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# Outreach

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## Gaining Steam with **STEM**



Mineola is one of the first districts in the country to partner with Kid Knowledge-Knowing Science, which includes science concepts that align with the innovative principles of the Next Generation Science Standards and maintains a rigorous curriculum that also encompasses NYS science standards. The program gives students a truly innovative STEM (science, technology, engineering and math) education by utilizing cutting-edge technology to help children of all ages understand the principles behind engineering design problems.

Lessons integrate literacy and mathematics and reinforce the Common Core Learning Standards as well as social learning, cognitive development and communication skills.

“There were a lot of different topics this year, and it was very interesting,” student Andreas Rodriguez said of the program. “My favorite was working with the live crayfish. We got to look at their anatomy up close and discovered how they respond to stimuli firsthand. It was more fun to learn about something that was actually there.”

After implementing the Kid Knowledge-Knowing Science program in the new science laboratory throughout the year, students at Jackson Avenue presented some of their best work at a special STEM Night with Kid Knowledge- Knowing Science founder Dr. William Banko. Parents,

“It is exciting to see how engaged the students are with all the hands-on learning activities when working in the science labs,” Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Assessment Patricia Burns said. “Within their classrooms, students have expanded opportunities to read interesting and informative articles and books about life science, physical science, Earth science and engineering concepts. Knowing Science has also helped the students make connections between mathematics and science in a way that makes real sense to them.”

The district will be expanding its STEM program next year to incorporate the arts. The new program will be referred to as STEAM and will be highlighted in the Fall 2014 edition of the Outreach.

### The exhibits included:

- Ocusystem – cataract surgical unit
- Electricity and electric circuits
- STEM bridge model
- Motion and motion machines
- Crayfish
- Hurricane houses
- Measurements
- Energy and forms of energy
- Balanced and unbalanced forces
- Simple machines and inclined planes

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peers and administrators were invited to view the life science, earth science, physical science and engineering skills that students had honed with science teacher Teresa Dawber. On display were hands-on demonstrations, posters and interactive iPad activities.



# Best Communities for Music Education

For the sixth year in a row, Mineola has been selected as one of the Best Communities for Music Education in the U.S.

This designation was given to only 376 districts nationwide by the National Association of Music Merchants Foundation, which measured districts across curricular and programmatic criteria, as well as through public support of their music programs. Only the top-rated districts in the country were chosen. This is the 15th year NAMM has recognized this distinction among districts.

The district congratulates its entire music staff on this incredible honor.

## Celebrate 35 Years of Musical Theater in Mineola

The second annual alumni-run student summer showcase will feature musical numbers from the past. The showcase is Aug. 8 at 8 p.m. at Mineola High School theater. Tickets are currently available online at [mineoladrama.com](http://mineoladrama.com) or at the box office at Mineola High School.



# Alumni Spotlight

## Matthew Yarri, Class of 2010

Matthew Yarri, ranked No. 3 in Mineola High School's Class of 2010, graduated from Harvard on May 29 with a Bachelor of Science. He majored in engineering sciences (mechanical engineering) and will begin working with IDinsight on his first project in Africa this fall.

During his time in Mineola, Matt was heavily involved in the theater program, marching band and student service center. "My work in the student service center really influenced what I am doing today," he said. "I was really close with Ms. Regan and Ms. Burke; they always stressed the importance of doing work that is meaningful."

In his four years at Harvard, Matt was in charge of the outreach for the college's student-run shelter. During his summers, he participated in internships with other Harvard students. In collaboration with

the Indian Institute of Science in Bangalore, he and his friends visited many hospitals to determine whether there were any unmet needs and how they might be able to help. They also worked in India on further advancing solar lanterns for areas without power-grid electricity. "Change in these areas is very incremental, and there is rarely an easy technological fix," he said. "Trips were more about building relationships and helping a little at a time. I saw a lot of things that were well-intentioned, but didn't always work. And I began exploring why certain programs work and others fail, despite both starting with equally good intentions."

