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Medford High salutes students at Scholastic Awards Ceremony

Medford High School honored more than 250 students on Thursday night, January 31, at this year's Scholastic Awards Ceremony.

At this event, the faculty and administration recognized those students who have excelled on the Massachusetts Comprehensive Assessment System (MCAS) tests, the Scholastic Assessment Test (SAT), and the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT). Also honored were students who have received awards from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation and those who have earned qualifying scores on Advanced Placement Examinations.

MCAS Awards

First to be honored were Grade 9 students who received the highest possible rating on the MCAS tests last year when they were in Grade 8.

Students with an "Advanced" rating in English Language Arts in Grade 8 were Daniel Beemon, Talia Boos, Cassandra Charles, Vivian Diaco, Jasmine Etesse, Yuna Farah, Marisa Fouraux, Nina Galasso, Gia Greene, Kevyn Griffith, Alexandria Jackson, Katherine Kulik, Emily Nixon, Emory Paine, Emily Parker, and Sasha Wolfe.

Earning an "Advanced" rating in Mathematics in Grade 8 were Isaac Bears, Daniel Beemon, Joshua Brownmiller, Kelsey Buckley, Anthony Cardone, Noah Carr, Deanna Cavallaro, Vivian Diaco, Katelyn DiBenedetto, Jasmine Etesse, Yuna Farah, Kevin Fitzgerald, Kevyn Griffith, Diana Hien, Bridget Hoff, Alexandria Jackson, Katherine Kulik, Maxwell Liner, Suzanna Lossio, Kevin Magarin, Patrick Morey, Ronald Ngo, Danny Nguyen, Emily Nixon, Ryan O'Rourke, Emory Paine, Emily Parker, Leah Parrino, Raymond Pedrick, Joseph Picano, Sarah Pierce, Daniel Ridge, Christopher Ridge, Paul Righini, Mark Roberto, Catia Rodrigues, Samantha Rodriguez, Pio Romano, Jennifer Uang, Jemima Victor, Sasha Wolfe, and Adam Zec.

Students with an "Advanced" rating in Science and Technology in Grade 8 were Kevin Fitzgerald, Emily Nixon, Samantha Poirier, Christopher Ridge, and Adam Zec.

Also receiving awards were current Grade 11 students who earned an "Advanced" rating in English Language Arts last spring: Michelle Aghiarian, Nafiz Ahmed, Molly Avila, Cristiano Azevedo Neto, Diana Balluku, Mark Raymond Batul, Shannon Bennett, Brittany Blasetti, Jennifer Bove, Michael Boyer, Angela Brathwaite, Zeena Brown, Kamilah Browne, Brenna Callahan, Piro Cani, Christina Cardone, Lisa Cardone, Victoria Carvalho, Lisa Castellano, Brett Cavallaro, Matthew Cipollone, Linda Clements,

Nicole Coakley, Tori Conlon, Matthew Connor, Guilherme de Almeida, Christine Deasy, Tess Diaco, Matthew Diamond-Jones, Alexis Donnaruma, Jessika E Silva, Michelle Eckels, Catherine Elia, Pamela Eufrazio, Nicholas Farrell, Michael Flanagan, Michelle Foran, Philip Galebach, Emily Galica, Danielle Garcia-Tsolias, Zachary Gillette, Ren Gjoliku, Keerthana Gnanapradeepan, Justin Goguen, Michelle Gramolini, Anna Guigli, Anne Hathaway, Amanda Holt, Meghan Keogh, Philip Laguerre, Lauren Laskey, Vanessa Latson, Phong Le, Rachel Le, Joseph Leary, Richard Lebert, Gabriel Lindemeyer, Michelle Ly, Darya Mangeym, Trevor Marchand, Jenna Mazzone, Ashley McBrine, Jade McElroy, Naama Mendes, Jr., Roxanne Michaud, Livia Motz, Chinyere Nwabeke, Kellie Olsen, Long Bin Pan, Tiffany Paolillo, Ann Parker, Kevin Pham, Jillianne Quinn, Karen Sargent, Sean Scalfani, Stephen Servideo, James Shippee-Malloy, Harnek Singh, Sam Storm, Alyssa Taliaferro, Susan Trinh, Christopher Vaudo, Jennifer Vergara, and Stephanie Williams.

