

The School District of South Orange & Maplewood

Board of Education Recognitions October 18, 2023

NAME/SCHOOL	RECOGNITION
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Columbia High School <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Bonney Donachie 	<p>Congratulations to Columbia High School Class of 2023 Graduate Bonney Donachie who earned a perfect score on the AP Drawing exam. She was one of only 308 test-takers in the world to earn every point on the exam. She submitted 15 original works under a common theme as part of the exam. Donachie chose the theme of clowns. Some of her work can be seen on the District's Facebook, Instagram, and X accounts. Donachie is now studying painting at the Pratt Institute in Brooklyn.</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Columbia High School PSAT/NMSQT Honors ● 	<p>Congratulations to the more than 50 Columbia High School students who have earned distinctions from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and The College Board's National Recognition Program through high scores on the Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test, or PSAT/NMSQT.</p> <p>Ajuni Zubieta earned recognition as a National Merit Scholarship Program Semifinalist and will continue in the competition for a National Merit Scholarship.</p> <p>The following students were recognized as National Merit Commended Students for have demonstrating outstanding potential for academic success and exceptional academic promise:</p> <p>Chimezie Agba Ivy Bailey Molly Bigelow Xander Campbell-Singer Quentin Davis William Dougherty Aidan Egan-Liang Benjamin Gevirtz Noah Goldstein Julie Hairston Isaac Hempstead Nigel Hu Molly Hurley Celeste Intagliata Nawal Irfani Sabrina Mannion August Pross Claire Rhody Lydia Ryan Joseph Spick Hanna Straub Arushi Vadlamani</p>

	<p>Justin Wade Jeremiah Wiener Gianni Zaccarelli</p> <p>The following students earned College Board National Recognition Program awards for maintaining grade point averages of 3.5 or higher and performing outstandingly on the PSAT/NMSQT, PSAT 10, or Advanced Placement exams:</p> <p>National African American Recognition Award</p> <p>Chimezie Agba Promise Albert Kayla Anicette Remilekun Banner Dahlia Brown Norah Brown Oluwafehintimi Dottin Alyssa Lewars Sierra Mannion Sabrina Mannion Innocence Okoko Nadia Springer Whitney Cabbagestalk Jonathan Crosse Penda Fall Sophia Halm Kaiya Montaro</p> <p>National Hispanic Recognition Award</p> <p>Anya Friedland Celeste Intagliata Molly Mendoza Elena Rebimbas Lilah Sigalos Skylar Smith Joseph Spick Ajuni Zubieta Brodhi Banjo Nadia Springer</p> <p>National Indigenous Award</p> <p>Brodhi Banjo</p>
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Achieve Foundation Fall 2023 Grant Awards 	<p>The Achieve Foundation has awarded nearly \$32,000 in grants to the 28 District educators for a variety of educational purposes. We thank Executive Director Eileen Collins Neri, Board President Irene Langlois, and everyone at the Achieve Foundation for their continuing support of our District's staff and students. Congratulations to the following Achieve Foundation Fall 2023 grant award winners:</p>

Columbia High School

- Jennifer Easton
- Christina Luzzi
- Alexandra Cappucci
- Richard Cutrona
- Peter Bauer
- Emily Vite

Tuscan Elementary School

- Amy Popp

Seth Boyden Elementary School

- Rosemary Connell
- Anna Colasuonno

Maplewood Middle School

- Richard Rodriguez
- Lorraine Sudol
- Amy Pitucco
- Heather Vorona
- Avis Gibbons-Williams
- Dara Gronau
- Louis Brown

South Orange Middle School

- Katie Harley
- Amy Schwinder
- Juliann DePietro
- Suzanne Fein
- Kaitlyn Diaz
- Xueyin Li
- Chia-Chi Chiang
- Samantha Heunermund
- Michelle Witrock
- Ana Reyes
- Caitlin Dennehy
- Ashley Saraceno