This type of analysis will be the basis of Matt's work in Zambia beginning in September. He will be responsible for a project from start to finish in which he will be designing, running and analyzing the efficacy of

an as-yet-unnamed outreach project for the area. During his two-year contract with the company IDinsight, Matt will be running and analyzing a number of pilot programs to address social issues such as health, poverty and education across the globe. Essentially, he will be reporting back to the company on whether the outreach is being maximized within the communities in study. The work in Africa will utilize the analytical and mathematical skills Matt honed in college while incorporating his service-driven sensibility.

Matt was one of 70 recipients from Harvard to receive the Hoopes Prize for his thesis "An Exoskeleton Device to Assist in Downhill Walking." This honor is given to graduates who create outstanding theses. He will be traveling west with college roommates for the summer and will return to Harvard to run



basecamp for the college's First-Year Outdoor Program – an orientation program that takes incoming freshmen on weeklong camping trips to ease the transition to college. In September, he will report to Zambia.

"I feel like my entire college experience has been defined by me finding communities that have challenged me to grow," he shared. "I changed a lot in college as a result of that. I'm excited about Africa – it will be new and unpredictable."

# Math Teacher of the Year

Lindsay Spanhake, a six-year educator in Mineola Middle School, was named Middle School Math Teacher of the Year by the Nassau County Math Teacher's Association. She was nominated for the award by instructional leader Andrew Casale for the way she encourages students every day, and for her overall involvement in the school. She was presented with a plaque at the organization's annual awards dinner on May 21.

In addition to serving as a math teacher, Ms. Spanhake is co-leader of the school's Environmental Club, adviser of the Math Pioneers and a chaperone for all school dances and trips. "I've always wanted to be a teacher," she said. "I always tell my students that as long as they work hard, they will be successful." Each year, she has students create stars, which hang on her board year-round, that include three non-math-related goals they want to accomplish by the end of the year, in addition to who and what motivates them to succeed. In her classroom, she uses inquiry-based learning, promotes teamwork and tries to always connect math to everyday life.

Ms. Spanhake earned her Bachelor of Science in elementary and middle school education from the University of Delaware and her Master of Science in special education from Hunter College. She recently received tenure in the district.





# Graduation Issue



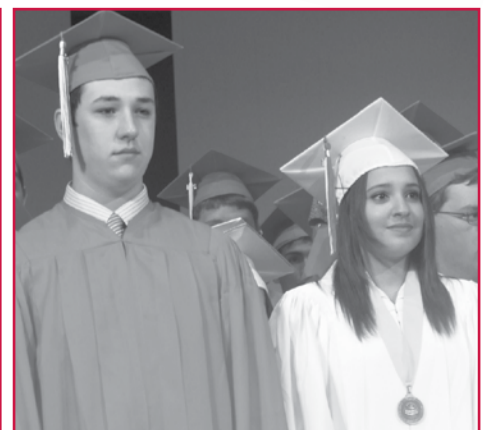
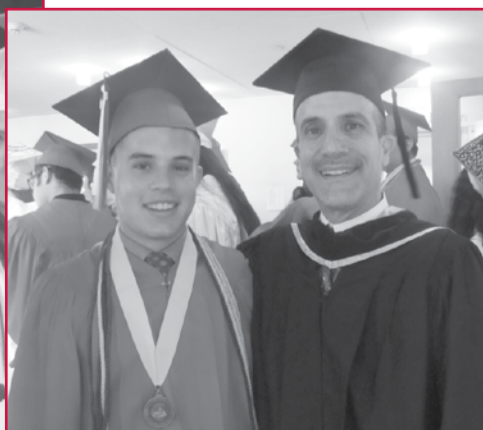
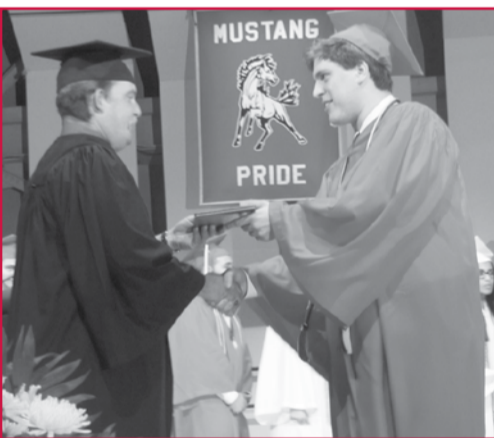
## Music Sets the Tone FOR CLASS OF 2014

