



LCS News

2024 TOP 10 SCHOLARS

Jack Carney of Castile is the **Valedictorian** of the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 101.368. Jack is the son of Christopher and Diana Carney. Jack will attend Yale University in the fall to study computer science. During his time in high school, Jack was involved in: Youth Court, Drama Club, Math Team, Jazz Band, National Honor Society, lifeguarding, swimming, golf, and Big Buddy. Jack is the president of the Class of 2024 and National Honor Society. Jack has received the New York State Academic Excellence Award and The Yale Scholarship. Jack was also a Genesee Advanced Studies Wyoming County Outstanding Scholar Semifinalist in Mathematics.



Richard Hoyt of Gainesville is the **Salutatorian** of the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 99.677. Richard is the son of Richard and Michelle Hoyt. In the fall, Richard will be attending Liberty University to study aeronautics. Richard has been involved in National Honor Society, football, swimming, and track. He has received the New York State Academic Excellence Award and the Four Post Scholarship.

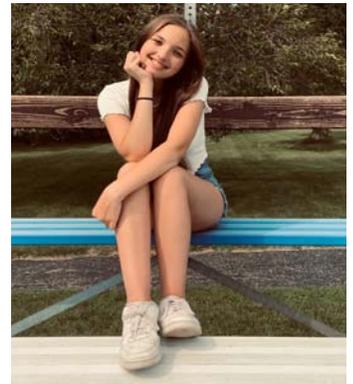


Lila Bailey of Gainesville ranks third in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 99.091. Lila is the daughter of Stephen and Amy Bailey. Lila plans on attending Hilbert College to study forensic science: crime scene investigation. In high school Lila participated in National Honor Society, Student Council, Drama Club, Ski Club and



Math Team. Lila has also been a part of the swimming and cheerleading teams, has lifeguarded, participated in martial arts and kickboxing, volunteered at the local fire department, and has been a pizzeria manager. Lila was vice president of the National Honor Society, Class of 2024 secretary, Drama Club student director, Ski Club treasurer, senpai, and swim team captain. Lila has earned the New York State Academic Excellence Award, the Hilbert College Mother Colette Scholarship, and the Hilbert College Honors Program Scholarship.

Kaitlyn Conway of Bliss is ranked fourth in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 98.324. Kaitlyn is the daughter of Scott Conway and Amanda Schurr-Hermann. After graduation Kaitlyn plans on attending SUNY Genesee to study business administration. During her time in high school, Kaitlyn has participated in Math Team, Big Buddy, and National Honor Society. Kaitlyn has earned The Leroy Wilson, III Memorial Scholarship Award.



Emily Perl of Bliss is ranked fifth in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 97.835. Emily is the daughter of Timothy and Melissa Perl. Next year, Emily plans on attending The Culinary Institute of America to study baking and pastry arts. During high school Emily has participated in soccer, basketball, track, Math Team, Future Farmers of America, and National Honor Society. Emily earned the Independent Health Community All-Star Award, Culinary Institute of America Excellence Award, and the Culinary Institute of America Recognition Award.



"We do not remember days; we remember moments."

Mylah McCormick of Castile is ranked sixth in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 97.807. Mylah is the daughter of Michael McCormick and Krista Cooling. Next year she will be attending SUNY College of Environmental Science and Forestry to study chemical engineering. In high school, Mylah participated in: cheerleading, golf, Student Council, National Honor Society, Math Team, Drama Club, Band, and the Junior Firefighters. Mylah earned the recognition of being a Genesee Advanced Studies Wyoming County Outstanding Scholar Semifinalist in Mathematics. She has also earned the Shae Ebner Memorial Scholarship.



Olivia Wahr of Silver Springs ranks ninth in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 97.197. Livi is the daughter of Scott and Jessica Wahr. In the fall, Livi plans on attending Alfred State to study culinary arts. During high school Livi was involved in National Honor Society, volleyball, softball, and volunteering at her local library. Livi has earned an Alfred State Pioneer Award.



Evan Carter of Pike ranks seventh in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 97.654. Evan is the son of Andrew and Summer Carter. Evan plans on attending the University at Buffalo to study psychology. In high school, Evan participated in Drama Club and Spectrum Chorus. Evan has earned a University at Buffalo Scholarship.



