



## 2026 ACADEMIC AWARDS

### U.S. MARINE AND U.S. ARMY RESERVES AWARDS

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Seniors are recognized in the areas of academic, music, and athletics through the US hand Army Reserves.

**US Marine Corps Scholastic Excellence Awards:** Bri Lach and Ryan Dorr

**US Marine Corps Semper Fidelis Music Awards:** Louis Smith

**US Marine Corps Distinguished Athletic Awards:** Giovanni Scorti and Addison Reineke

### OTHER AWARDS

**Brad's Blessings Military Award:** Lauren Beiser  
*Presented to a graduating senior entering the military.*

**The Evan Scholars Foundation recipient:** Abigail Perry

**Clermont County Bar Association Award:** Olivia Dorschug

### ENGLISH AWARDS

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#### POETRY OUT LOUD

All students participate in Poetry Out Loud, which is a national poetry recitation contest that encourages students to learn about great poetry through memorization and recitation. This program helps students master public speaking skills, build self-confidence, and learn about literary history and contemporary life. Congratulations to Junior **Rosie Smith** for winning our schoolwide competition for her Poetry Out Loud performance.

#### ROTARY CLUB 4-WAY SPEECH CONTEST

Sponsored by the Greater Cincinnati Rotary Club, students wrote and presented speeches on a topic of their choice incorporating the Rotary's 4-Way Test – the ethical standard that calls on Rotary members to assure that everything they think, do or say is the truth, will build goodwill and better friendships and will be fair and beneficial to all concerned. Congratulations to **Maddie Link** who participated in the school competition and represented McNicholas in the city-wide competition.

#### ENGLISH STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Freshman	<b>Maddie Link</b>
Sophomore	<b>Vivian Lipps</b>
Junior	<b>Jacob Jones</b>
Senior	<b>Lily Weisenhauer</b>
AP Literature	<b>Carolyn Conour</b>
AP Language	<b>Lucinda Thompson</b>
Creative Writing	<b>Emma Laudeman</b>
Journalism	<b>Whitley Sway</b>

## SCIENCE AWARDS

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### SCIENCE FAIR

Science Fair continues to be a strong component of our students' experiences. This year, students presented their science fair projects at our local science fair in January.

**Four students went on to the District Fair at the University of Cincinnati:** Therese Bursa, Michael Esposito, Montgomery Gibson, Winifred Hums, and Sophia Whicker

### UNIVERSITY & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

**The University of Rochester's Bausch and Lomb Medal** is an award for outstanding science achievement goes to **Rachel Hall**

**Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Rensselaer Award:** Molly Armstrong

### SCIENCE STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Freshman	<b>Grant Longmore</b>
Sophomore	<b>Therese Bursa</b>
Junior	<b>Kaitlyn McConnell</b>
Senior	<b>Addison Russo</b>

### SCIENCE NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SENIORS

Katherine Baillie	Grace Mastruserio
Lauren Beiser	Grace McCafferty
Natalie Cox	Lauren Radtke
Josephine Fortin	Allison Runte
Caroline Frede	Addison Russo
Clare Goldbach	Kaelin Timko
Cameron Goodin	Kennedy Trapp
Sarah Hutchinson	Annemarie Wolfer
Brianna Lach	

## MATH AWARDS

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## UNIVERSITY & COMMUNITY RECOGNITION

**Larry Bogenschutz Scholarship:** Savannah Stacey

*Given by the family members of long-time faculty member Larry Bogenschutz to a junior for high achievement in mathematics, demonstrating strong academic effort, Christian values and leadership*

## MATHEMATICS STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Freshman	<b>Landon Andrew</b>
Sophomore	<b>Michael Esposito</b>
Junior	<b>Josephine Wiles</b>
Senior	<b>Sarah Hutchinson</b>

## MU ALPHA THETA HONOR SOCIETY SENIORS

Katherine Baillie	Cameron Goodin	Lauren Radtke
Mia Colonna	Jackson Homan	Emma Rosenbaum
Natalie Cox	Sarah Hutchinson	Allison Runte
Chad Dannemiller	Caleb Link	Addison Russo
Ryan Dorr	Grace Mastruserio	Thomas Stewart
Brady Edwards	Grace McCafferty	Owen Svarda
Amelia Engle	Steven Meltebrink	Kaelin Timko
Josephine Fortin	Maxwell Monahan	Kennedy Trapp
Caroline Frede	Ryan Moss	Annemarie Wolfer
Lillian Freeman		

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## WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