Those juniors who received an “Advanced” rating in Mathematics last spring were Nafiz Ahmed, Rodrigo Alegre, Olivia Amato, Molly Avila, Cristiano Azevedo Neto, Diana Balluku, Marisa Barnaby, Ashley Barnes, Dennis Barnwell, Victoria Barry, Mark Raymond Batul, Stephanie Bicalho, Ryan Biggins, Jessica Bingham, Jennifer Bombino, Michael Boyer, Angela Brathwaite, Zeena Brown, Kamilah Browne, Julia Burbine, Piro Cani, Christina Cardone, Lisa Cardone, Stephanie Carteiro, William Caruso, Victoria Carvalho, Lisa Castellano, Brett Cavallaro, Robert Chase, Philippe Chery, Matthew Cipollone, Nicole Coakley, Matthew Connor, Alex Cuetara, Guilherme de Almeida, Bruno de Araujo, Christine Deasy, Guy Desrosiers, Tess Diaco, Matthew Diamond-Jones, Charisse DiGregorio, Luigi DiSisto, Sean Doherty, Alexis Donnaruma, Angelina Donovan, Michelle Eckels, Pamela Eufrazio, Christina Federico, Kerry Flynn, Filipe Fonseca, Michelle Foran, Lisa Furtado, Philip Galebach, Emily Galica, Courtney Galvin, Danielle Garcia-Tsolias, Andromahi Giakoumis, Zachary Gillette, Louis Gillis, Tamires Gimenez, Christian Giordano, Ren Gjoliku, Keerthana Gnanapradeepan, Justin Goguen, Michelle Gramolini, Anna Guigli, Noel Hasberry, Anne Hathaway, Margaret Helme, Kayla Hennigan, Amanda Holt, Danielle Joseph, Meghan Keogh, Gabriel Kingsbury, John Koval, Philip Laguerre, Kristi Lanzilli, Lauren Laskey, Vanessa Latson, Phong Le, Rachel Le, Joseph Leary, Richard Lebert, Gabriel Lindemeyer, Jennifer Liu, Joseph Lopez, John Luongo, Michelle Ly, Aidan Lynch, Trevor Marchand, Christopher Mazzone, Jenna Mazzone, Jade McElroy, Steven Mearn, Naama Mendes, Jr., Lisa Moreira, Livia Motz, Jenny Mui, Deanna Musto, Patrick Nigro, Chinyere Nwabeke, Long Bin Pan, Tiffany Paolillo, Ann Parker, Kimberly Perault, Kevin Pham, Donald Phung, Christopher Picarde, Rachel Pierce, Jacqueline Poirier, Nathalie Prince, Katie Pyrcz, Jillianne Quinn, Michael Rizzo, Michael-Erik Ronlund, Damien Savoia, Sean Scalfani, Stephen Servideo, James Shippee-Malloy, Alyssa Shoop, Daniel Silva, Harnek Singh, Felicia Sorrentino, Suzanne Spinale, Sam Storm, Jammal Thomas, Paula Tramontin, Susan Trinh, Ruth Tulyse, Christopher Vaudo, Jennifer Vergara, Luisa Vieira, Stephanie Williams, and Kathleen Zuluaga.

Those sophomores and juniors who earned “Advanced” scores on the Biology Exam last spring were Diana Balluku, Guilherme Barbosa, Jessica Bingham, Haley Brown, Kevin Chau, Nicole Coakley, William Durney, Samuel Fingerman, Eric Jacob, John Koval, Anthony Laiosa, Jared Mello, Rafael Moure-Punnett, Jimmy Nguyen, Chinyere Nwabeke, Mark Ponte, Katherine Smith, Andrew Terrano, Sherine Thelemaque, Laurie Ulysse, Alexander Vickers, and Huong Vong.

Those juniors who earned “Advanced” scores on the Chemistry Exam last spring were Christina Cardone, Lisa Cardone, Victoria Carvalho, Brett Cavallaro, Matthew Cipollone, Christine Deasy, Matthew Diamond-Jones, Alexis Donnaruma, Zachary Gillette, Justin Goguen, Vanessa Latson, Rachel Le, Michelle Ly, Livia Motz, Long Bin Pan, Michael-Erik Ronlund, Susan Trinh, and Christopher Vaudo.

PSAT and SAT Awards

Also recognized at the Scholastic Awards Ceremony were students who excelled on the Preliminary Scholastic Assessment Test (PSAT).

The Grade 10 students who earned the top ten combined scores on the PSAT last fall were Amanda Barbosa, Natalie Breen, William Durney, Eric Jacob, Rebecca Luongo, Jared Mello, Alexander Nigro, Max Romano, Tyler Rosati, and Andrew Terrano.

