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CLASS OF 2020 CONGRATULATIONS!



Congratulations to Ankita Patel and Valerie Mallon, who have been named the valedictorian and salutatorian, respectively, of the Class of 2020.

Ankita, who is graduating with an AP Capstone Diploma and as an AP Scholar with Distinction, has been an active member of the school community. Along with serving as president of the National Honor Society, she was a member of Athletes Helping Athletes, Key Club, Mathletes, Science National Honor Society, Ted Ed Club and World Language Club. Ankita volunteered as secretary of the high school's Student Service Center, as well. She also participated in varsity winter track, junior varsity basketball and junior varsity volleyball. During the summer prior to her senior year, she shadowed two general dentists to see how technology has changed the field. She plans to attend the University of Michigan and major in biology.

Valerie has received various recognitions for her musical talents throughout her high school career, including Excellent Achievement in String Ensemble Award, First Chair Award, NYSSMA Award, Outstanding Musicianship Award and Tri-M Certificate. In addition to her participation in String Ensemble, Valerie was a member of Dignity Club, Environmental Club, Literary Society, National Honor Society, Robotics and World Language Club. Valerie has excelled in her AP courses, receiving three perfect scores on AP Environmental Science, AP Language and Composition and AP U.S. History. She also volunteered at the high school's Student Service Center. She plans to attend Georgetown University in the fall.

SENIOR WEEK



Senior Parade was held on June 11.

Although a formal graduation ceremony has currently been postponed until Aug. 8, the district has been doing all it can to honor this year's graduating class in nontraditional ways. The week of June 8 marked Senior Week and held many fun virtual and socially distanced events for our students and their families to commemorate their final weeks at the high school.

SENIOR EVENTS INCLUDED:

- *Athletics Day – Spring sports senior recognitions, as well as sports award presentations to our athletes.*
- *Fine Arts Day – Honoring those receiving music and art awards, as well as those being inducted into the Art Honor Society and the Tri-M Music Honor Society.*
- *Senior Awards Ceremony – Held via Webex, senior awards and scholarships were announced and seniors were recognized virtually.*



- *Senior Car Parade – Jericho Turnpike was closed down so that seniors and their families could drive down the road, which was lined with approximately 200 banners highlighting each of the graduates' faces. Mineola Fire Department and high school teachers lined the high school parking lot, cheering and waving for their students as the parade finale.*

- *Receiving a special gift from their class advisers.*
- *Participating in a virtual National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, Science National Honor Society Induction Ceremony, Science Research Symposium and Student Service Center Awards Ceremony for all students.*

In addition, the district held a drive-through graduation for seniors, where they could drive up to the school building at designated times, receive their diploma case and take a picture in front of the mustang.



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3.) Sofia Berger
Adelphi University -
Early Childhood Education



4.) Stephen DaSilva
Stony Brook University -
Psychology



5.) Hugo Amador
Cornell University -
Neurobiology and Behavior



6.) Alyssa Garbarini
Adelphi University -
Education



7.) Nicole Laszewski
Georgetown University -
Business



8.) Madeline Irish
Georgia Tech -
Aerospace Engineering



9.) Anushka Patel
University of Michigan -
Biomedical Engineering



10.) Morgan Brady
University of Maryland -
Hearing and Speech Sciences



11.) Stephanie Pereira
Adelphi University -
Exercise Science



12.) Melissa Pereira
Adelphi University -
Marketing



13.) Amy Shin
UC Santa Barbara -
International Affairs



14.) Alisha Augustine
Hofstra University -
Political Science



15.) Zhengda Huang
Northeastern University



16.) Christina John
New York Institute of Technology
- BSDO



17.) Nicholas Treibman
University of Massachusetts
Amherst - Political Science



18.) Colleen Talty
Molloy College -
Nursing



19.) Carmen Lima
Adelphi University -
Undecided



20.) Suruthica Nimalan
Seton Hall University -
Physician Assistant



21.) Rebecca Tobar
University of Massachusetts
Amherst - Music Performance



22.) Gabriela Paternostro
University of Hartford -
Health Sciences



23.) Daniella Condon
Massachusetts College of Pharmacy
and Health Sciences - PA Pathway



24.) Dayana Restrepo
Stony Brook University -
Biochemistry



25.) Caitlin Miranda
University of Connecticut -
Nursing



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