### FRENCH STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

French I	<b>Brady Gatio</b>
French II	<b>Chris Tipton</b>
French III	<b>Ava Gray</b>
French IV	<b>Allie Nguyen</b>

### FRENCH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SENIORS

Ava Hudson  
Allison Nguyen

### LATIN STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Latin I	<b>Jude Gehrig</b>
Latin II	<b>Winnie Hums</b>
Latin III	<b>Audrey Ackerman</b>
AP Latin	<b>Annabel Moeves</b>

### LATIN HONOR SOCIETY SENIOR

Annemarie Wolfer

### SPANISH STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Spanish I     **Anna Holte**  
Spanish II     **Grace Ernst**  
Spanish III    **Louie Canisalez**  
AP Spanish    **Nicholas Spiegla**

### SPANISH NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY SENIORS

Clare Goldbach  
Ava Kelly  
Grace Mastruserio  
Kaitlyn Munafò  
Delaney Rains  
Nicholas Spiegla

### THE GLOBAL SEAL OF BILITERACY

This credential celebrates language skills, expands future opportunities for its recipients, and empowers awardees to be a valuable asset in multilingual environments:

Nicholas Spiegla  
Annabel Moeves  
Audrey Ackerman  
Lilah Comer  
Sophia Lanham

**The Ohio Seal of Biliteracy:** Addison Russo and Lila Comer.

### VISUAL & PERFORMING ARTS AWARDS

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#### M.A.D.E. HONORS CERTIFICATION

McNicholas Art + Design Education Honors Certification recognizes students who exceed the minimum graduation requirements through taking rigorous coursework and engaging in vigorous, real-world or capstone experience.

Madison McPherson  
Ava Hudson  
Mia Colonna  
Lucinda Thompson  
Ellen Robey  
Lauren Radke  
Rielly Mountel  
Owen Mondy  
Addison Reineke  
Madison Zurmehly  
Conner Louis  
Caleb Link  
Amelie Engle  
Louis Smith

## VISUAL & PERFORMING ART STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Architecture	<b>Madison McPherson</b>
Ceramics	<b>Carter Gabriel</b>
Fine Arts	<b>Mary Fullerton</b>
Media Arts	<b>Reilly Mountel</b>
Yearbook	<b>Abigail Hughes</b>
Music	<b>Louis Smith</b>
Theatre	<b>Annemarie Wolfer</b>
Theatre Tech	<b>Noah Fleischmann</b>
Rocket Chorale	<b>Kaylee Dalton</b>
Rockapella	<b>Maryn Minnich</b>

## NATIONAL ART HONOR SOCIETY SENIORS

Mia Colonna	Caleb Link	Addison Reineke
Brady Edwards	Connor Louis	Ellen Robey
Ava Hudson	Madison McPherson	Eva Marie Smith

## **MUSIC AWARDS**

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### COMMUNITY RECOGNITION, AWARDS, & SCHOLARSHIPS

**John Phillip Sousa Band Awards:** Louis Smith

**Director's Choice Band Award:** Louis Smith

### TRI- MUSIC HONOR SOCIETY

Louis Smith

## **THEATRE AWARDS**

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**Theatre/Technical Excellence Award:** Louis Smith

*Given to a senior who has provided outstanding service to the technical aspects of theatre performance. This student works behind the scenes, humbly lending his or her talents for the good of the entire program*

**Excellence in Musical Award:** Allison Hannah

*Given to a senior who has demonstrated exceptional work and skill in musical theatre through four years of participation in McNicholas High School musicals. This individual shares talent, is dedicated to the ensemble nature of the musical, and leads with a positive attitude.*

**The Bill Fanning Performing Arts Scholarships:** Lucy Brock and Winnie Hums

*Given in memory of Bill Fanning who was a teacher at McNicholas for 40 years*

**The Kelly Clark Memorial Scholarship:** Mariyn Minnich

*Given in memory of Kelly Clark, Class of 1985, to a member of the junior class who is active in the area of drama at McNicholas, who puts forth academic effort, and who demonstrate Christian values and leadership*

### INTERNATIONAL THESPIAN SOCIETY SENIORS

Lauren Beiser  
Emma Bell  
Olivia Dorschug  
Anna Dugan  
Amelia Engle  
Annika Flynn  
Josephine Fortin  
Casey Fritsch

Allison Hannah  
Lauren Korchok  
Reilly Mountel  
Ellen Robey  
Addison Russo  
Parker Segar  
Lucinda Thompson  
Annemarie Wolfer