Abigale DeRock of Hunt is ranked tenth in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 97.096. Abbie is the daughter of Chad and Jennifer DeRock. Abbie plans on attending Keuka College to study occupational therapy and to play softball. In high school, Abbie was involved in volleyball, basketball, softball, Big Buddy, National Honor Society, Student Council, and the travel softball team of Letchworth Valley Wildfire. Abbie has earned a Keuka College Board of Trustees Scholarship.



Samuel Plymale of Houghton ranks eighth in the class of 2024 with a cumulative grade point average of 97.251. Sam is the son of Chad and Jaime Plymale. He plans on attending Houghton University to study physics. In high school, Sam participated in Math Team, Jazz Band, Student Council, and the treasurer of the World Language Club.



“THERE’S NO PLACE LIKE LETCHWORTH.”

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LCS CLASS OF 2024



CLASS OF 2024 EARNED SCHOLARSHIPS & AWARDS

Alyssa Abbott - Mark S. Ikeler Memorial Scholarship

Noah Almeter - Houghton University Founder's Promise Scholarship, Elmer Dornan Scholarship, Eaton Watson Funeral Home of Perry Service Award, The John Philip Sousa Award

Reagan Bannister - Morton Salt Award

Lila Bailey - New York State Academic Excellence Scholarship, Hilbert College Mother Colette Scholarship, Hilbert College Honors Program Scholarship, National Scholar Athlete Award, The Alexandra Marquart Memorial Scholarship

Quinn Baker - The New York State Comptroller's Achievement Award

Edmund Bentley - Gregory Michael Terry Memorial Scholarship, The National Education Association of New York Non-Teaching Association Award, State of New York Office of the Attorney General Triple "C" Award, Alfred State Scholarship

Race Berry - State of New York Office of the Attorney General Triple "C" Award, Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Outstanding Craftsperson Award

Kendra Brace - Geneseo Community Scholarship, Geneseo First-Generation Scholarship, Pike Seminary Fine Arts Scholarship

Evan Broughton - The Ed Horton Vocational Scholarship Award

Jack Carney - New York State Academic Excellence Scholarship, The Yale Scholarship, Genesee Advanced Studies Wyoming County Outstanding Scholar Semifinalist in Mathematics, National Scholar Athlete Award

Evan Carter - Arion Foundation Award in Chorus, Pike Seminary Fine Arts Scholarship, University at Buffalo Scholarship

Kaelin Chapman - The New York State Comptroller's Achievement Award, The Gala Club and Wednesday Clubs, Genesee Valley Bills "Riley Helmer" Memorial Scholarship

Erika Constable - SUNY Cobleskill Honors Scholarship

Kaitlyn Conway - The Leroy Wilson, III Memorial Scholarship Award

Abigale DeRock - Keuka College Board of Trustees Scholarship, Dr. Joseph W. Backer Honorary Scholarship

Brian Fay - Houghton University Founder's Promise Scholarship, Ervin Starr Scholarship

Lucas Grisewood - Richard Errington Memorial Scholarship

Adam Halsey - D'Youville Scholarship

Quintin Hedges - John Johns Siding Scholarship, Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Outstanding Student Award

Hannah Hibbard - The Doris W. Knatt Scholarship

Jenna Hill - Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Loose Leaf Law Book Award, Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Caroline Fitzsimmons Memorial Scholarship

Richard Hoyt - Four Post Scholarship, New York State Academic Excellence Scholarship

Jenna Keller - Gainesville Fire Department Scholarship, Charcoal Corral Appreciation Scholarship

Gavin Kemp - ESF Scholarship

Madeleine Korn - Independent Health Diversity & Inclusion All-Star

Massimo Malone - RIT Founders Scholarship

Mylah McCormick - Genesee Advanced Studies Wyoming County Outstanding Scholar Semifinalist in Mathematics, Shae Ebner Memorial Scholarship (Musician), Arion Foundation Award in Band, LCTA Citizenship Award

Alyssa Milillo - Morton Salt Award

Annetta Owens - Friends of Letchworth Scholarship, Perry Rotary Scholarship, Shae Ebner Memorial Scholarship (Athlete), Tamrowski Fine Arts Booster Scholarship, Charcoal Corral Appreciation Scholarship

