

THE SCHOOL DISTRICT OF SOUTH ORANGE & MAPLEWOOD

BOARD RECOGNITION

PUBLIC BOARD MEETING

June 14, 2018

The Achieve Tutor Program recognized 22 “Super Seniors” – senior students who have volunteered as tutors for at least 3 years:

**Sarah Adams
Turner Andrasz
Josh Anthony
Finn Bascio
Maya Cherins
Izzy Cotenoff
Julia D’Eletto
Lorenzo Duvergne**

**Sam Forman
Kasen Gilbert
Seth Gordon
Theo Grayer
Chris Holowczak
Natalie Morrison
Meredith Olin
Sarah Panzer**

**Emma Prescod
Gabe Ribicoff
Sophie Salvato
Jordan Stephan
Liam Sullivan
Elizabeth Verhoff**

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13 CHS students were chosen to have their art work displayed at **NJ State Teen Arts Festival** at Ocean County College:

**Gabe Bergman
Jessica Stuppi
Maxwell Edwards
Najee Strother
Naomi McMechen
Norman Ayala
Sabine Wancique**

**Sophia Rothstein
Tara Brown
Samantha Francois
Lillian Petruziello
Victoria Carmon
Sophia Goodman-Merel**

Special honors went to **Jessica Stuppi, Naomi McMechen** and **Lillian Petruziello**, who had their pieces chosen to be part of the **2018-2019 NJ Tour Exhibit**.

Sophia Goodman-Merel won the festival's **Gold Award for Filmmaking** for her original Animation entitled "Super Convention."

Participation in the NJ State Teen Arts Festival was coordinated by **James Manno**, SOMSD’s Fine Arts Supervisor.

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The **SOMA Action Student Leadership Committee** was honored by the state of NJ for efforts around gun control, student leadership and social justice advocacy.

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CHS Spring Season Athletic Accomplishments

Baseball

- Eliot Dix & Phil Whitney qualify for Essex/Union County Underclass All-Star Game
- Christian Pierre & Luke Jackson qualify for NJSIAA Senior All-Star Game
- Eliot Dix, Christian Pierre, Luke Jackson earn 1st Team All-Conference Awards
- Phil Whitney earns 2nd Team All-Conference Awards
- Jon Del Greco & Dan Lawall earn Honorable Mention

Softball

- Hudson Hassler & Jordan Stephan earn 1st Team All-Conference Awards
- Catherine John, Alexa Stephan & Claire Salinaro earn 2nd Team All-Conference Awards
- Lucy Gagne & Sophie Goldman-Merel earn Honorable Mention
- Jordan Stephan ends career with 100 hits

Boys Tennis

- Team wins SEC Liberty Division
- Ben Kaplan advances to State Individual Tournament
- Jackson Wagner & Seth Gordon advances to State Doubles Tournament
- Ben Kaplan, Adam Kaplan, Kevin Tamayo, Jackson Wagner & Seth Gordon all earn 1st Team All Conference
- Jonah Meisels & Kaya Esgun earn 2nd Team All Conference Awards

Girls Lax

- Lauren Lake & Dylan Herbert earn 1st Team All Conference Awards
- Anna Torrey, Peyton Kemp & Morgan Nash earn 2nd Team All Conference Awards
- D Arcey Perlman earns Honorable Mention

Outdoor Track

- Girls win SEC Championships on May 12th
 - Briana Reckling wins 400 meter & finishes 2nd in 200 meters
 - Catherine Jordan finishes 2nd in 800 meter & 400 meter hurdles
 - Ayanna Henry finishes 1st in Triple Jump, 2nd in Long Jump & 3rd in 100 meter hurdles
 - Celine Egeonu finishes 1st in High Jump
 - Lillian Williams finishes 1st in 100 meter
 - Ciara French finishes 2nd in 100 meter
 - Megan Mosteiro finishes 1st in Pole Vault
 - Jon Salinaro finishes 2nd in 800 meter run
 - Luke Hayes finishes 2nd in High Jump
 - Callum Howald finishes 1st in Pole Vault

Boys Lacrosse

- Brendan Lackey earns 2nd Team All Conference
- Manny Deutsch-Dornfield earns Honorable Mention

Miscellaneous

- Akil Debruhl earns a Division 1AA Scholarship for Rugby to Rowan University
- Dilsher Maini earns a Division 1A Deans Scholarship to Iona for Rugby

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Seven more CHS Seniors have “signed” to play at the collegiate level:

Tim Depue (Track: Charleston Southern University)

Rick Hankey (Track: Rowan University)

Ayanna Henry (Track: Morgan State)

David Ives (Track: SUNY-Geneseo)

Edward Martinez (Track: Ursinus College)

Jack O'Connell (Track: Fordham University)

Hannah Williams (Soccer: Penn State University)

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CHS 11th grader **Allison Kofsky** received the prestigious **President's Volunteer Service Award**. This award is given to students who have volunteered significant amounts of their time to serve their communities and their country. All honorees receive a letter and a certificate from the President of the United States.