### SOCIAL STUDIES AWARDS

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#### COMMUNITY AWARDS

**The Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Award:** Sam Whitcomb

*Recognizes outstanding academic achievement in the humanities and social sciences, as well as leadership skills and community service*

**St. Thomas More Scholarship:** Kaitlyn McConnell

*Awarded to a junior who exemplifies the ideals of Christian leadership and who participates on the Mock Trial, Academic Team, Student Council, or the McNicholas Milestone staff*

**Marjorie A. Frame Historian Society Scholarship:** Grace McCafferty

*Awarded by the Anderson Historical Society and is given to a senior pursuing an interest in history or related studies*

**Stephen Smalley & Lucy Smalley Moore Scholastic Scholarship:** Jacob Patrick

*Awarded by the Anderson Historical Society*

#### SOCIAL STUDIES STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Freshman	<b>Alex Ruschman</b>
Sophomore	<b>Montgomery Gibson</b>
Junior	<b>Victoria Stewart</b>
Senior	<b>Kaelin Timko</b>
Financial Literacy	<b>Allison Spiller</b>

### BUSINESS/TECHNOLOGY & PE STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

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## BUSINESS/TECHNOLOGY STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Freshman **Callie Laskey**  
Sophomore **Alex DeFife**  
Junior **Ben Bernhardt**  
Senior **Tanner Shelly**

**Xerox Award for Innovations & Information Technology Award:** Joseph Esposito  
*Xerox Award for Innovations & Information Technology recognizes outstanding achievement in the pursuit of innovative approaches and an appreciation for the possibilities of technology.*

## PHYSICAL EDUCATION STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Physical Education **Nicky Goff**  
Strength and Conditioning I & II **Cicilia Snyder & Tarik Fadel Mula**

## COMMUNITY SERVICE AND CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP

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**Book Award for Service to Mission and Ministry including St. Vincent de Paul Youth Conference and Catholic Relief Services:** Mia Colonna, Natalie Cox, Olivia Dorschug, Brady Edwards, Josie Fortin, Grace Mastruserio, Caleb Naumann, Delaney Rains, and Annemarie Wolfer

**Sheila Perry Helping Heart Scholarship:** Ann McCarty  
*Given to a junior who shows friendship to those in need and demonstrates a sincere willingness to help wherever needed*

**St. Joseph Community Service Scholarship:** Annabel Moeves  
*Given to a junior who is most deserving in the area of the community service both at McNicholas and in the larger community and Christian leadership*

## THEOLOGY STUDENTS OF THE YEAR

Freshman **Will Walker**  
Sophomore **Sebastian Tavernelli**  
Junior **Ella McConnell**  
Senior **Josie Fortin**

## CLASS OF 2026 CENTURY CLUB

Julia Bayer	Chad Dannemiller	Josephine Fortin
Lauren Beiser	Ayla Dickerson	Logan Frantz
Emma Bell	Olivia Dorschug	Caroline Frede
Zachary Belmont	Kayden Dugger	Casey Fritsch
Benjamin Bernhardt	Mylie Durham	Mitchell Ganim
Sophia Brockman	Brady Edwards	Allison Hannah
Mia Colonna	Amelia Engle	Jackson Homan
Natalie Cox	Annika Flynn	William Homan

Matthew Hoyt  
Ava Hudson  
Abigail Hughes  
Quinn Hutchinson  
Sarah Hutchinson  
Carter Kent  
Lauren Korchok  
Caleb Link  
Elijah Losekamp  
Margaret Martin  
Grace Mastruserio  
Grace McCafferty  
Liliana McHugh  
Steven Meltebrink

Kathryn Moran  
Ryan Moss  
Elizabeth Mulvaney  
Jacob Patrick  
Abigail Perry  
Fletcher Pyles  
Lauren Radtke  
Addison Rangeley  
Juliana Rivas  
Ellen Robey  
Allison Runte  
Lillian Ruschman  
Addison Russo  
Eva Smith

Louis Smith  
Nicholas Spiegla  
Thomas Stewart  
Owen Svarda  
Whitley Sway  
Lucinda Thompson  
Kaelin Timko  
Kennedy Trapp  
Spencer VonBusch  
Allison White  
Annemarie Wolfer  
Ella Zech  
Madison Zurmehly

## COLLEGE BOOK AWARDS

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Each year several colleges sponsor awards designed to recognize underclassmen. The following awards are given to juniors for achievement in academics, leadership, service, and character.

