult Education BOCES

Nicholas T. Hargis - Employment

Lydia K. Hendrix - Mohawk Valley Community College

Lyllia S. Hennard - JCC

Madelyn G. Hoffman – University of Pittsburgh

Nathan R. Howard - JCC

Nolan D. Hurlburt – Jamestown Business College

Wahcovi E. James – Florida A & M University

Quinton P. Jordan – Medaille College

Ryan A. Kasperski – Employment

Lorena E. Keirstead - Employment

William E. Kelley - Employment

Anthony C. Kenyon - JCC

Madisyn N. Ketchner - JCC

Graham C. Kinnaird - RIT

Madison M. Kirby - JCC

Owen A. Kirsch - JCC

Daniel J. Klein - University of Buffalo

Kayla M. Knight - RIT

Roy D. Kuhn - JCC

Gavin R. Kulp - JCC

Michael J. Lambert - University of Dayton

Tre M. LaRue - Medaille College

Dillan M. Leavitt - Alfred State

Raymond Lin – Stony Brook

Maxwell R. Linderman - Alfred State College

Elisamaria H. Martel - JCC

Marcus D. Martinelli - JCC

Nathaniel L. McClain - Marines

Samuel N. Mest – West Virginia University

Brendan R. Meyers - Employment

Marina M. Miketish - Alfred State

Belladara J. Mondo - Employment

Bradey M. Moore - Employment

Eleanor C. Orcutt - Mercyhurst University

Keymora L. Owens - Employment

McKenna M. Parker – Indiana University of

Pennsylvania

Alexander J. Peterson - Alfred State

Hannah O. Pfeffer - JCC

Ta'Shanti R. Phillips - JCC

Sebastian Pratt - Employment

Chloe M. Proctor – Nazareth College

Arhum Rabbani – St. John Fisher College

Reyna I. Reisner – Fredonia

Sophia R. Renaud – Mercyhurst University

Megan H. Ritchie - Employment

Merek N. Rivera - JCC + SBU Program

Makenzie H. Rossman - JCC

Cecilia H. Ruszkowski – Alfred State

Henry A. Scanlon – Alfred State

Gabrielle R. Schulze - JCC

Rieley M. Scott - JCC

Walter M. Shales - Employment

Jaret M. Shearer - Employment

Alek M. Shubert - Employment

Korryn M. Simon - JCC

Cheyenne M. Smith - JCC

Noah K. Smith - Employment

Sophie A. Sova – Ohio University

Vincent L. Sterner – Alfred State

Jillian N. Stevens – SUNY Cortland

Brayen H. Tascone - Employment

Jakob E. Theodore – JCC + SBU Program

Samantha M. Thomas – Cleveland State University

Brendan C. Thurston - JCC

Emma D. Valentin - JCC - Jamestown

Arielle M. Vaughn - Employment

Holly C. Vincent - Bloomsburg University of

Pennsylvania **Austin F. Vitaro** – JCC

Justin A. Warner - United States Marine Corps

Tabitha C. White - Employment

Mackenzie P. Windus – Mount Holyoke

College
Sylvan M. Withey – JCC



Message from the Superintendent

THE BIGGEST THANK YOU

When our family decided to return to Olean the reason was simple, it was the people of Olean.

We often hear there are nice people everywhere which is true. But, there is something special about the City of Olean and Olean City School District.

It was not obvious at first, but a longtime friend told me when I first moved here many years ago, "Watch out! Once that Allegheny River mud gets between your toes, it is hard to leave."

There is a strong sense of community. Olean, although a small city, it is a city. We have wealthy people, middle class, and poverty like all big cities. We have people of all faiths. We have a wide variety of citizens of all types of national, religious, and ethnic backgrounds. We have citizens with a wide variety of political and social outlooks, yet we all contribute and we all get along for the good of our school and for the good of our community.

At the Olean City School District, we all learn to get along and embrace our many differences. We tend to focus on those things we have in common, like the red and gold. We grow up to care for one another. Everyone is part of the "Husky Pack."

The graduating class of 2020 is a fine example of this "Husky" ethic. Due to COVID-19, our students have had the rug pulled out from under them in their senior year of high school. They were, to some extent, cheated of a rite of passage but we have not heard one student complain. Like true Huskies they have made the best out of a difficult situation. Our students as our pep song states are: "rough and ready." We could not be more proud of our graduates and their families for the grit and fortitude they have displayed during these difficult times.

Nothing illustrates this better than how the Olean City School District and the Olean community pulled together to face perhaps our country's greatest challenge in its history, as we faced COVID-19. Sunday, March 15th, a day of rest, found the Olean City School District's Administrative Council meeting for hours to devise a plan that would first take care of our students and their families. Second, we wanted to ensure our students' education was continued. Together we developed and implemented a plan to help and teach remotely to ensure all of our students and family's educational needs were met.

Over the past three months the Olean City School District has fed approximately a 1,000 students breakfasts and lunches daily. We had employees volunteer to put their own health on the line to guarantee students were fed and received a continuous education in spite the COVID-19 quarantine.

