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NEW PROVIDENCE STUDENTS EARN NATIONAL STEM HONORS

Twelve New Providence Students Awarded Certificates of Excellence

NEW PROVIDENCE, N.J. — The New Providence School District recognized 12 students with STEM Certificates of Excellence at the September 24, 2026 Board of Education meeting. The students were commended for their achievements in national Technology Student Association and TEAMS competitions during the 2025-26 school year.

Akhil Yadavalli and Arnav Sabde placed third in the TSA Coding competition. In TEAMS competitions, Erick Stoll, Nivaan Chheda and Reyansh Karmarkar placed first in Design and Build. Ishan Bhagavathula, Aryav Patel and Gouthesh Selvanarayanan placed second in both Mathematical Modeling and Prepared Presentation. Brandon Baron, Owen Ettinger, Carsten Lepre and Daniel Yoo placed third in Design and Build.

The Technology Student Association offers more than 40 competitions in which middle and high school students apply their knowledge of science, technology, engineering and math. The competitions also give students opportunities to explore their interests and develop leadership skills. The organization has more than 300,000 student members worldwide.

The Board of Education congratulates the students and thanks the STEM educators who have supported their learning from elementary school through high school. It also recognizes their competition advisers: Rachel Fintz, Holly Pizzonia, Dan Barletta, Sue Rembetsy, Mike Makmur and Jennifer Pasuit.

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