**Miami University Book Award:** Audrey Ackerman

*Awarded to a student for outstanding leadership, service, and academic and co-curricular accomplishments.*

**St. Michael's College Book Awards for Academic Achievement and Social Conscience:**

Ann McCarty and Jacob Jones

*Recognizes students' academic success and exemplary community service involvement. Their accomplishment embody St. Mike's commitment to intellectual achievement, social justice and concern for others.*

**Chatham University – Rachel Carson Healthy Planet Book Award:** Nico Voegelé

*Awarded to a deserving student who embodies the spirit of Rachel Carson in their dedication to sustainability and community development*

**University of Louisville-Yarmouth Book Award:** Kaitlyn McConnell

*Awarded to a student demonstrated strong academic achievement, leadership skills and potential for success.*

**The High Point University Book Award:** Mai Nguyen

**University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leader Award:** Tessa Calcitrai

## ATHLETIC AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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**Jeff Smith Memorial Scholarships:** Sam Whitcomb and Ella McConnell

*Given in memory of Jeff Smith, Class of 1985, to one young woman and one young man who are members of the junior class. Like Jeff, the recipients personify the personal characteristics of “achiever, class, believer, character, courage and respect.”*

**Hole in the Wall Scholarship:** Maria Shulte

*Awarded to a student who has shown outstanding effort in both athletics and academics and consistently shows care and concern for others.*

**OHSAA Scholar Athlete Award:** Addison Russo

**OHSAA Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award:** Gary Collins and Kennedy Steuer

**NFHS Award of Excellence:** Matthew Ehlers and Sarah Hutchinson

## ALUMNI AND ACADEMIC SERVICES AWARDS AND SCHOLARSHIPS

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**Ann Robinson Memorial Scholarship:** Gracie Mastruserio

*Given in memory of this alumna from the Class of 1999*

**Nick Erdy Scholarships:** Gracie Mastruserio and Tessa Calcitrai

*Given in memory of Nick Erdy '02, a fallen Marine who served in Iraq.*

**Vassolo Memorial Scholarship:** Sadie Calcitrai

*Given in honor of Rosemary and Frank Vassolo, parents of Valerie Combs (SAIL teacher), and is awarded to a student who is in good academic standing and who enriches the McNicholas community.*

## ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT

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### ST. JOSEPH SCHOLARS

We would like to recognize the students who are part of the St. Joseph Scholars program, which is now in its fourth year at McNicholas. The St. Joseph Scholars maintain at least a 92.5 grade average, take 3 to 4 honors classes, and complete various service projects.

#### CLASS OF 2026

Clare Goldbach  
Brianna Lach  
Grace Mastruserio  
Kaelin Timko  
Caleb Boss  
Natalie Cox

Amelia Engle  
Josephine Fortin  
Caroline Frede  
Sarah Hutchinson  
Caleb Link  
Grace McCafferty

Ryan Moss  
Lauren Radtke  
Allison Runte  
Addison Russo  
Kennedy Trapp  
Annemarie Wolfer

### NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY

To be inducted into the National Honor Society, students must have a weighted GPS of 90% and be enrolled in an advanced curriculum.

#### SENIORS

Katherine Baillie  
Julia Bayer  
Lauren Beiser  
Sean Bursk  
Mia Colonna  
Natalie Cox  
Ayla Dickerson  
Ryan Dorr  
Olivia Dorschug  
Brady Edwards  
Amelia Engle  
Annika Flynn  
Josephine Fortin  
Caroline Frede  
Ava Gerome

Clare Goldbach  
Allison Hannah  
Jackson Homan  
Ava Hudson  
Sarah Hutchinson  
Carter Kent  
Caleb Link  
Margaret Martin  
Grace Mastruserio  
Grace McCafferty  
Liliana McHugh  
Steven Meltebrink  
Kathryn Moran  
Ryan Moss  
Caleb Naumann

Lauren Radtke  
Delaney Rains  
Emma Rosenbaum  
Allison Runte  
Lillian Ruschman  
Addison Russo  
Louis Smith  
Nicholas Spiegla  
Whitley Sway  
Lucinda Thompson  
Kaelin Timko  
Kennedy Trapp  
Annemarie Wolfer

## **CLASS OF 2026 ACADEMIC TOP 10**

**In the Class of 2026, the Salutatorian, or student with the second highest average is Annemarie Wolfer and the valedictorian of the Class of 2026 is Addison Russo.**

Natalie Cox  
Josie Fortin  
Sarah Hutchinson  
Grace McCafferty  
Lauren Radtke  
Allie Runte  
Kennedy Trapp  
Kaelin Timko