Graduation has come and gone, but the “rest is still unwritten...” The song “Unwritten” by Natasha Bedingfield supplied the theme for the 123rd commencement exercises for Mineola High School’s graduating Class of 2014. Sung at the ceremony by Kathryn Barnwell, Rebecca Bastos, Michelle Senra and Bonnie Small, the lyrics to the song were referenced in many of the morning’s speeches. This year’s musical performances also featured “In My Life” by John Lennon and Paul McCartney and a lively and unique rendition of “The Star-Spangled Banner” by Jasmine and Mario Muchlis.

Valedictorian Kristen Sze-Tu, salutatorian Joyce Hwang and Senior Class President Emilia Beszterda each addressed the crowd, reminiscing on their favorite pastimes and providing words of encouragement for the future of their peers. All mentioned the feeling of family that filled the halls at Mineola High School. And family it was, as Board of Education President Arthur Barnett distributed diplomas to each of the graduates, among them his daughter Kerri Anne, and Principal Ed Escobar’s son, Jacob.

The program concluded with the ceremonious turning the cap tassel from left to right and tossing of the caps into the air. As Bedingfield says in her song: “I’m just beginning, the pen’s in my hand, ending unplanned.”

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**Kristen Sze-Tu – Valedictorian**  
**Washington University • Undecided**

- Weighted average: 100.15
- Accolades: AP Scholar with Honor, All-County artist and Long Island Science and Engineering Fair participant
- Senior activities: Paint manager for Drama Club and secretary of the Student Organization
- Special programs: 2013 summer program at Brown, 2012 EXPLOR senior program at Yale and 2011 Johns Hopkins CTY program
- Most significant academic achievement: Winning National PTA Reflections Program award in third grade, which kick-started a desire to strive for excellence and sparked a growing interest in writing
- Self-described: Sensitive, sentimental and contemplative



*“The moment that really stands out for me is the time that we had class outside in sixth-grade English with Mr. Kandel. I don’t know why it resonates so much, I just remember it making me so happy.”*

**Joyce Hwang – Salutatorian**  
**Vanderbilt University • Undecided**

- Weighted average: 99.57
- Accolades: AP Scholar with Honor, All-County musician and Long Island Science and Engineering Fair participant
- Senior activities: Environmental Club, Chamber Ensemble, Dynamics choir, A Cappella choir, JOY Christian Club – Core Leader, Key Club, Drama Club, vice president of Mathletes, National Honor Society, National Science Honor Society, Tri-M Honor Society, Student Service Center and Science Research at Winthrop University Hospital
- Special programs: Johns Hopkins CTY – Civic Leadership Institute
- Most significant academic achievement: Getting three 5s on her Advanced Placement exams last year – it was proof that she made the most of the class and succeeded academically in those classes
- Self-described: Joyful, caring and diligent



*“My most memorable moment was the last day of class with Mr. Kandel in sixth grade. We had a small party, and it was just a nice celebration of the bond and family we created as a group over the year.”*

**Joyce Rhim – #3**  
**Cornell University • Biomedical Engineering**

- Weighted average: 98.79
- Accolades: National Merit Finalist and AP Scholar with Honor
- Senior activities: President of Mathletes, co-founder of JOY Christian Club, Environmental Club member, Jazz Band, Chamber Ensemble, A Cappella choir, Dynamics, Student Service Center, NY-NJ United Youth Orchestra – concertmaster and member of Korean American Youth Federation: We Are Future Leaders
- Special programs: Youth Community Action Program (2013)
- Most significant academic achievement: Being salutatorian at her moving-up from Mineola Middle School, which motivated her to continue to work hard and maintain her grades through high school
- Self-described: Humorous, creative and rational