During this time, we never heard an unkind word or complaint. Everyone knew what the task at hand was and they got it done. It is great to be part of a school district and a community where we all have each other's back. We want to thank everyone for a job well done!

There are some debts in life too great to repay. Sometimes the actions taken by individuals and groups are so enormous that no amount of gratitude can ever repay them. In the end all one can do is simply say, "thank you" and be appreciative of these lifelong friendships.

Thank you Olean City School District! Thank you to the great City of Olean and all who reside in our wonderful community.

You often hear the statement: "the whole is greater than the sum of its parts." If you have ever coached, played on a team, or worked with an amazing group of people, you have probably observed this phenomenon called synergy. Or as we refer to it in the Olean City School District: "when all the huskies pull the sled together we accomplish miracles".

Thank you all for everything you did, are doing, or intend to do to help us all conquer COVID-19.

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Sincerely,

Rick Moore









Thank you to Mrs. Martin and her kindergarten class for their appreciation song and presentation to the OSF Board of Directors (3-4-2020).

This class had received a "Learning Through Play" Grant!

News From OLEAN SCHOOLS FOUNDATION...

410 W. Sullivan St. Olean, NY 14760 www.oleanschoolsfoundation.org ocsdfoundation@gmail.com

A 501c (3) organization that fundraises to support: Academic Enrichment Grants, as well as the Olean City School District Wall of Honor

ANNOUNCING THE OCSD WALL OF HONOR CLASS OF 2020 INDUCTEES

The 2020 OCSD Wall of Honor induction ceremony has been postponed due to the COVID-19 pandemic. We will honor these inductees with the 2021 inductees in June 2021. Congratulations inductees!

Michael L. Domboski, D.M.D. - OHS '68 William J. Gabler, J.D. - OHS '70 Steven L. Suib, PHD. - OHS '71

2019-2020 FUNDRAISERS -TO SUPPORT GRANTS AND THE WOH!

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic., 2 of the 3 fundraisers the OSF uses to support our grant approvals and the OCSD Wall of Honor awards, needed to be cancelled.

Only our Cattaraugus Gives Day (online giving) was successfully held on Dec. 3, 2020.

SO... WATCH THIS SPACE FOR DETAILS ON...

A "Night at the Races" (May) 2021

The Red and Gold Golf Scramble and Raffle (June)2021

(We're going to need to make up for "lost time!)

OSF IS PROUD OF ALL THE 2019-2020 OSF GRANTS APPROVED:

Authors Everywhere Grant – EV Letters Alive Grant -WW & EV Book Worm Reading Books – WW & EV Leaders' Lounge – EV Support the OHS Band Grant – OHS

Ukuleles Grant – EV

Community Outreach Van Wrap - OCSD

Outdoor Play Grant – EV
We Are Authors – OIMS
Huskie Reading Cushions – WW
Pi Day Competition – OHS
3-D Printers for Makerspace – OIMS
Math Activities Grant – EV

Whale Watch Activities Grant - OHS

ACCEPTING GRANT APPLICATIONS FOR 2020-2021 SCHOOL YEAR APPLICATION FORMS AND INSTRUCTIONS FOUND ON:

www.oleanschoolsfoundation.org

Looking forward...with Huskie Hope!



HAPPY RETIREMENT TO THE FOLLOWING EMPLOYEES. YOU WILL BE MISSED!



Karen Caya, **Teacher Aide**



Monika Harris, School Nurse



Diane Ksionzyk, Teacher Aide



Jennifer Rhody-Marvin, **Music Teacher**



Csobanka Woodworth,

Director of

Technology



Barbara Volz, **Teacher Aide**

Happy Retirement! Thank you for your dedication, motivation, and patience. OIMS will ot be the same without Mrs. Kallenbach Mrs. Bush May every day and every moment be full Mrs. Grosso





Kulp and Miketish Earn Athletic Honors at OHS

Olean High School seniors Gavin Kulp and Marina Miketish earn athlete of the year honors at OHS. Kulp, a standout in both football and wrestling, earned the male senior athlete of the year award. During the football season, Kulp was named to the Big 30 football all-star team as well as a 1st team league all-star and team offensive player of the year (breaking the school's single season reception record). As a wrestler, Kulp leads the school in career wins with 194. He was also a Big 30 wrestling all-star, Division 1 all-star, Class B Champion, and came in 5th at the state tournament at 160lbs.

Miketish, a standout in both soccer and track & field, earned the female athlete of the year award. During the soccer season, Miketish was named to the Big 30 soccer all-star team as well as a 1st team CCAA all-star and team coaches award winner. As a track athlete, Miketish holds the school records in both the Pentathlon and High jump. She was also the team's Most Valuable Runner and placed 3rd in Sectionals.



News From OIMS



A DAY AT HOGWARTS

Cari Matejka's class read Harry Potter on Zoom. They dressed up for "Hogwarts" when they had class. In Science, they studied Properties of Matter - and used that to make potions. They made an edible creative concoction that helped them write to the sorting hat to persuade him which house they should be in.