Emily Perl - Independent Health Community All-Star, Culinary Institute of America Excellence Award, Culinary Institute of America Recognition Award, The Ed Horton Vocational Scholarship Award

Emma Pfeiffer - Riley Helmer Memorial Cheer Scholarship

Samuel Plymale - Louis Armstrong Jazz Award

Trevor Remington - Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Honor Certificate

Abigail Schreiber - Buffalo State Honors Program Scholarship

Hunter Schroeder - John Johns Siding Scholarship, ESF Presidential Merit Scholarship, The Cori Lynn Shearing Memorial Scholarship

Ella Schwab - Tamrowski Fine Arts Booster Scholarship, ACWC Director's Choice Award

Trinity Scott - Alfred State Pioneer Award, The Roger W. Bliss Scholarship

Olivia Wahr - Alfred State Pioneer Award

Ryan Wilmet - The New York State Comptroller's Achievement Award, Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Rich Harvest/Seed Ron Groushow Agricultural Excellence Award

Logan Wright - Independent Health Wellness All-Star, Elmira College Langdon Award, LCTA Citizenship Award, Martha Matteson Scholarship, Charles G. May Area Vocational Center Outstanding Craftsperson Award, Genesee Valley Bills "Riley Helmer" Memorial Scholarship



MESSAGE FROM SUPERINTENDENT CAMPBELL

Letchworth Families,

We have completed the school year and are celebrating the accomplishments of our students with you. As a school, we see the fruits of our labors in the graduating SENIORS. Listening to their thank yous and biographies at graduation brings back fond memories and a sense of joy in the educational experience here at LCS. Whether graduates are going into the workforce, military service or higher education we see students who are eager and excited for the new journey. We know that this group is prepared for the next step and we are excited to see what they accomplish next. Graduates... remember the lessons we spoke of at graduation, "RIPTIDES" will come and "There's no place like Letchworth."

We have a couple retiring teachers this year who we want to thank for their service to LCS. **Lauren Hurlburt, John Mertsock, and Traci Kozac-Krist** have all been a major part of our Letchworth family. They have contributed over 90 years of service to us. We send our best wishes and applaud them for their dedication. **Donna Lowden**, a longtime faithful Food Service Department employee, is also retiring. Well done, Donna. You will all be missed.

The Board of Education says goodbye to **Bill Kuipers (21 yrs)** and **Mark Miller (6 yrs)** at the end of June. Both have dedicated countless hours of loyal service for our students and staff. We want to welcome new members, **Michelle Hoyt and Jennifer Wallace** to their seats at the table.

Be sure to have your children read a good book this summer and write a letter to someone they care about. Keep them engaged with learning new things and playing outside whenever possible. Be creative and laugh a lot. Remember... The best thing we can give our children is our time. September will be here quickly, enjoy each moment.

Together...We are Letchworth,
Todd Campbell, Superintendent

WHAT A KNIGHT

With meticulous precision, the spotlight illuminated the stage. A voice enveloped the hushed crowd, "And, without further ado, our directors, Mrs. Krist and Mrs. Mosiman..."

Suddenly, a flush was heard. Startled, the two women stumbled out of the water closet that was discreetly positioned on the stage. They offered their profuse thanks to all the people who had worked so tirelessly, lending their time and expertise to the project. Eric Dumma, Isaac Bonafede, and Katriel DeGolyer in sound and lighting. Backstage, headed by the amazing Sandy Graham, were Cindy Fusco, Brenda Bonafede, Kendall Pricer, and Ian Mistretta. Sarah Stone created an entertaining video showcasing the actor's audition reels. "We hope you enjoy the show," Mrs. Krist and Mrs. Mosiman told the audience. "It'll be the best play we've ever directed."

Behind the curtain, cloaked in the mysterious darkness of backstage, more than thirty voices answered them: "It's the ONLY play you've ever directed!"

Welcome...to Camelot! A fun-filled farce of a play that focuses on embracing what makes you different and special, accepting others, overcoming challenges, working together, and cramming as many cheesy puns as possible into a forty minute program.