*“My most memorable Mineola moment was when we went to the Catskills in eighth grade with our entire class. We got to experience nature and bond with our class.”*

**Caroline Mueller – #4**  
**Northeastern University • Environmental Engineering**

- Weighted average: 97.56
- Accolades: First place in environmental science at LISEF and AP Scholar with Honor
- Senior activities: Captain of varsity girls track and field, Italian Club, Environmental Club, Chamber Ensemble, Student Service Center, SPARC Science National Honor Society, National Honor Society, Music National Honor Society and Venture Crew (outside school)
- Special programs: Hofstra summer science research program
- Most significant academic achievement: Winning fourth place in New York State and first place in the environmental science category from this year’s Long Island Science and Engineering Fair
- Self-described: Dedicated, adventurous and studious



*“My favorite memory was finding out that I won first place for environmental science at the Science and Engineering Fair and fourth in the state while I was running at the state qualifying meet at Mitchell Field.”*

**Mallory Brady – #5**  
**Northeastern University • Biochemistry**

- Weighted average: 97.41
- Accolades: AP Scholar with Distinction and LISEF participant
- Senior activities: Captain of Color Guard, president of Environmental Club, National Honor Society member, treasurer of Science National Honor Society and Mathletes member
- Special programs: Hofstra summer science research program
- Most significant academic achievement: Being named an AP Scholar with Distinction
- Self-described: Dedicated, responsible and independent



*“My most memorable moment was performing at championships with the Rockettes.”*

**Christopher Farrell – #6**  
**University of New Haven • Chemical Engineering**

- Weighted average: 97.19
- Accolades: AP Scholar
- Senior activities: Vice president of Science Honor Society, captain of varsity soccer team, varsity basketball team member, varsity baseball team member, Athletes Helping Athletes, PE Leadership, SADD, Key Club, Science Club, National Honor Society
- Most significant academic achievement: Achieving an overall 4.0 GPA throughout high school
- Self-described: Passionate, hard working and charismatic



*“My favorite Mineola moment was when the baseball team won the conference championship this year. We worked hard, went to Florida for spring training, put in a lot of hard work, and came out victorious.”*

**Christina Vafiadis – #7**  
**Adelphi University • Nursing**

- Weighted average: 97.01
- Senior activities: Student Service Center, SADD, Computers, Lunch Bunch, Peer Tutoring
- Special programs: Winthrop Hospital volunteer
- Most significant academic achievement: Maintaining her position on the high honor roll throughout high school
- Self-described: Compassionate, dedicated and helpful



*“My most memorable moment has to be the Mineola Macaroni Making a Difference Night fundraiser when I was in 11th grade. My AP U.S. History class hosted it to raise money for the INN, which our school always works to help. Service was always ingrained in me as a little kid, but high school is when I really got to dive into it and it has really become a part of who I am. This event just brought it all together for me.”*

**Kristina Goncalves – #8**  
**Adelphi University • Mathematics Engineering**

- Weighted average: 96.68
- Accolades: AP Scholar
- Senior activities: President of GSA, Drama Club, Dynamics, Chamber Ensemble, Peer Tutoring, National Honor Society member, Science National Honor Society member
- Most significant academic achievement: Being ranked #8 in her graduating class
- Self-described: Friendly, hard working and talented



*“My favorite Mineola moment is definitely my graduation from drama. We had a senior recognition ceremony after our last performance where we all received roses. We all came together and it really symbolized the family that we all created in drama.”*

**Jake Tavernite – #9**  
**Sacred Heart University • Physical Therapy**

- Weighted average: 96.37
- Accolades: All-County athlete
- Senior activities: Captain of cross-country team, captain of winter and spring track, Athletes Helping Athletes, Key Club, secretary of Science Honor Society, National Honor Society
- Special programs: Williston Park Patriots baseball team, coaches Williston Park Little League
- Most significant academic achievement: Being #9 in his graduating class
- Self-described: Caring, confident and outgoing



*“My favorite Mineola memory was when we won the county championship for the 4x800 last year. Winning in a relay instead of an individual race is more special because you aren’t just running for yourself, you’re running for your team. It was just really special, especially since Mineola isn’t known for its track and field.”*