OIMS 6/7 Academic Distinction Students

The following sixth and seventh grade students obtained at least a 90% average in all of their core classes (Math, ELA, Social Studies, and Science) during the first three marking periods of the 2019-2020 school year. This is an outstanding level of academic distinction and we are all very proud of these wonderful middle school scholars. Great job Students!

Sixth Grade

Bates, Anna Bohdanowycz, Adrian Brown, Jabrevah Budaj, Aaron Carter, Mallory Caya, Finnian Crawford, Miley Cygan, Brynn Dowdell, Connor Durphy, Serenity Dyal, Lauren Eaton, Braelyn Finch, Ava Harris, Victoria Kratts, Kavlin Mercer, Gina Mest, Joseph Miles, Austin Morgan, Samantha Moses, Ava Richardson, Leah Sibilio, Mia Smith, Sage

Smucinski-O 'Brien, Grady

Teachman, Taylor Torres, Braylon

Seventh Grade

Bader, Michael
Borer, Ava
Boutillette, Cavan
Cassford, Autumn
Churakos, Arayah
DeRose, Molly
Edwards, Emma
Gonzalez, Jackson
Hoffman, Sullivan
Kielar, Brennan
Quinn, Luca
Rucinski, Sofia
Simons, Bianca
Snyder, Evan
Trietley, Zachary

Congratulations OIMS Sixth and Seventh Grade Top 20 Academic Students.

The 2019-2020 school year represents the 12th year we have had an Academic Wall of Fame at OIMS. We are honored to recognize the following students for this stellar academic achievement and welcome them into our Wall of Fame. We are all very proud of these students and we look forward to watching these students continue to excel and grow throughout their educational journeys. Thank You students for your determination, effort and achievement. It is truly admired and appreciated.

Sixth Grade

Bates, Anna Bohdanowycz, Adrian Brown, Jabreyah Carter, Mallory Caya, Finnian Crawford, Miley Cygan, Brynn Dowdell, Connor Durphy, Serenity Eaton, Braelyn Finch, Ava Gross, Courtney Kratts, Kaylin Mest, Joseph Miles, Austin Morgan, Samantha Moses, Ava Richardson, Leah Smucinski-O'Brien, Grady Teachman, Taylor

Seventh Grade

Bader, Michael Bailey, Brenden Borer, Ava Boutillette, Cavan Burrows, James Cassford, Autumn Churakos, Arayah Cummings, Asher DeRose, Molly Edwards, Emma Gonzalez, Jackson Hoffman, Sullivan Kielar, Brennan Kielar, Thomas Kinnaird, Blake Rucinski, Sofia Samuel, Aaron Simons, Bianca Snyder, Evan Trietley, Zachary

ADDING GRAPHICS AT DIMS

In order to add plenty of husky flavor and spice into our building a few husky wraps were placed in the main office and the Music suite. Go Huskies!











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East View Announcements:

Mr. Crawford has been posting daily announcements to the East View You Tube channel. It's been fun with add-ons like "fire drills", Thumbs Up Thursday and even doing announcements from the yards of students. We encourage all families to tune in as well as check out several other channels associated with East View.







Reading:

One of the questions we get asked the most is, "What can we do at home to

prevent my child from falling behind?" And while certainly your child's teacher will be an excellent resource for suggestions, independent reading with a book your child is able to read and has chosen is a great way to keep practicing reading. While we focus a lot at the primary level on learning to read, we know that in the later grades children will need to read to learn. It's important that your child select texts that are fast, fun and easy!





Appreciation:OCSD and the East View PTO would like to express their sincere gratitude for our teachers and staff. In May, all staff were gifted a yard sign of gratitude to display at their homes. We are also extremely grateful for the efforts of our East View maintenance team and cleaners. Mr. Rau, shown here, along with others have worked tirelessly to clean and sanitize our school as well as improve several spaces in our school for when students do return.









Home Learning:

As many are aware, our students have been tuning into Tube daily to view lessons created by their teachers. They have also been using digital resources and Zoom to video conference with their teachers and class. While we miss seeing our students each day, one positive about learning from home is that you can wear whatever you'd like!

Follow our school on twitter @OleanEastView







Husky Pup Pal Adventure Challenge

To help engage our students and their families during their remote learning experience, we sent each of our students their very own "pup pal." Each student was asked to share pictures of themselves doing different things while at home: reading, having lunch, exercising, playing music, doing an art project, or visiting a squirrel statue around town. Many of our husky pups stepped up to the plate, receiving their own cuddly pup pal as a reward for completing the challenge. Check out some of their adventures!



Washington West Elementary School





Being away from school is never easy, so to send our love to our husky pups, the Washington West faculty and staff came out strong for a luau-themed car parade! Students and their families lined the streets of Olean to hula, and wave to the whole school community. Thank you to our families for making this a memory to last a lifetime!





Teacher Appreciation

With such unprecedented times, we wanted to honor and celebrate the incredible faculty and staff of the Washington West school community. Our students and their families spent time honoring our teachers with signs of adoration and appreciation. Thank you, teachers - for all you do every day! You helped make 2019-20 a year to remember!









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