Peppered with veteran actors who will be going onto the High School Drama play next year, the cast included a host of 6th graders who set expectations high for their younger thespians. Kairi Pricer took on the challenge of the lead role as Watt Cobblers...singing, dancing, and sword-fighting her way across the stage. Randal (with one "L") was our Royal Highness, King Arthur who Russian-kicked his way as the center-piece of one of the musical numbers. Daniela Terry (What is it with everyone and their missing "L"s?) transformed into a mythical (and snarky) dragon, Makayla Mann (armed with a baseball bat-sized magnifying lens) wrestled her whiskers to portray the bearded Merlin, Harper Smith was the "wandering" minstrel, narrating scenes and then popping up in the middle of them and Avery Ferron manned TWO parts as Sir Cumference and Bad Brian. As Kitty Cobblers, 6th grader Roz Ripple had to juggle a lot of silly kitchen props and our dastardly villain, Natalie Bartholomew had to manage her silly crew of minions (Eva Huppe and Charlotte Krzemien) who kept messing up her diabolical plans.

There were too many incredible moments to be able to mention them all. Our magic mirror, Amelia Snyder, channeled her inner Robin Williams as she delivered comic gold, sassing the Black Knight. Jace Jordan as Jolly Jake the Depressed Jester gave a Shakespearean soliloquy of epic proportions while Scratch and Sniff the guards (Landon Weber and Callen Bonn) rolled their eyes from the drama of it all.

Our silly, swooning princess (Pyper Mitchell and Carmella Terry) fluttered fantastically about the stage. Calvin and Klein, the fashion designers, played by Bella Hageman and Scott Solis-Berger (who made a Samsonian-sacrifice for his craft) had the audience in knots, laughing. Lords Dudley and Dorking (Candice Youngers and Bryce Cummins) were imperative in introducing and addressing characters to the storyline.

The middle school/high school vice principal, Mr. King, demanded to be in the production, appearing, beefy, as Sir Loin...joining our other knights: Brooklyn Malik, Kyleigh Pittman, Aleiyah Wood, Madalyn Warner, Paisley Rassar, and Kolton Krist. The challenging role of Princess Alice was tackled by Ella Holderer who made sword-fighting in a ball gown look easy. Our queen was played with regal nobility by Evelyn Grover and Maid Molly (Emily Hageman) triggered our mid-play cast flash-mob when she worried that the princesses would catch "Night Fever." Cue: Chaos!

And that water closet? More like the wardrobe from Narnia as special guests kept pooping, oops, we mean, "popping" up to make surprise appearances.

In spite of the directors, What a Knight was a rousing success. Asked later, Mrs. Krist and Mrs. Mosiman admitted taking on the job only so that they could change the title to "Oh, What a Knight" and re-write the words to the familiar song so that the finale could be one big dance party.

Congratulations to the entire cast of "What a Knight" for their hard work, time, and talent in putting together such a fun and entertaining program. Good luck to our veteran actors as they move on to the High School Drama club! Break a leg, guys! Righto!



WHALE WATCH

The Letchworth Class of 2028 came, saw and conquered Boston and Salem. Some of the highlights of the 3 day trip include Howes Cavern, Boston Aquarium, Whale Watching, Duck Boats Tour, Fire and Ice, Fenway Park, the USS Constitution, and a Pirate Tour.

IT WAS A GREAT TRIP FULL OF AMAZING MEMORIES.



LETCHWORTH MUSICIANS ON MEMORIAL DAY

Over Memorial Day weekend, a total of 33 Letchworth musicians volunteered to attend the Memorial Day services in Pike, Castile, and Silver Springs. These musicians honored the fallen by performing the National Anthem, a medley of military service songs, and a variety of patriotic songs and hymns. Thank you to these students and teachers for weathering the rain, cold, and heat to pay their respects.

The Memorial Day band after the last service in Silver Springs.



Summer Fun and Summer Meals!

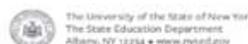
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 Visit SummerMealsNY.org
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ATHLETIC NEWS

Congratulations to the following Varsity teams on achieving Scholar-Athlete Status for the 2023-24 School Year:

Fall: Boys Soccer, Football, GameDay Cheer, Girls Soccer, Girls Swimming & Diving, Volleyball

Winter: Boys Basketball, Boys & Girls Indoor Track, Boys Swimming & Diving, Competitive Cheer, Girls Basketball, Wrestling

Spring: Baseball, Boys Track & Field, Girls Track & Field, Golf, Softball

100% of our teams earned this status which qualifies Letchworth as a NYSPHSAA School of Distinction.