The Grade 11 students who earned the highest scores on the PSAT last October were Brett Cavallaro, Matthew Cipollone, Nicole Coakley, Matthew Connor, Keerthana Gnanapradeepan, Margaret Helme, Vanessa Latson, Jenna Mazzone, Long Bin Pan, Ann Parker, Jillianne Quinn, Michael-Erik Ronlund, and Christopher Vaudo.

The Grade 12 students who earned the top combined scores on the SAT I were Danica Bybell, Andrew Casey, Krystal Doulbakian, Peter Galebach, Amy Mei, Laura Panadero, Felisha Pierre-Louis, Antonia Pugliese, Louis Rocco, and Owen Ziegler.

A special award was presented to Emily Nixon, who as a Grade 9 student earned a remarkably high PSAT score.

National Merit

Last year when current seniors took the PSAT, three of them scored within the 95th percentile, that is, they outperformed more than 95 percent of their peers nationwide. Because of their level of accomplishment, the following students received National Merit letters of Commendation from the National Merit Scholarship Corporation: Danica Bybell, Amy Mei and Antonia Pugliese.

Advanced Placement Awards

Students who earn a certain qualifying Grade on Advanced Placement exams are eligible to receive college credit for the courses for which they successfully complete the exams, thus earning “advanced placement” at many outstanding colleges and universities. This allows them to take more sophisticated courses during their freshman year in college, instead of the usual introductory courses.

Because many Medford High School students took AP courses when they were sophomores and juniors, they have already received scores that qualify them for AP credit.

Students who received Advanced Placement Awards for their performance on the Advanced Placement European History Exam were Piro Cani, Victoria Carvalho, Brett Cavallaro, Matthew Cipollone, Nicole Coakley, Matthew Connor, Sean Doherty, Alexis Donnaruma, Peter Galebach, Keerthana Gnanapradeepan, Meghan Keogh, Rachel Le, Darya Mangeym, Trevor Marchand, Lisa Moreira, Livia Motz, Patrick Nigro, Long Bin Pan, Ann Parker, Antonia Pugliese, Michael-Erik Ronlund, Susan Trinh, and Christopher Vaudo.

Honored for his success on the Advanced Placement Calculus Exam was Nabil Hoq.

Students who received Advanced Placement Awards for their achievement on the Advanced Placement United States History Exam were Danica Bybell, Cecilia Flores, Terrence Gartland, Shannon Keating, Mary-Kate Kelley, Rhea McCullough, Selam Mehretu, Amy Mei, Sarah Menkin, Laura Panadero, Felisha Pierre-Louis, Antonia Pugliese, Louis Rocco, Tania Santini, Terence Tran, Brendan Whooley, and Owen Ziegler.

Recognized for her success on the Advanced Placement Spanish Language Exam was Cecelia Flores; and honored for her success on the Advanced Placement Italian Language Exam was Federica Rinaldi.

In addition, thirty-two seniors were recognized for their success on the Advanced Placement Language and Composition Examination: Gianna Aliberti, Danica Bybell, Anthony Carvello, Andrew Casey,

Angela Diaco, Amanda Du, Cecilia Flores, Jamie Forrest, Lori Forti, Terrence Gartland, Nabil Hoq, Shannon Keating, Mary-Kate Kelley, Meghan King, Michael Maloney, Rhea McCullough, Brittany Medeiros, Selam Mehretu, Amy Mei, Sarah Menkin, Christelle Mundele, Michelle Nguyen, Laura Panadero, Felisha Pierre-Louis, Antonia Pugliese, Janelle Reppucci, Louis Rocco, Kayla Scire, Terence Tran, Kasey Walsh, Brendan Whooley, and Owen Ziegler.

Recognized for their achievement on the Advanced Placement Chemistry Exam were Danica Bybell, Joseph Cerasuolo, Cecilia Flores, Nabil Hoq, Rhea McCullough, Amy Mei, Antonia Pugliese, Terence Tran, and Brendan Whooley.

Eight Medford High School seniors have already earned qualifying scores on three Advanced Placement Exams and have already been named Advanced Placement Scholars by the College Board: Danica Bybell, Nabil Hoq, Rhea McCullough, Amy Mei, Terence Tran, and Brendan Whooley. Two MHS seniors have already earned qualifying scores on four Advanced Placement Exams and have been named Advanced Placement Scholars with Honor: Cecilia Flores and Antonia Pugliese. These are distinctions usually achieved only by students after they have taken an additional battery of Advanced Placement Exams in May of their senior year.

Presenting the awards at the Scholastic Awards Ceremony were Submasters Stephen Mascoll, David Polcari, Daniel Ross, and Rosemary Trainor, as well as Headmaster Paul Krueger.

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