**Clare Connaughton – #10**  
**University of Pennsylvania • Political Science**

- Weighted average: 96.05
- Accolades: AP Scholar with Honor, 2013 QuestBridge National College Match finalist, National Hispanic Scholar
- Senior activities: Drama Club, Chamber Ensemble, Dynamics, secretary of Mathletes, Newspaper Club, vice president of National Honor Society, International Thespian Honor Society, president of Student Service Center Leadership Council
- Special programs: Volunteers



*“My favorite memory was when my AP World History class had this project where we had to make paper people. Someone made a model of Francisco Pizzaro that we turned into a piñata.”*



Joyce Rhim was honored by Principal Ed Escobar with the Principal’s Leadership Award for exhibiting good character and overall excellence.



(From left) Christine Zarins (counselor), Sarah Lee, Alessia Maldonado, Shanelle Abreu, Nicole Silva, Elizabeth Turner (counselor), Karen Cordani (in the back – counselor) Megan Braun, Donna Joyce (in the back- counselor), Dr. Whitney Smith (Director of Guidance).

**Senior Awards**

In an annual tradition, members of the junior class served their upperclassmen breakfast as part of Mineola High School’s annual Senior Awards Breakfast on June 11. Members of the Class of 2014 were honored for their hard work, dedication and commitment to their school and community with more than 290 awards and approximately \$73,000 in scholarships.



Michelle Senra received the Mineola Choral Society’s Peter J. Haller Vocal Excellence Award.



Courtney Capobianco received the Principal’s Goodwill Award from Principal Ed Escobar.





# Class of 2014

Shanelle Kristine Abreu  
 Hunter R. Acosta  
 Raymond M. Agrelo  
 Leticia Guadalupe Aguilar Garay  
 Nicholas A. Amato  
 Kevin Amendoeira  
 Pallak Anand  
 Ryan C. Angela  
 Gabriel Antonio Anjo  
 Elizabeth Lee Annala  
 Anthony Joseph Anobile  
 Taylor Marie Attard  
 Alice Michele Barajas  
 Kerri Anne Barnett  
 Kathryn C. Barnwell  
 Matthew Cunha Barroca  
 Rebecca L. Bastos  
 Selena Noemi Benavidez-Granados  
 Bruno Alberto Benitez  
 Stefani Benvegna  
 Dylan P. Bestler  
 Emilia Beszterda  
 Vincent W. Bieniek  
 Sabrina Paola Borges  
 Mallory Anne Brady  
 Megan Alyssa Braun  
 James M. Breslin  
 Issa Nasser Brito Hamidah  
 Courtney E. Capobianco  
 Emily Mary Carboine  
 Anthony Paul Caruso  
 Bruna Carvalho  
 Beatriz Jardim Cavalcante  
 Rebecca Chiu  
 Ho Y. Chung  
 Michael Collins  
 Clare Connaughton  
 Marissa Marie Cotroneo  
 Jerome Coyle  
 Anthony Simon Cueter Jr  
 Joao Cunha  
 Jonathan Blake Czubakowski  
 Jake Dekanchuk  
 Matthew Diaz  
 RosaLee Faith DiBenedetto  
 Marisa DiGrigoli  
 Alexia Marie DosSantos  
 Gabriel Echeverry  
 Matthew Eisen  
 Genesis Eras