Congratulations to the Boys 4x400m Relay Team on winning the Sectional Championship at the Class B3 Track & Field Sectional Championships. Team members included Richard Hoyt, Eric Burnett, Jaydin Wright and Lukas Stowell.

START DATES FOR FALL SPORTS:

-JV & Varsity Football will begin Monday, August 19th

-JV & Varsity Boys Soccer, JV & Varsity GameDay Cheer, JV & Varsity Girls Soccer, Varsity Girls Swimming & Diving and JV & Varsity Girls Volleyball will begin Monday, August 26th.

-Modified Boys Soccer, Modified Football, Modified Girls Soccer and Modified Volleyball will begin Monday, August 26th.



Congratulations to the Varsity Baseball team on winning the Section V Class C1 Baseball Championship. In sectional play the team defeated Bloomfield 5-4, Warsaw 9-6, Gananda 9-1 and Avon 4-2. Great season boys!



GIRLS VARSITY TRACK

The Girls Varsity Track team had another great season, finishing 2nd in the division (3-1) and 6-1 overall. With the majority of the team being in grade 10 and under, Coaches Bub and Bartholomew were thrilled to have 22 girls qualify for Sectionals! Sophomores Naomi Yount, Maci Weaver, and Sasha Bellamy went on to compete at the State Qualifier meet on June 1st, where Maci finished 11th in the 100 Hurdles, Sasha was 7th in the Discus, and Naomi took 3rd in the Pentathlon. These 3 girls, along with Felicity Wantuch, also were Division II All Stars. The 7 graduating seniors, Alyssa Abbott, Annetta Owens, Kendra Brace, Abigail Schreiber, Hunter Schroeder, Erika Constable, and Emily Perl, will be greatly missed, but the future looks bright for this team!

YOUTH TRACK CAMP

Seventeen 5th and 6th graders joined volunteers from the Varsity Track teams in June for a 3 day track camp. This was the second camp this year where students had a chance to learn about and practice long and triple jump, hurdles, high jump, shot and discus, as well as sprinting and relay events. On the final day, these young athletes participated in a mini track meet, where it was difficult to tell who had more fun- the 5/6 graders or the high school helpers! The track coaches wish to thank everyone who attended and helped at the camp. We look forward to seeing the new 6th graders again at the fall camp!



MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

April

5th Grade - Genadine Botha & Levi Case
 6th Grade - Destiny Blasdell & Jacobi Frazier
 7th Grade - Kendra Dauber & Cody Mest
 8th Grade - Lily Anderson & Aidan Domes

May

5th Grade - Maeve McBride & Carter Ceresna
 6th Grade - Kairi Pricer & Aiden Oatman
 7th Grade - Layla Ikeler & Maya Bellamy
 8th Grade - Anderson Skidmore & Noah Tillotson

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS OF THE MONTH

April

9th Grade - Autumn Mann & Turner Bartholomew
 10th Grade - Ella Belkota & Elijah Volpe
 11th Grade - Jordyn Ellwood & Anthony Rose
 12th Grade - Jack Carney & Abigail Schreiber

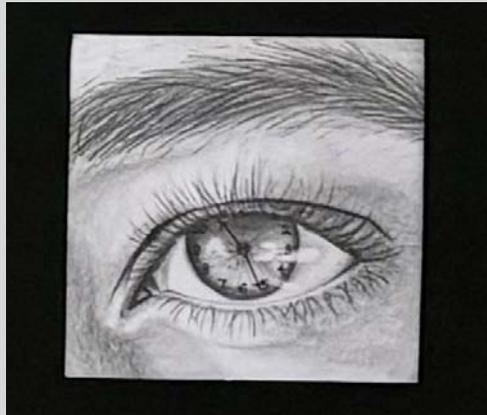
2024 ART SHOW AWARD WINNERS



Best of Show Award- Ava Conklin
"Stormy Cathedral"



2nd Place Award- Ivy Smith
"Midnight Critter"



3rd Place Award- McKenzie Osborne
"Clock Eye"



1st Honor of Excellence Award-
Ella Schwab "White Charcoal Back"



2nd Honor of Excellence Award
Kaylyn Bradley "Fly Away"



QUILT DONATION

The following students helped to create a quilt that was donated this morning to Letchworth State Park/Doug Kelly (Park Manager). The Park is celebrating its centennial year with NYS Parks, so this was a special gift for the park which will be put on display. The students collaborated and designed the quilt themselves using an applique method to make the blocks.