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42 CHS Seniors were awarded **The Seal of Biliteracy**. The New Jersey Seal of Biliteracy is an award given by participating school systems that recognizes a student's high level of proficiency in listening, speaking, reading and writing in one or more languages other than English.

Sarah Adams

Michelle Aguero

Gabriella Bellard

Sarah Braka

Jessica Brice

Stephanie Cadet

Sally Carnevale

Migdalia Castillo

Caroline Cerny

Isabelle Cotenoff

Hanna Cox

Zoe Crutcher

Katherine D'Andrea

Madeline Depue

Benjamin Doubek

Adam DuBow

Lorenzo Duvergne

Marieli Espinal

Marie Fagan

Nashua Ferguson

Ruth Finkelman

Sophie Goldman-Merel

Eli Gomberg

Eden Harel

Emma Joy

Lauren Kret

Hadriana Lowenkron

Linnea Mumma

Meredith Olin

Sarah Panzer

Madeleine Reilly

Cristina Ricci

Wendy Gomez Romana

Nicholas Salvato

Sophia Salvato

Daniela Maquera Sardon

Kevin Tamayo

Anna Torrey

Juliet Vandusen-Gross

Jackson Wagner

Isabelle Wendt

Isabella Zap

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The following students from Maplewood Middle School and South Orange Middle School were recognized for their achievements on the **National Spanish Examinations**, a motivational contest to recognize student achievement in the study of Spanish and to stimulate further interest in the teaching and learning of Spanish:

Gold Medal
Imaan Zubieta

Javier Casella
Violet Gordon
Hayley Hutchinson
Seth Peiris

Silver Medal

Elianna Perlman
Helena Stepan
Cole Strupp
Evelyn Van De North

Bronze Medal

Ella Cervi
Zoe Ferguson
Susana Garcia

Phoebe Hill
Cassidy Moskowitz

Honorable Mention

Lachlan Campbell
Simone Heinze
Alex Iozzio

Emily Lopez
Jason Rowe
Lawson Saby

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CHS Senior **Elvenie Desrosiers** won a \$2,000 FLENJ (Foreign Language Educators of New Jersey) scholarship in recognition of her achievement in French Language studies.

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South Orange Middle School students **Lindsey Minor, Brooklynn Edwards, Bella Galatt, Sasha Sullivan** and **Jordan Terry** envisioned and developed the **SoMa Citizens** Pilot Program. The program partners SOMS 6th and 7th graders with South Mountain 5th graders in supportive “family” networks for the 5th grade transitioning students. As a result of the pilot’s community service component, participants were declared “**SMS Water Protectors**” at this year’s **South Orange River Day** event, and South Mountain School will partner with the South Orange Environmental Commission in grade-wide projects next year. Will the founders of SoMa Citizens and all the 7th Grade Ambassadors and 6th Grade Ambassadors in Training please stand to be recognized.

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The **Maplewood Township Committee** issued a proclamation recognizing the **staff, teachers and parents of Maplewood Middle School** for successfully fulfilling the requirements of the New Jersey Department of Education comprehensive support network to exit from target status, formally known as the focus school list.

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The Tuscan Student Council and school community ran a *Pennies for Puerto Rico* drive and raised \$2,113.01 to support UNIDOS in their efforts to serve the immediate and long-term needs of families and communities in Puerto Rico. Kudos to **Ms. Lamkin** and **Ms. Reyes** for spearheading this initiative!

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ELA Supervisor, **Melissa Butler**, has been selected to present at the Conference on English Leadership's National Convention to be held in Houston, Texas, November 18-20, 2018.

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Clinton Art Teacher **Christine Tischio** was a participant on *Flea Market Flip* on HGTV. Ms. Tischio was a "flipster" on the episode called: flipsters vs. creative cousins.

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Dr. Reginald Coleman is recognized for 38 years of service to SOMSD's students, staff, and families.