

MUSIC RECOGNITION

On Friday, May 30th the Barker Junior High Concert Band competed at the Darien Lake Music Festival. The group scored a 94.2%. It was an excellent performance and a wonderful day in the park for the band.



On Saturday, May 31st, select Barker students performed in front of a judge at All-State Solo Festival at West Seneca East High School. Student solos are ranked Level 1 (easy) thru Level 6 (most difficult). Congratulations to the following instrumentalists:

- Riley Marciszewski, Sophomore, Baritone - Level 6 (100%)
- Addisyn Weller, Freshman, Clarinet - Level 6 (97%)
- Karl Hill, Freshman, Baritone Saxophone - Level 5 (93%)

QUIETT & STEPHAN WIN AT ECC TECH WARS



Congratulations to tech champions, Zoey Quiett and Lucas Stephan (pictured below) who took 1st Place in the Middle School Static Display competition at the 2025 ECC Tech Wars. Their innovative project was a "Raspberry Pi Chair Swing".

ECC Tech Wars is a regional STEM event that brings together hundreds of middle and high school students from across Western New York to compete in hands-on technology and engineering challenges. Hosted by Erie Community College, this annual competition showcases creativity, collaboration, and real-world problem-solving in fields like robotics, design, programming, and more.

Zoey and Lucas's project impressed the judges with its creativity, technical skill, and presentation. Congratulations to both students for this outstanding achievement.

NIAGARA PRIDE AWARD



Congratulations to Meghan Mallon from the Class of 2025 for winning one of four 2025 Jean Hopkins Scholarships awarded by Niagara Pride. Meghan, along with two students from Starpoint and one from Amherst were selected for demonstrating a commitment to diversity, community advocacy, and social justice, which were key qualities demonstrated by the individual for whom the scholarship is named after.

Thanks to the generosity of the WNY community, Niagara Pride was able to offer four \$750 scholarships this year compared to last year, where the organization awarded two \$500 awards. This year saw an incredible number of applicants, increasing the level of competitiveness for the award, and making the decision of the Scholarship Committee even more difficult.