

AWARDS TO MEMBERS OF THE CLASS OF 2025

Artwork created by.....Chohyun Jun
Pledge of Allegiance.....Michael Hanebuth
Star Spangled Banner.....John Stafford Smith

Senior Ensemble

Angelique Cerbolles
Isabella Crespo
Helena Farber
Jane Greenway
Sarina Telfer

Dr. Russell Wagoner, Conductor

Opening Remarks.....Melissa Luciano, Principal

PRESENTED BY MS. LUCIANO:

THE LOIS GRAND MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This award is presented to those students completing the COVE program who have shown outstanding contributions to the community work program and who have demonstrated a positive work ethic:

Alexa Castellano	Max Hershkowitz	Michael L. Rivera-Ramos
Esteban Fernandez	Amanda Houser	Hannah Scaffidi
Jack Fredericks	Madeline Murphy	Nathaniel Alston-Wein

PRESENTED BY MS. NEIER AND EX-CHIEF, PAST PRESIDENT MIKE CONKLIN:

BLAUVELT VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. AND VOLUNTEER LADIES AUXILIARY

To the COVE students for their hard work and volunteer service to the community:

Alexa Castellano	Max Hershkowitz	Michael L. Rivera-Ramos
Esteban Fernandez	Amanda Houser	Hannah Scaffidi
Jack Fredericks	Madeline Murphy	Nathaniel Alston-Wein

PRESENTED BY MS. NEIER:

BLAUVELT VOLUNTEER FIRE CO. LADIES AUXILIARY

This award recognizes graduating seniors who have demonstrated the importance of volunteer service in their community:

.....**Valencia Massaro, Julia Spano**

PRESENTED BY EX-CHIEF, PAST PRESIDENT MIKE CONKLIN:

BLAUVELT VOLUNTEER FIRE CO.

.....**Aidan McKiernan**

PRESENTED BY MS. REEVES:

MICKEY REEVES AWARD

Sponsored by the National Honor Society, this award honors Mickey Reeves, class of 2016.

This award goes to students who, like Mickey, sets and achieves his or her goals with a positive attitude, unwavering determination, and unyielding persistence:

.....**Brady Jacobs, Aidan McKiernan**

PRESENTED BY MS. FYFE & MS. RUBIN:

CHRISTOPHER FYFE MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is given in memory of Christopher Fyfe who was a graduate of Tappan Zee's class of 2008. Christopher is remembered by many for his ability to make everyone laugh and for brightening every room he entered. He was a friend to all, and his generous, selfless, spirit enhanced the lives of everyone who knew him:

.....**Jaimon Marcus Libo-On, Valencia Massaro**

PRESENTED BY MS. ACEVEDO:

DOMINICAN UNIVERSITY- MERIT SCHOLARSHIP

The Dominican University Merit Scholarship is a four-year academic scholarship and is being awarded to a student in recognition of their academic excellence:

.....**Analia Santiago**

PRESENTED BY MS. SADOWSKI:

ROCKLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION – GERRY MIRAS SCHOLARSHIP

The Gerry Miras scholarship celebrates students whose passions lie outside the ordinary or expected. It was created to support students who are unique and committed, by providing them the ability to realize the possibilities that lie ahead by giving them the ability to jumpstart their college education:

.....**Brian Lynch**

ROCKLAND COMMUNITY FOUNDATION – ML PEREZ-WHITTINGHAM SCHOLARSHIP

The ML Perez-Whittingham Scholarship reflects the core beliefs of Local Global Finds LLC founder and scholarship namesake, emphasizing the powerful connection between supporting Rockland County youth and fostering global artisan communities. This scholarship celebrates the ripple effect of bridging local and global efforts, empowering students and artisans alike to build a better, more equitable future:

.....**Valencia Massaro**

GUARNIERI FAMILY T1 DIABETES OPPORTUNITY SCHOLARSHIP

The Guarnieri Family recognizes one brave student who demonstrates exceptional character and perseverance through challenges:

.....**Mary McCormack**

PRESENTED BY MEMBERS OF THE NARCISCO FAMILY:

THE DOM NARCISCO MEMORIAL FOUNDATION FOR PEER LEADERSHIP, CREATION & DEVELOPMENT

This award is given in memory of Dominic Narcisco, an influential coach and educator throughout Rockland & Westchester Counties, and most importantly, a class of 1998 Tappan Zee High School graduate. The foundation has been formed to continue Dominic’s legacy of seeking out and inspiring future leaders, helping them actualize their potential because of their positive influence on their peers:

.....**Kailey Dolan, Patrick Staker**

PRESENTED BY MR. SMITH:

BUDDYBALL AWARD

Awarded for commitment and service to the Buddyball sports program:

..... **Nate Sullivan**

PRESENTED BY MR. MACHADO:

OMM SOCCER AWARD

.....**Kaitlin Heffernan, Brady Jacobs**

PRESENTED BY MR. FINNING:

THE ROCKY DELO BLAUVELT COMMUNITY SERVICE SCHOLARSHIP

This award is presented to a senior who has demonstrated dedication to community service:

.....**Karoline Lupi, Valencia Massaro, Julia Spano**

PRESENTED BY MR. DAN FULLER, FIREFIGHTER:

VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSOCIATION OF TAPPAN

This award is given to children or grandchildren of members, or students who are currently serving in the Volunteer Fire Association of Tappan:

.....**Ria Jose**

PRESENTED BY MS. KUIPER:

EAGLE SCOUTS – TROOP 2055

The following seniors have earned the rank of Eagle Scout:

.....**James Burns, Michael Hanebuth**

PRESENTED BY MR. AND MRS. KWON:

JOHN KWON MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

John was a graduate of Tappan Zee High School’s class of 1983 and went on to attend MIT and NYU. While at TZ, John participated in every drama production and was actively involved with the school math team. This award is presented to someone who, like John, has had many diverse interests in high school:

.....**Michael Hanebuth**

PRESENTED BY PAST POST COMMANDER DAVID MART :

AMERICAN LEGION JOHN M. PERRY POST #1044 – MILITARY SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is awarded to TZHS seniors who have joined the armed forces and will be serving the United States of America after graduation:

.....**Thomas Kivlehan**

AMERICAN LEGION JOHN M. PERRY POST #1044 – COLLEGE SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship is given to two TZHS seniors who are moving on to college and whose family members served or are serving in the United States Armed Forces, or are in the active Reserves or National Guard:

..... **Amiyah Johnson, Valencia Massaro**

PRESENTED BY A MEMBER OF THE SPARKILL-PALISADES FIRE DEPT.:

THE JOHN PAULDING ENGINE CO. – CHRISTOPHER CAPEZZUTO AWARD

THE JOHN PAULDING ENGINE CO.- SAM DELONGIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

These awards are presented in recognition of students who are currently active in public and community service:

.....**Brian Lynch, Valencia Massaro**

PRESENTED BY MR. JIMENEZ:

ROCKLAND FRIENDS (Quakers)

The Rockland Friends Award is offered in recognition of a student who has furthered awareness of the need for: kindness, justice, integrity, equality, and peace in a local community:

.....**Valencia Massaro**

PRESENTED BY CHIEF CHRIS JACKSON:

ORANGEBURG VOLUNTEER FIRE ASSOCIATION

.....**Michael Engelmann, Sean Fegan, Julia Spano**

PRESENTED BY MS. O’KEEFE:

GIRL SCOUTS – TAPPAN ZEE UNIT

The Tappan Zee Service Unit is proud to present the Senior Girl Scout Award to the following individuals. Each recipient has been a Girl Scout for 10 plus years, has numerous community service hours and serves as a positive role model for the younger scouts:

Kaitlin Heffernan	Elizabeth Ma	Julia Spano
Aoife Kennedy	Mary McCormack	

PRESENTED BY MS. O’KEEFE:

TAPPAN ZEE HIGH SCHOOL PTSA AWARDS

These awards are presented to seniors who have been involved in extracurricular activities and given service to the school, the students, and the community:

Meghan Brant	Cassidy Donovan	Anabel Lynch
Alexandra Casey	Kaitlin Heffernan	Kate Mulvihill
Isabella Crespo	Colin Holmes	Olivia Ryan
Luvi De Los Santos	Nicholas Ingenito	

PRESENTED BY A MEMBER OF THE SOUTH ORANGETOWN ROTARY CLUB:

SOUTH ORANGETOWN ROTARY CLUB-ROBERT “DOC” SCHELIN MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is presented to a senior who has demonstrated outstanding community service:

.....**Valencia Massaro**

PRESENTED BY MR. SCOLLAN:

THE SOUTH ORANGETOWN AMBULANCE CORPS. SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP

This award is presented to the graduate who has shown the highest level of dedication to their community and their corps.:

.....**Mia Petrouniak**

PRESENTED BY MR. ANTONUCCI:

V.F.W. POST 1615 RAYMOND W. DEMEOLO AWARD

Awarded to outstanding BOCES students:

.....**Angelina DeStefano, Alex Frawley**

JUDITH GAIL AND BENJAMIN ROUJANSKY MEMORIAL AWARD

This award goes to a student who intends to pursue a career in childhood education and/or exhibits outstanding community leadership and has shown strength in meeting every challenge towards success in their high school years:

.....**Nuala Mahady**

PRESENTED BY MR. DRISCOLL:

SOUTH ORANGETOWN SECRETARIES' ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

This award recognizes graduating seniors who have demonstrated academic achievement, hard work and determination to succeed:

.....**Christopher DuPont, Alis Portillo Juarez**

TAPPAN ZEE CROSS COUNTRY, TRACK AND FIELD FLYING DUTCHMAN AWARD

This award is presented to cross country/track and field senior athletes who have demonstrated great character, determination, dedication to their teammates and perseverance on and off the athletic field:

Sam Alves	Ava Ingersoll	Ezra Olds-Campanile
James Burns	Adrian Kupi	Jordyn Santana
Cassidy Donovan	Karoline Lupi	Madeline Stiefel
Pilar Fernandez		

PRESENTED BY MS. BRUNO:

THE CASTELLI ITALIAN AWARD IN MEMORY OF FRANK AND TINA CASTELLI

This award is being presented to the student who has demonstrated excellence and dedication to the Italian language and culture:

.....**Maria Besaga**

BECKMANN APPRAISALS, INC.

This award is in recognition of excellence in the study of Italian and the Arts:

.....**Ari Bodner**

OSIA ROMANESQUE LODGE NO. 2198

This award goes to the senior achieving the highest average in Italian for four years:

.....**Leah Jose**

VALENTINE ELECTRIC

This award is presented to the senior who has demonstrated excellence in Italian (90 or above average):

.....**Thomas Linehan**

LOGGIA GIOVANNI DA VERRAZZANO NO. 1236
 ORDER SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF ITALY SCHOLARSHIP:

Meghan Brant	Emily Duffy	Michelle Mancina	Julia Spano
James Burns	Andia Garcia	Ezra Olds-Campanile	Victoria Varisco
Alexandra Casey	Leah Jose	Shizuka Ono	
Angelina DeStefano	Sofia LoPresti	Nate Prisco	

PRESENTED BY MR. DECOLA:

JOHN DESIMONE AWARD

This award is presented to a senior who has demonstrated excellence in the study of the Italian language:

.....**Nate Prisco**

TALLMAN BEACH & POOL CLUB SCHOLARSHIP, POWERED BY PROCIDA FUNDING AND NOCO CATERING

.....**Cameron Keeperman**

PRESENTED BY MS. WALSH & MS. RITZ:

NORTHEAST CONFERENCE SPANISH AWARD IN LANGUAGE STUDY

Given to students who have maintained the highest level of excellence and dedication in the study of Spanish and Hispanic cultures:

.....**Anabel Lynch, Jacob Mallie, Vincent Wei**

TAPPAN ZEE HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR SPANISH AWARD

Given to two students who have consistently demonstrated outstanding achievement in all areas of language study:

.....**Emely Acosta, Cillian Hayes**

CAPITULO TITO PUENTE AWARDS

The Tito Puente Chapter Award is being presented to one senior who has continuously supported and actively participated in the Spanish Honor Society for the benefit of others and has shown enthusiasm for the Hispanic language and culture:

.....**Angelique Cerbolles**

THE SOCIEDAD HONORARIA HISPANICA (SPANISH HONOR SOCIETY) AWARD

The Tito Puente Chapter Award is being presented to the four officers who have demonstrated excellent leadership skills, dedication, and enthusiasm during their term of service. Through their example, and their service to school and community, these students have worked to promote the study of the Spanish Language and Hispanic Culture:

President.....Colin Holmes

President.....Tynan Murray

Secretary.....Vincent Reina

Treasurer.....Jake Garbutt

PRESENTED BY MS. HAYES:

THE "GUSTAVE EIFFEL AWARD"

This award is for excellence in academics, for outstanding and consistent effort demonstrated during all four years of high school French class, for ongoing thought and care in academic work exhibiting a true appreciation of French language and culture and for true diligence in the standard and quality of work produced:

.....**Miles Haider, Ricky Mitchell**

THE "JEAN-MOULIN AWARD"

This award is for demonstrating leadership amongst peers both in French class and in French related activities outside of class, for fostering a sense of community, for inspiring others and for being a positive and motivational individual over the course of four years of high school:

.....**Eliana Azatullah, Colm Driscoll, Madeline Stiefel**

THE "CLAUDE MONET" AWARD

This award is for outstanding contribution to both French Club and French Honor Society activities and events, for assisting in the organization of events, overseeing communications, volunteering to work behind the scenes to assure success of events and overall dedication to promoting both the club and the society and making it fun for everyone to be a part of these two entities:

.....**Emma Chen, Nuala Mahady, Isabella Popescu, Sophia Terleph**

PRESENTED BY MR. SILVER:

PFC ANDREW GOLDSTEIN POST #731 JEWISH WAR VETERANS OF THE USA

This award is presented to a graduating senior who excels in historical study and who has demonstrated academic excellence:

.....**Nicholas Finch**

THE TAPPANTOWN HISTORICAL SOCIETY AWARD

This award is presented by the Tappantown Historical Society to a senior who shows a proficiency in American History:

.....**Nuala Mahady**

PRESENTED BY MS. DRISCOLL:
LEWIS A. TREGRE ART SCHOLARSHIP

This award is presented to a senior with the purpose to assist, develop, and encourage their talent

..... **Lexie Ortiz**

PRESENTED BY MS. DRISCOLL:
SCIENCE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Overall Science Achievement.....**Cassidy Ng**
Dedicated Science Award.....**Liam Donohue**
Mastery Science Award.....**William Whitton**

PRESENTED BY MS. GENOVESE AND MS. LABRAKE:
SOUTH ORANGETOWN ART TEACHERS' AWARD

This award is presented to a senior who has shown outstanding dedication to the art department:

.....**Alexandra Bidmead**

ATLANTIC LABEL & PRINTING AWARD

Awarded to a senior who excels in graphic design and advertising production

.....**Sue Cho**

ART SERVICE CLUB AWARD

This award is given to the co-presidents who have dedicated their time and creativity, for the past four years

.....**Angelina DeStefano, Cate Sardo**

HALFMOON YEARBOOK AWARD

For a senior who dedicated their time to the production of the Halfmoon Yearbook

.....**Sofia LoPresti**

LINDSAY GARBER PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD

This award was established in memory of Lindsay Garber, a 1989 TZHS graduate and outstanding photographer, who was the recipient of numerous awards and recognized for her significant contributions to the TZHS community. The competition was created to support and encourage young photographers:

.....**Sofia LoPresti**

PRESENTED BY MS. BRAUNAGEL:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ADVANCED MATHEMATICS COURSES

To seniors who have achieved the highest level in Advanced Placement mathematics courses:

.....**Leah Jose, Cassidy Ng, Olivia Ryan, Zongyi (Joey) Wan**

NATHANIEL COWEN SERVICE AWARD

For outstanding service to Tappan Zee High School's Chapter of the National Mathematics Honor Society, Mu Alpha Theta. This award is named in honor of its student founder, Nathaniel Cowen, Class of 1984:

.....**Isabella Popescu**

MATH TEAM AWARD

For dedicated service and performance to the Tappan Zee High School Math Team, the Math Team Award

.....**Zongyi (Joey) Wan**

OUTSTANDING PERSONAL GROWTH IN MATHEMATICS

Awarded to a senior who has achieved outstanding personal growth in their mathematics courses:

.....**Liam Donohue**

PRESENTED BY MS. CONNELL:

OUTSTANDING ACHIEVEMENT IN ADVANCED COMPUTER SCIENCE

This award recognizes seniors who have achieved the highest level in Advanced Computer Science courses:

.....**Nicholas Finch, Cassidy Ng, Zongyi (Joey) Wan**

MOONSHOT AWARD IN COMPUTER SCIENCE

The Moonshot award celebrates seniors who demonstrate exceptional skills in driving change, solving problems, and tackling challenges within their community. This award highlights the importance of fostering change-makers who are committed to addressing real-world issues and creating a better future for everyone:

.....**Calum Tjon, Zongyi (Joey) Wan**

FIRST ROBOTICS AWARD

For demonstrating exemplary leadership, technical expertise and for modeling the core values of FIRST robotics:

.....**Cassidy Ng, Calum Tjon**

OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP AND SERVICE IN REPRESENTING TAPPAN ZEE HIGH SCHOOL'S ROBOTICS TEAM

This Award recognizes seniors for their outstanding commitment and dedication to FIRST Robotics and their role in leading, inspiring and motivating our team members:

.....**Cassidy Ng, Rayaan Sifat, Calum Tjon**

BY MR. STANFORD:

PAT O'ROURKE MEMORIAL ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AWARD

For general excellence in English Language Arts:

.....**Isabella McCarthy, Victoria Varisco**

DOROTHY DAVIS MEMORIAL AWARD

For commitment and improvement in writing:

.....**Colin Holmes, Alexondria Walsh**

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT RECOGNITION AWARD

Presented to seniors who demonstrated dedication and commitment in English throughout high school:

.....**Alexandra Bidmead, James Burns, Angelique Cerbolles**

TONES AWARD FOR COMMITMENT TO CREATIVE WRITING

This award is presented a senior who has exhibited dedication in creative writing:

.....**Valencia Massaro, Faith Vavrence**

PRESENTED BY MR. DESANTIS:

THE PROJECT LEAD-THE-WAY AWARD

The Project Lead-the-way program is TZ's pre-engineering program where students have the opportunity to engage in robotics, mechanical, electrical, computer, civil and engineering related fields. PLTW students create, design and build things like robots, trains, and house designs, applying what they are learning in math and science to the world's grand challenges. The Project Lead-the-Way Award recognizes these students who have completed four or more years in this rigorous program during their high school years:

.....**Colm Driscoll, Michael Hanebuth, Karoline Lupi, Elizabeth Ma**

PRESENTED BY MR. PILLA:

ROBERT BUTLER AND PAUL RASSULO HUMANITARIAN AWARD

This award is given to a graduating senior on the Tappan Zee High School Football Team who has gone out of his way to show consideration and, who included all members of the team, regardless of their ability to perform on the field:

.....**Cameron Keeperman**

CHRISTOPHER BELLO MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to students who best exemplify the leadership, heart, and love that Christopher showed towards his teammates, classmates, friends & family:

.....**Liam Johnson, Mila Zidek**

DENNIS P. McHUGH MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Given in memory of Dennis P. McHugh, a New York City firefighter who died in the line of duty on September 11, 2001. Dennis was a graduate of the Tappan Zee High School class of 1985 and captain of the varsity soccer and basketball teams. He was admired by his coaches and teammates for his aggressiveness, leadership and sportsmanship on the playing fields and was beloved by his teachers and fellow students for his gentleness and compassion. This award is given to a basketball or soccer player who demonstrates exceptional dedication in sports, and one who exhibits loyalty and kindness to his or her fellow students and friends:

.....**Brady Jacobs**

DENNIS P. MCHUGH LACROSSE SCHOLARSHIP

The Dennis P. McHugh Lacrosse scholarship foundation honors a senior lacrosse player for their exemplary community service, leadership, and commitment to athletics:

.....**Cate Sardo, Patrick Staker**

PALISADES CENTER SCHOLAR ATHLETES:

Sam Alves	Elizabeth Ma	Anna Palitti
Anabel Lynch	Ezra Olds-Campanile	Billy Whitton

JOHN MCMAHON ATHLETE OF THE YEAR AWARD

Presented to a young man and woman who have demonstrated exceptional athletic ability as well as a high quality of leadership and dedication:

.....**Cassidy Donovan, Thomas Linehan**

DENNIS P. MCHUGH RUN FOR FUN AWARD

Awarded to a TZHS senior who has been an active community volunteer. This student is recognized for their service:

.....**Justin Martinez**

TAPPAN ZEE RED AND WHITE COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to a senior who provided extensive community service to the athletic department, sports teams, athletes and families:

.....**Sofia LoPresti**

TAPPAN ZEE RED AND WHITE SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a Tappan Zee High School male and female athlete:

..... **Charlotte March, Tynan Murray**

THE DAN AND RITA DINAN SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a senior who best exemplifies the great qualities of work ethic, kindness to all, a love for their education and true sportsmanship on or off the field. Above all, this student demonstrates a deep appreciation for their school days at Tappan Zee High School and the community it represents:

..... **Kevin Kukla**

SECTION ONE SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS

Recognition to a Senior from each program at exemplifies class, teamwork, ethical conduct, and citizenship on and off the playing field and consistently demonstrates the values of caring, fairness, civility, integrity, and responsibility:

ATHLETICS SECTION ONE 2025 SPORTSMANSHIP AWARDS	
NAME	SPORT
Billy Whitton	Boys Cross Country
Elizabeth Ma	Girls Cross Country
Jefferson Ramos	Football
John Hatzis	Boys Soccer
Kate Mulvihill	Girls Soccer
Alexondria Walsh	Girls Swim & Dive
Gianna Marrone	Girls Volleyball
Nate Prisco	Boys Volleyball
Billy Alexiou	Boys Basketball
Kate Collins	Girls Basketball
Angelina DeStefano	Gymnastics
Colm Driscoll	Boys Swim and Dive
James Burns	Boys Indoor Track
Karoline Lupi	Girls Indoor Track
Alek Kalishian	Wrestling
Jeff Finning	Baseball
Kailey Dolan	Flag Football
Jake Garbutt	Boys Golf
Ava Lee	Girls Golf
Kevin Kukla	Boys Lacrosse
Haley An	Girls Lacrosse
Mya Wissman	Softball
Jaden Zaide	Boys Tennis
Aaron Pakola	Girls Tennis
Ezra Olds-Campanile	Boys Outdoor Track & Field
Anabel Lynch	Girls Outdoor Track & Field

PRESENTED BY MR. DIDOMENICO:

GERARD NEVINS MEMORIAL AWARD

This award is in memory of Firefighter Gerry Nevins, Class of 1973. Gerry, a Tappan Zee graduate and a member of its football and hockey squads, was a hero who died saving others on September 11, 2001. This award goes to the senior who, like Gerry, put others ahead of themselves, and demonstrates loyalty, determination and courage:

.....**Ava Ingersoll**

LIAM T. FRAWLEY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

A servant leader whose mission and vision is guided by a passionate desire to better society and is embodied by their selflessness, empathy for others and true sense of friendship. This is awarded to the following students:

Kailey Dolan	Xavier Leveille	Ezra Olds-Campanile
Cassidy Donovan	Thomas Linehan	Anna Palitti
Brady Jacobs	Charlotte March	
Kevin Kukla	Tynan Murray	

PRESENTED BY MR. ALTMAN:

BECKMANN APPRAISALS, INC. – ACCOUNTING AND FINANCE SCHOLARSHIP

To a senior showing strong ability in the area of accounting and finance:

.....**Jack Phelan**

THE JANET BOHLANDER ALONSO MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

This award is given in memory of Janet Bohlander Alonso who died in the World Trade Center tragedy on September 11, 2001. Janet was a graduate of Tappan Zee’s Class of 1978. To be awarded to a graduating senior who, like Janet, knows the important things in life are family, kindness and laughter. This person lives their life showing that compassion for others:

.....**Kate Mulvihill**

THE CHARLOTTE KREISEL MEMORIAL AWARD

Given in honor of the late school psychologist, Mrs. Charlotte Kreisel, who in her years here showed total dedication to the students of South Orangetown. This award is given to a student who best exemplifies her fine humanistic qualities:

.....**Mairead Porter**

NATIONAL COUNCIL OF JEWISH WOMEN

This award recognizes graduating seniors who have demonstrated the importance of volunteer services:

.....**Valencia Massaro**

CHAKRABARTI FAMILY SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

This award is given to four students. Two awards are given to students whose parent is either a firefighter or police officer, or to students who aspire to those careers. The other two awards are given for academic excellence:

Alexandra Casey	Aaron Pakola
Thomas Kivlehan	Jack Phelan

PRESENTED BY MS. MARKS:

VALENTINE ELECTRIC

To the senior who lights up the lives of others:

.....**Anabel Lynch**

CATHERINE PISCITELLI MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to college bound seniors who have demonstrated hard work throughout the years:

.....**Teresa Jovino**

KNIGHTS OF PYTHIAS OF ROCKLAND COUNTY SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION

This award was given out to one student at each of the Rockland County public schools to recognize a student working to make significant contributions to their community:

.....**Amiyah Johnson**

STONY POINT WAWAYANDA LODGE #313 FREE AND ACCEPTED MASONS "DANIEL J. ST. CLAIR" MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a high school senior who is majoring in engineering or architecture in college:

.....**Nicholas Ingenito**

CLASS OF 2003 DALE FELICI MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated strong scholastic ability, commitment to school and loyalty to her fellow students and friends:

.....**Elizabeth Ma**

PRESENTED BY MS. KEANE:

RICHARD HANRAHAN MEMORIAL AWARD

To a senior who has been able to get others to laugh and smile, who will use that gift of humor to lighten the lives of others:

.....**Kevin Kukla**

2025 NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLARSHIP WINNER

More than 1.3 million juniors entered the 2025 National Merit Scholarship Program by taking the 2023 PSAT. The nationwide pool of Semifinalists, announced in September, represented less than 1% of US high school seniors. Fifteen thousand Semifinalists advanced to the Finalist level. Fewer than half of the Finalists ultimately earned the "Merit Scholar" title and received a college scholarship. Merit Scholars are judged to have the strongest combination of accomplishments, skills and potential for success in rigorous college studies:

.....**Owen Epstein**

THE PAT KELLY HONORARY SCHOLARSHIP FOR PERSEVERANCE AND IMPACT

This scholarship recognizes a student who, like Pat Kelly, has faced life's challenges with resilience, determination, and a positive attitude. Pat is known for her tireless and selfless work ethic, and for always uplifting those around her. This award celebrates a student who exemplifies her spirit of perseverance, optimism, and commitment to making a meaningful impact:

.....**Rebecca Mathew**

PRESENTED BY MS. RIVERA:

GAIL CAROL HARRIS MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to a student who is pursuing a career in education or another helping profession who has demonstrated academic achievement and a positive work ethic and has been active in their school community:

.....**Faith Vavrence**

ERIC OSTROWSKY MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP AWARD

Awarded to a student who is interested in pursuing a career in elementary education:

.....**Nate Sullivan**

THE JUDITH JOHNSON SCHOLARSHIP

This scholarship was established in honor of an iconic career educator who devoted her life to public education. Judith Johnson was a passionate advocate for students and a tireless champion for educational equity. This award is given to a dedicated and hardworking student who, in spite of obstacles, has achieved academic success and plans to continue their education in college:

.....**Vincent Wei**

MULTICULTURAL AWARD

This award honors a dedicated member of the Multicultural Club who has gone above and beyond in their role as Treasurer. Their commitment, leadership, and financial stewardship have played a vital role in the club’s growth and success. We are grateful for their passion, reliability, and unwavering support of our multicultural community:

..... **Jacqueline Acosta**

THE JIMMY HAUBURGER MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

Awarded to graduating Tappan Zee High School seniors who have demonstrated kindness and caring to others and have been a friend to fellow students in need:

.....**Kevin Kukla, Amiyah Johnson, Patrick Staker**

THE TAPPAN ZEE HIGH SCHOOL CO-CURRICULAR AWARD

This award is presented to students who have shown a long-standing commitment to helping co-curricular activities be successful at Tappan Zee High School:

Jake Garbutt	Sofia LoPresti	Kate Mulvihill
Amiyah Johnson	Karoline Lupi	Charlie Reina
Cameron Keeperman	Valencia Massaro	Vincent Reina

PRESENTED BY MR. HUGHES:

PAUL DOCTOR MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

This award is given to a graduating senior who has worked hard, never gives up and pushes themselves to keep going although it may not always be easy:

.....**Justin Martinez**

**EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH ORANGETOWN-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION
SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF JERRY HAGGERTY**

To a senior who is overall an outstanding student entering into a “helping profession” or labor relations:

.....**Emma Chen**

ARTHUR KALADOW MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

To a senior who is overall an outstanding student entering into a “helping profession” or labor relations:

.....**Cassidy Donovan**

EDUCATION ASSOCIATION OF SOUTH ORANGETOWN-TEACHERS ASSOCIATION

To a senior who is an overall outstanding student entering into a “helping profession” or labor relations:

.....**Luciano Marino**

A.G. BARONE STUDENT ORGANIZATION AWARD

To the graduating senior who has rendered great service to the students, the school and the community during four years of attendance at Tappan Zee High School:

.....**Anna Coffey**

TZHS STUDENT ORGANIZATION BEN MENDELSON COMMUNICATION AWARD

To a senior who has achieved a major improvement in communication throughout the school community by their efficiency and leadership:

.....**Isabella Popescu**

TAPPAN ZEE HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT ORGANIZATION AWARDS

Presented for executive leadership by example and deed to school and community via the Student Government Organization:

.....**Isa Olcott, Valencia Massaro**

PRESENTED BY MR. HUGHES, MR. ROSSI, AND DR. WAGONER:

SOUTH ORANGETOWN MUSIC BOOSTERS ASSOCIATION

To the outstanding seniors in the following groups:

Band.....**Madison Caruso, Emma Chen, Elizabeth Ma, Mia Petrouniak**
.....**Isabella Popescu, Nate Prisco**

Choir.....**Angelique Cerbolles, Helena Farber, Sarina Telfer**

Orchestra.....**Sue Cho, Erick Cruz, Aaron Pakola**

JAZZ BAND AWARD

.....**Erick Cruz, Daniel Lipari, Ezra Olds-Campanile, Nate Prisco, Matej Schoening**

BRYAN J. HUGHES MEMORIAL AWARD FOR MUSIC AND ACADEMICS

Bryan Hughes was the Valedictorian of the Class of 1991. He performed in Band, Choir, Orchestra, and many other music groups. He was selected twice for All-State; once as a singer and once as a trumpeter. This award, given in his memory, goes to the graduating senior with the highest four-year academic average who has participated extensively in more than one music ensemble throughout high school:

.....**Isabella Popescu**

ALL-STATE AWARD

.....**Angelique Cerbolles, Aaron Pakola, Nate Prisco**

ALL EASTERN AWARD

.....**Angelique Cerbolles**

CONDUCTING AWARD

Outstanding conducting ability and enthusiasm:

.....**Daniel Lipari, Ezra Olds- Campanile, Victoria Varisco**

ROCKLAND COUNTY MUSIC EDUCATORS' AWARD

For outstanding musicianship and participation in All-County and Area All-State Festivals:

.....**Jane Greenway, Aaron Pakola, Nate Prisco**

DIRECTOR'S CHOICE AWARD

Awarded to students who have demonstrated consistent discipline and integrity over a four-year period:

ORCHESTRA:

.....**Leah Jose, Adam Lerner, Cassidy Ng, Anna Palitti, Myla Vijayan**

BAND:

.....**Michael Appiah, Ari Bodner, Ian Choi, Amiyah Johnson, Sophia Terleph, Vincent Wei**

CHORUS:

.....**Angelique Cerbolles, Isabella Crespo**

NEW DIRECTIONS IN MUSIC AWARD - SPONSORED BY BORBETOMAGUS INC.

Awarded to a student who clearly exhibits a high degree of musical originality, creativity and dedication:

.....**Daniel Lipari**

STUDENT MENTOR AWARD

.....**Ria Jose, Calum Tjon**

PRESENTED BY DR. CULOT:

VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIAN AWARD

In recognition of their academic achievement at Tappan Zee High School:

.....**Leah Jose, Olivia Ryan**

SOUTH ORANGETOWN ADMINISTRATORS' AWARD

In recognition of outstanding citizenship and potential for leadership:

.....**Charlie Bieger**

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