Ashley Erazo  
 Jacob T. Escobar  
 Kenneth Faath  
 Christopher J. Farrell  
 Michael Alexander Fernandes  
 Valerie Teresa Fischer  
 Eva Luz Fontanez  
 Nicole Marie Forte  
 Jenni-Ellen Fucci  
 Camilo Garcia  
 Michael Giaimo  
 Timothy Christopher Gill  
 Quinn H. Ginsberg  
 Christina M. Gomes  
 Kristina Marie Goncalves  
 Michael Goncalves  
 Simone Goodman  
 Leo J. Gorry  
 Kostas Goudelis  
 Drew Goulet  
 Jason J. Grillo  
 Lorenzo Miguel P. Gulinao  
 Douglas Scot Hale  
 Margaret Hardiman  
 Nicole Lindsi Hartlett  
 Emily Hassett  
 Brendan Healey  
 Ana Hermsdorf  
 Katharine Elizabeth Hoops  
 Jane Patricia Hostomsky  
 Joyce Hwang  
 Nicholas Kenneth Iadevaio III  
 Mark Jackson  
 Yesenia Jaramillo  
 Kyle R. Jenkins  
 Rachel Marie Keaveney  
 Joseph E. Kelly  
 Megan Marie Kelly  
 Ryan Kelly  
 Jessica Louise Kern  
 Danielle Kosowski  
 Kaitlyn M. Latella  
 Nelson Leal  
 Sarah A. Lee  
 Seung Won Lee  
 Antonio Leone  
 Douglas Llanes  
 Erek Jourdan Lucio  
 John Anthony Lusardi  
 Melissa L. Magalhaes

Alessia Maldonado  
 Emmett Theodore Maloney  
 Amy Grace Marino  
 Anthony Marmo  
 Joao Marques  
 Jonah Martens-James  
 Christian Martin  
 Dania Martinez  
 Bruna Martins  
 Emily Pereira Martins  
 Mallory Jayne Mayfield  
 Meghan Marie McCabe  
 Daniel Mendes  
 Samantha Ashley Mendes  
 Thalia Mendes  
 Vanessa C. Mendes  
 Nicole M. Mengler  
 Jaclyn Christine Miller  
 Desiree Mohammadi  
 Jacobo R. Molina  
 Rute Morais  
 Eneyda I. Morales  
 Kristin Rose Moro  
 Leonard T. Morra  
 Jasmine Muchlis  
 Mario Muchlis  
 Caroline Mueller  
 Timothy Joseph Natale  
 Nicholas Nunez  
 Nicholas Liam O'Connor  
 Shawn H. Olcese  
 Kevin Oliveira  
 Eamon T. O'Neill  
 Meaghan O'Neill  
 Jibin Kunnel Oommen  
 Justin C. Oommen  
 Christopher John Pagnani  
 David Park  
 Jinal Patel  
 Patrick Patterson  
 Nicholas Robert Pellicane  
 Brian James Pereira  
 Nicholas A. Pereira  
 Christopher Perri  
 Anthony Pires  
 Samantha Nicole Pires  
 Kathryn J. Priolo  
 Lauren Marie Pucci  
 Brendan Pusey  
 Dylan Thomas Randazzo

Mersim Redzematovic  
 Ruben Renderos  
 Edward Anthony Retta  
 Joyce Rhim  
 Jason Rivera  
 Andrew L. Rodriguez  
 Jose Roldan-Garcia  
 Mary Rom  
 Liana Roveda  
 Rodney S. Ruff  
 Nirmal Issac Sabu  
 Cassandra Altagracia Salomon  
 Leslie Sandoval  
 Geralyn Marie Santos  
 Luisa Maria Segura  
 Michelle Senra  
 Natalie C. Sequeira  
 Emanuele Sgarra  
 Ryan Michael Shevlin  
 Ansel Mary Shibu  
 Brandon Sia  
 Nicole Luisa Silva  
 Bonnie Small  
 Alden Solon  
 Pedro Sousa  
 Michael Sullivan  
 Kristen Nicole Sze-Tu  
 Jake Tavernite  
 Shannon Danielle Timlin  
 Oscar E. Tobias  
 Milandip Singh Toor  
 Gilberto Torres  
 Rebecca Nicole Torres  
 Sarah Christina Trested  
 Jessica Tullo  
 Christina Dimitra Vafiadis  
 Jennifer Vasek  
 Zachary Vega  
 Edwin J. Vela  
 Melvin Y. Vela  
 Francisco Velasquez  
 Kristyn Jolyn Velez  
 David Charles Vercillo  
 Patricia Villacreses  
 Toni Brigid Viviani  
 Lauren A. Walton  
 Taylor Wong  
 Kimberly Zaldivar



# APP EXPO

Third-graders at Jackson Avenue culminated a monthlong research and technology project on May 30 with an App Expo that showcased their hard work over the prior weeks. For the assignment, students in Connie Killian's class researched various nonprofit organizations and split into groups based upon their organizations of interest. As a group, students developed the idea for an app that might help raise money for their charity of choice. Ronald McDonald House, Make-A-Wish Foundation, North Shore Animal League and the World Wildlife Fund were just a few of the charities selected by the groups.