Madeleine Korn, Erika Constable, Emily Perl, Abby Bacon, Jenna Keller, Kaelin Chapman, Julia Mest, Isabelle Beardsley, Addison Ferron, Gillian Kemp and Anna Towsley



ATTENTION: If you would like to review and comment on the ARP ESSER Plan and the ARP State Level Reserve Plans you can do so at the links below.

Webpage: <https://www.letchworth.k12.ny.us/depts/business-office/american-rescue-plan-arp>

ARP Plan: <https://www.letchworth.k12.ny.us/fs/resource-manager/view/26e8d1b8-63ef-40e2-a23a-80f8dfff02fe>

ARP Survey: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSclMg6xjO94LONq_uEE7aT3VBsHal90S2y2xGzw7_q_KXm-wTw/viewform?usp=sf_link



¡TE AMO EDGAR!

High school Spanish students welcomed back Edgar Reneé to LCS for his second concert here. Edgar performed for 2 hours to an auditorium full of Spanish students from 10 local schools. These students also learned about his Puerto Rican heritage and listened to an inspiring message about being brave in today's world and standing up for what's right. These students immersed themselves in the music and culture of Edgar's music by studying songs, learning lyrics, and choreographing dances for the show. They were challenged to help organize, lead, and promote the concert. They completed these tasks with amazing success, creating a fun, inspiring, and educational event!

LIFESKILLS CAMPING TRIP

The last week of high school culminated in an unforgettable overnight camping trip for the Life Skills classroom. Picture this: eight adventurous students, along with the intrepid Mr. Dunbar, Life Skills Teacher, the ever-patient Mrs. Austen, 9th grade special education teacher, the insightful Mrs. Wilkie, school psychologist, the eloquent Mrs. Brown, speech pathologist, and the always-helpful Mrs. Granger, teacher aide, all setting up camp by our new elementary outdoor classroom area. It was quite the spectacle!

Our first challenge was setting up three large tents—a task the students had practiced like pros in class. Next, armed with paper bag lunches they had packed themselves, we headed to the magnificent Letchworth State Park. Our adventure kicked off with a picnic lunch, followed by a descent down over 128 steps to the breathtaking Lower Falls! After marveling at the falls, we crossed the stone bridge over the Genesee River. Then, it was time for the ultimate test: climbing back up those 100-plus steps! In a surprising twist, the student who had taken their time on the way down was the first to reach the top on the way back up! We continued our exploration with visits to Inspiration Point, the Mary Jemison cabin, Middle Falls, High Falls, and the Museum. Let's just say, we definitely hit our step goals that day!

Back at school, we whipped up a delicious dinner and enjoyed some lively yard games. After burning so much energy, everyone was ready for a sweet treat of hobo pies made of Nutella and fruit and classic S'mores, all cooked over the campfire. With the campfire crackling, we shared funny stories that had everyone in stitches before finally turning in for the night in our cozy tents.

Bright and early, the giggles from the girls' tent served as our alarm clock. With spirits high, we cooked a hearty breakfast to fuel the day. Then, it was time to pack up and take down the tents—a true team effort.

As we shared smiles and goodbyes, the students were happy to reunite with their parents but couldn't stop talking about how much they want to do it all over again next year. The 24-hour camping trip was packed with lessons, but the most memorable one was undoubtedly "Many hands make light work!" A special shoutout goes to Mr. Brant, Mr. Gill, Mr. Rogers, and Mr. Campbell for making this incredible experience possible!



LETCHWORTH STUDENTS ATTEND ALL-COUNTY MUSIC FESTIVALS

Over the last few months, 48 Letchworth students had the opportunity to participate in the Genesee Valley School Music Association's All-County music festivals! In November, students from 14 participating schools auditioned for a place in the All-County bands and choruses. Our students' hard work and preparation paid off and they achieved remarkable scores that earned them a place in these honors ensembles.