"This project was really amazing; the kids had a lot of fun," Ms. Killian said. "It allowed them to be creative, while meeting a lot of the state standards."

In addition to creating the conceptual app, the children made posters, keynotes, songs and/or an iMovie to accompany their presentations. The expo was made interactive through the use of QR codes, which visitors could scan, and quizzes that other student visitors were invited to take after viewing the projects.

Each group also wrote to their respective charity to describe their project, and in many cases, a representative from the organization attended the expo. Some students were even asked to attend meetings with the organization's officials as a follow-up on their ideas.

This project - the first of its kind at Jackson Avenue - was a huge success, as it allowed students to combine learning with creativity.

## RESEARCH *Rock Stars*

Every student in the district is required to complete a research project at the end of the school year. The projects reinforce age-appropriate Common Core skills, such as extracting main ideas, organizing thoughts, and practicing speech and language presentation skills. Each grade researched a curriculum-based topic and spent time in the library and class putting together the research and presentations in the last weeks of school.

For example, at Meadow Drive School,

second-grade students spent countless hours researching and preparing presentations for their final projects on ecosystems and habitats. Students were required to focus on the native animals, plants and habitats for their selected ecosystem and then put the most important information into a formal paper and slides for a PowerPoint presentation.

"The students have been working really hard with the librarian and their individual



teachers to put these standards-based projects together," said teacher Missy Uryevick. "I'm very proud of how far they have come with this."

Final presentations were made at the end of May for all grade levels to family and special guests.



## In Recognition of Fitness

The Hampton Street School physical education department honored four students for their outstanding performance in physical education class throughout the 2013-14 school year. Teacher Joe Cerulli honored Eunice Lee, Michaela Palumbo, Andrew Basel and Stephen Franz for their efforts this year. Congratulations to the students.

## Reading Contest Winners

Five students from Meadow Drive School received certificates of merit from the Nassau Reading Council's Young Author's

Contest. Several months ago, the students submitted biographies to the contest. Theirs were among more than 700 entries received by the Nassau Reading Council this year.

(Pictured from left) William Massaro, Julia Manevitz, Christian Uglialoro-Reyes, Isabella Guzzardo and Muhammad Baloch all earned certificates from the organization.





# SPORTS WRAP-UP

The athletic program capped off a great year with the 2014 Varsity Awards Banquet held at Jericho Terrace. The evening was well-attended, as more than 300 people packed the room to honor the efforts of all the members of the athletic program. Coaches spoke fondly of student-athletes' accomplishments and summarized highlights of each season. Special award winners of the evening included Jake Tavernite and Courtney Copabianco, who were awarded the Sportsmanship Award based on their athletic achievement and ability to create a positive, competitive environment for their teammates throughout their careers at Mineola. John Lusardi and Emily Martins received the coaches' "Old Reliable" award based on their consistent overall effort and team contributions throughout the course of their participation in the program. Kathryn Priolo and Vincent Bieniek were awarded the Athlete of the Year Award, as they were honored for their performance and positive leadership abilities as role models for younger student-athletes in the program.

The following is a list of all the award winners for the 2013-14 school year:

## GIRLS VOLLEYBALL

All-County – Valerie Fischer  
All-Class – Courtney Capobianco  
All-Conference – Tara Maloney, Samantha Pastore

## GIRLS SOCCER

All-County – Nicole Forte  
All-Class B – Catherine Cunningham  
All-Conference – Sabrina Ferreri, Samantha Mendes  
Senior Scholar-Athlete – Nicole Forte

## BOYS SOCCER

All-County – Daniel Pardo  
All-Conference – Christopher Farrell,  
Andrew Pereira  
Senior Scholar-Athlete – Mersim Redzematovic

## FOOTBALL

All-County – Vincent Bieniek  
All-Conference – Ryan Eccher, Christian Martin,  
Justin Oommen  
National Football Foundation Scholar-Athlete –  
Anthony Caruso  
Unsung Hero – Zachary Vega

## CROSS-COUNTRY

All-County – Jake Tavernite  
All-Conference – Marissa Cotroneo, Caroline Mueller  
All-Division – Douglas Demagistris, Ryan Kelly

## GIRLS BOWLING

All-County – Marissa Buonincontro  
All-Conference – Lauren Pucci

## BOYS BOWLING

All-County – Anthony Macchietto  
All-Division – William Andrade  
All-Conference – John Lusardi

## WRESTLING

All-County – Luigi Athan, James Rodriguez,  
Anthony Sarno, Milandip Toor  
County Champion – Edien Hincapie,  
Peter McCormack  
All-Conference – Kyle Dunleavy

## GIRLS BASKETBALL

All-Class – Samantha Venus  
Academic All State Scholar Athlete –  
Kathryn Priolo

## BOYS' WINTER TRACK

All-County – Jake Tavernite-3200 State Qualifier

All-Conference –  
600 & 4x400m Relay – Dylan Bestler  
4x400m Relay – Anthony Cueter,  
Christopher Mueller, John Murray  
High Jump – Thomas Farrell  
1000 & 600 – Robert Lang, Jake Tavernite  
Shot Put – Andrew Periera

## GIRLS WINTER TRACK

All-Conference –  
600 Shot Put– Long, Triple,  
High Jump – Jenna Pareti  
3200, 600, 4x800 – Marissa Cotroneo  
4x800 1500 Walk – Amy Wetzel

## SOFTBALL

All-County – Mallory Donelan, Emily Skupp  
Hon. Mention All-County – Valerie Fischer,  
Kathryn Priolo  
All-Conference – Samantha Venus

## BOYS LACROSSE

All-County – John Clancy, James Gerstner  
Hon. Mention All County – Timothy Gill  
All-Conference – Kyle Dunleavy, Peter  
McCormack, Brian Smith

## GIRLS LACROSSE

All-County – Courtney Capobianco  
Scholar Athlete – Courtney Capobianco  
All-Conference – Emma Fater, Alexandra Iannelli  
Old Reliable – Aline Muller

## BASEBALL

All-County – Vincent Bieniek  
MVP League A-4 – Nicholas Iadevaio  
All-Conference – John Lusardi  
All-League – Michael Conte, Steven DePalma

## SPRING TRACK

All-County – 400 Hurdles – Dylan Bestler  
All-Division – 1500/800 – Marissa Cotroneo  
100m Hurdles – Deborah Gabbay



MABC President Brian Riordan, Vincent Bieniek, Kathryn Priolo and Athletic Director Ralph Amitrano.

At the senior breakfast the following student-athletes were recognized:

## BOOSTER CLUB SENIOR SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

Dylan Bestler	Doug Hale
Marissa Cotroneo	Justin Oomen
Christopher Farrell	Caroline Mueller
Valerie Fischer	Christian Martin

## U.S. ARMY SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD

Christopher Farrell  
Caroline Mueller

## U.S. MARINES DISTINGUISHED ATHLETE AWARD

Anthony Caruso  
Nicole Forte

## U.S. NAVY ATHLETIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Marissa Cotroneo  
Nicholas Iadevaio

## SCHOLAR ATHLETE TEAM AWARD

Boys Cross-Country, Girls Cross-Country, Girls Soccer, Girls Volleyball, Basketball, Girls Winter Track, Boys Winter Track, Softball, Girls Lacrosse, Girls Spring Track, Boys Spring Track

## Calendar Notice

District calendars are slated for delivery in mid-August to the homes of all residents who have a child currently enrolled in the district. For those who do not have a child in the district, but would like a school calendar, please contact Sharon Macken at 237-2030 after Aug. 20.



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