Keshequa hosted Festival I on January 26th and 27th, featuring the High School Jazz Band, 5th and 6th Grade Band, and the Junior High Chorus. Festival II was hosted by Letchworth on February 2nd and 3rd where the Senior High Chorus and Junior High Band performed. Lastly, Festival III on March 1st and 2nd featured the Senior High Band and 5th and 6th Grade Chorus at Wayland-Cohocton.

The first day of each festival, students from each school joined together for the first time in a 5-hour rehearsal with exceptional music directors. The very next day, the ensembles each put on a stunning performance after putting a final polish on their programs. These fantastic performances would not have been possible without the hard work and dedication of these students! We are so proud of what they were able to accomplish.



GVSMA All-County Elementary Chorus

Left to Right: Makayla Mann, Kendall Pricer, Rozalia Rippel, Daniela Terry, Natalie Bartholomew, Kairi Pricer, Julian Hurlburt, & Trent Roche



GVSMA All-County Elementary Band

Left to Right: MacKenzie St. Germaine, Braeden Marquart, Makayla Mann, Randal Bartz, Antonio Solis Berger, Harry Van Valkenburg, Jaxon McMurtry, Daniela Terry, Harper Smith



GVSMA All-County Jr. Chorus

Left to Right: Madison Youngers, Evelyn Raymond, Zoey Herter, Seth Kopczynski, Anthony Hermann, Natalie Abbott, Caden Haxton, Natalie Abbott, Autumn Mann, Turner Bartholomew Not Shown: Duncan Raymond



GVSMA All-County Jr. Band

Left to Right: Carter Hall, Harper Bliss, Dylan Coggiola, Emerson Whalen, David Weibel, Alison Uveino, Alexander Marquart, Daniel Murray, Bentley Fraser, Duncan Raymond, Marianna Abbott. Not Shown: Evelyn Raymond & Madison Youngers



GVSMA All-County Sr. Band

Back row: Gabriel Sommer, Jack Carney
Front row: Hunter Brace, Mylah McCormick, & Kendra Brace



GVSMA All-County Sr. High Chorus

Left to Right: Noah Almeter, Annetta Owens, Jordyn Ellwood, Shelby Hastreiter, Evan Carter, Onalee Gates, Morgan Goodell, & Elijah Volpe



SPECIAL OLYMPICS

-Sixteen athletes from Letchworth competed in the Special Olympics on May 4 at Avon Central School. Participating athletes ranged from 8-17 years of age with several new participants in the 5-7 age group. Students competed in events such as the 50 and 100m dash, softball toss, long jump, and wheelchair events taking home many gold and silver medals. We would like to thank our volunteers Maddy and Sarah along with coaches Amy Markwitz and Sarah Spink. After coaching the Special Olympics for more than 20 years at LCS this was Markwitz's last year. We appreciate all that she has done for our athletes and families on and off the field.



A YEAR OF DIVERSE LEARNING EXPERIENCES IN THE LCS JR. BAND

This year the LCS Jr. Band experienced several diverse learning opportunities. The start of the year included the culminating event of a collaborative composition commission with Dr. Carrie Magin. Dr. Magin's excitement of the subject as well as the joy of collaborating with the LCS Jr. Band resulted in a work larger in scope than the original proposal. The completion was a 5 movement new work for concert band that was performed on Winter Concert II.

The Jr. Band received a grant to see the Buffalo Philharmonic Orchestra perform the tone poem Don Quixote. The LCS musicians were treated to a world class professional orchestra performing a masterwork based on the whimsical story of Don Quixote. Students were in awe of the sheer size of the orchestra along with the masterful performance of the BPO musicians and exquisite orchestration of Richard Strauss.

The Spring semester led to collaboration with two guest conductors. Mr. Tony Agueci, a practicum student at Houghton University, experienced his conducting debut at the Spring Concert III. Along with this partnership the Jr. Band had the Perry Community Band as their guests for a side-by-side concert. Mr. Raymond Suriani guest conducted the combined LCS Jr. and PCB, over one-hundred musicians in total for a rousing performance of Karl King's Rough Riders.

Experiences in music teach lessons beyond the page of music as well as provide memories that last a lifetime. Thank you to all of the families at Letchworth for supporting their musicians in the arts!

In the audience at the BPO:

