Wall of Distinction Gets Two New Inductees

Two new names and photos have been added to the District’s Wall of Excellence honoring past or present faculty and staff members who have exhibited unforgettable commitment and service to the children of the Sandy Creek Central School District.

Peggy Potish Manchester, above, and Christine Spencer Yerdon above top, were inducted into the Wall of Distinction in a ceremony held at the school.

Congratulations Class of 2019

Alec Deion Balcom §
Kolby Hunter Banach
Andrew Paul Bartlett
Joseph Michael Jay Bendzunas
Hunter J. Boyle
Madison Rose Bradshaw
Kaleb Michael Brown
Courtney Cora-Lynn Burns  
Violet Lee Carkey §
Kayla Marie Carnes  § °
Stephany Ann Cole
Alexis Marie Cornell
Hannah Michelle Dasso §  
Cory Mayson Dearinger
Colbyn John Dinehart
Bailey Renee Fahnestock § °
Abigail Lynne Fitzpatrick §  
Jonas A. Fizette
Faith Fox
Vanessa Fox
Christopher Raymond Francisco
Violet Elizabeth Graf
Dimitri Ivanlee Greany
Nathan Michael Grinnell  §
Alexis Guyette
Kyrsten Ellissabeth Hall
Alaina Grace Hathaway §  
Logan Michael Haynes
Sean Hennigan §  
William Henry
Andrew Paul Hermann
John Irwin
Sidney T. Jenkins
Eric James Kennedy §
Crystal Lynn King
Hunter Michael Lachenauer
Alison Marie Lantry §  
Dakota H. Loomis
Carly Austin Lyndaker §
Zachary Martin
Tirome McBroon
Joseph Alexander Metott §
Caleb M. Miller  
Dominick Miller
Shelby Morgan Miller §
Jadyn Gabrielle Mullin
Jordyn Rachele Mullin
Lucas Patrick Myers
Emily Ruth Paternoster
Caleigh Lauren Jade Rosenbaum § °
MacKenzie Lynne Sherman
Brian Sickler §
David Alan Snell  
Timothy James Snell
Krystal R. Snyder §
Roselyn Marie Sprague
Kennedy Marie Sullivan §
Samantha Rose Walter §  °
Alexis Anne Wolfe §  
David B. Worden  
Bradlee David Youker
Margery Ellen Yousey §  °

§ Advanced Regents Diploma
° Honor Student
 National Honor Society
✦ National Technical Honor Society
♥ Math Endorsement
♦ Science Endorsement
○ CTE Endorsement
Dear Parent, Guardian, and School Staff:

New York State Education Law Section 409-H, effective July 1, 2001, requires all public and nonpublic elementary and secondary schools to provide written notification to all persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff regarding the potential use of pesticides periodically throughout the school year.

The following pesticide applications took place in the Sandy Creek Central School from March 31, 2019 to June 28, 2019:

- There have been no pesticide applications during the above stated period.

As a reminder, the Sandy Creek Central School District is required to maintain a list of persons in parental relation, faculty, and staff who wish to receive 48-hour prior written notification of certain pesticide applications. The following pesticide applications are not subject to prior notification requirements:

- A school remains unoccupied for a continuous 72-hours following an application;
- Anti-microbial products;
- Nonvolatile rodenticides in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- Nonvolatile insecticidal baits in tamper resistant bait stations in areas inaccessible to children;
- Silica gels and other nonvolatile ready-to-use pastes, foams, or gels in areas inaccessible to children;
- Boric acid and disodium octaborate tetrahydrate;
- The application of EPA designated biopesticides;
- The application of EPA designated exempt materials under 40CFR152.25;
- The use of aerosol products with a directed spray in containers of 18 fluid ounces or less when used to protect individuals from an imminent threat to stinging and biting insects including venomous spiders, bees, wasps, and hornets.

In the event of an emergency application necessary to protect against an imminent threat to human health, a good faith effort will be made to supply written notification to those on the 48-hour prior notification list.

If you have not yet registered to receive 48-hour prior notification of pesticide applications that are scheduled to occur in your school, please complete the form below and return it to Shelley H. Fitzpatrick, Sandy Creek Central School District Business Administrator at:

PO Box 248
Sandy Creek, NY 13145
Phone: 315-387-3445 x1510
Fax: 315-387-2196

**Sandy Creek Central School District**

**Request for Pesticide Application Notification (Please Print)**

_____________________________________________ School Building

Name:__________________________
Address:________________________
Day Phone _____________________ Evening Phone ________________
E-Mail Address:____________________

Please feel free to contact Andy Ridgeway, the Sandy Creek Central School District pesticide representative at: PO Box 248, Sandy Creek, NY 13145. Phone: 315-387-3445 x1510. Fax: 315-387-2196 for further information on these requirements, including information on the products that have been applied in this school.

Sincerely,

Shelley H. Fitzpatrick
Business Administrator

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**Pesticide Notice**

**Sandy Creek Central School District**

**AHERA/Asbestos Notification**

The Sandy Creek Central School, in accordance with the federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act (AHERA), maintains the complete Asbestos Management Plan at its 124 Salisbury Street, Sandy Creek location. Any questions regarding the plan should be directed to LEA designee Andy Ridgeway, Director of Facilities. He can be reached at 315-387-3445 x1535.

All requests to review the management plan can be made through the Sandy Creek Central School District Office at 315-387-3445.

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**Sandy Creek’s Pre-K Sail-a-bration**

The Sandy Creek Pre-K students marked their moving up to Kindergarten with a Pre-K Sail-a-bration where they showcased some of what they had learned throughout the year. The celebration, in front of family and friends, featured songs with actions about the days of the week, the alphabet and much more. Both morning and afternoon programs held separate celebrations and each student was presented with a portfolio of their work for them to keep and share with their family. A reception was held afterward for all attending.

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Fifth Graders Have “High Hopes” as They Move to Middle School

Fifth graders at Sandy Creek Elementary School are officially middle school students as they celebrated their achievements in a special ‘graduation’ ceremony at the school.

Awards were presented and each student received a moving up certificate as they crossed the stage as elementary students for the last time.

Following the awards and presentations a reception was held in the commons area for family and friends and photos were taken with their teachers in a special photo booth setting. Even Mr. Filiatrault got into the action as did families and friend groups.

Kindergarten Graduation “Greatest Show on Earth”

The Greatest Show Kindergarten Graduation featured an under the big top circus theme and began with a circus parade into the high school gymnasium where guests were gathered to see the moving up ceremony for the students. Each class was announced and presented with their ‘diploma’ before posing for photos. A special ‘graduation’ was also announced as Mrs. Darou’s sang ‘Somewhere Over the Rainbow’ marking her retirement from the District. After singing several songs, the students exited the gym with full fanfare and returned to their classrooms where the parties continued.
High School Academic Awards and Athletic Awards Ceremony

Students at Sandy Creek High School were recognized and honored with High School Academic and Sports Awards in a ceremony held at the school. Awards and scholarships were presented to students based on their academic achievements, leadership, citizenship and service to their school and community.

The top 10 seniors, ranked by final average were announced and included: #1 Margery Yousey, #2 Samantha ‘Rosie’ Walter, #3 Caleigh Rosenbaum, #4 Alexis Wolfe, #5 Carly Lyndaker, #6 Abbey Fitzpatrick, #7 Bailey Fahnestock, #8 Alaina Hathway, #9 Alison Lantry, and #10 Jadyn Mullin. Also recognized were outstanding athletes, Frontier League Scholar Athletes, tri-season athletes and individual athlete awards.

Tri-athlete awards were presented to: Abbey Fitzpatrick, Carly Lyndaker, Crystal King, Dakota Loomis, Kyrsten Hall, Samantha Walter, Bradley Youker, Caleb Miller, David Worden, Bailey Fahnestock, Emily Paternoster, Alaina Hathway, Joe Metott, Kayle Carnes, Courtney Burns, Hannah Dasno, Alison Lantry, Kaleb Brown, Kennedy Sullivan, Logan Haynes and Zach Martin.

Seymour Named HS Principal

Kevin Seymour has been named the new Sandy Creek High School Principal. Seymour graduated from Alexandria High School and attended SUNY Potsdam where he studied Social Studies and Special Education. He taught economics, history and government and as well as special education. He served as the SESIS Specialist at Jeff/Lewis BOCES before coming to Sandy Creek.

When he learned of the opening in the district he was drawn to the position by what the district has to offer to its students and the inclusion mindset ‘every student can succeed.’

‘That’s what drew me to Sandy Creek,’ he said. ‘Supporting all of their students and all of the opportunities students have here.’

The district’s goals align with his own goals for students and he knew immediately that this position was where he wanted to be. ‘The first time I came here and interviewed I felt so comfortable. I’m very grateful for the opportunity.’

Seymour has been hard at work preparing for the coming school year. His plan is to better understand the systems in place and build rapport with the faculty. He is excited to be able to support some of the initiatives already in place such as the roll out of Chrome Books this year at the 9-12 level. In addition, he has been working closely with Middle School Principal Amy Mollay to align expectations so that middle school students are prepared for the 9-12 expectations.

Seymour is married with two children and lives in Sackets Harbor. In his spare time he likes to read, watch sports and spend time with his family. He looks forward to getting to know students, staff and community members in his new position.
Second graders at Sandy Creek Elementary School held their annual Flag Day celebration where they performed songs, skits, and shared information about our Nation's Flag. The annual event is a long-standing tradition at the school and was attended by family, friends and first graders and celebrated, the heritage, history and honored the flag. Coordinated by Chorus Teacher Jackie Hobbs and second grade teachers at the school, the ceremony paid tribute to the flag from its beginning to what it continues to symbolize for our country today.

Eighth Grade Top 15 Honored

Sandy Creek Middle School students representing the top 15 in their 8th grade class, based on their entire Middle School career, are pictured following a recent luncheon honoring their academic accomplishment. In front, left to right are: Marissa Brennan, Tate Lallier, and Natalie LaCelle. In the middle row, left to right are: Kierra Davis, Abrielle Soluri, Maiya Hathaway, Rylee Katsoris, Kenneth Burd and Abby Chen. In back, left to right are: Elizabeth Glazier, Nikolai Rosenbaum, Noah Reff, Ryan Barney, Cody Walke and Riley Phillips. The students were recognized in a special luncheon by Middle School Principal Amy Molloy.

MS Student Awards Ceremony

Sandy Creek Middle School Principal Amy Molloy presented students with awards and recognitions at a special awards ceremony at the school recently. Students were honored for their academic success, leadership qualities, extracurricular participation and other recognitions and awards.

Annual First Grade Reading Tea

First grade students at Sandy Creek Elementary School celebrated a special annual tradition at the school, the First Grade Reading Tea. The event honors the importance of literacy in a unique way. Students invite special guests to come to their classroom where they take time to read one-on-one with their guest and read stories they wrote as well as other stories they enjoy to practice and showcase their reading abilities. Invited guests could be family, friends, and even staff members at the school.
Fourth Quarter Awards at ES

Sandy Creek Elementary School held their final Character Awards ceremony for the year. Students in grades K-2 and 3-5 were honored in separate ceremonies for exhibiting the character traits promoted by the Leader in Me, including the 8th trait: Finding your voice. Parents and family members were invited to witness the students' recognition.

The following students were honored for Habit #1: Be proactive – Kerrigan McNeely, Annabelle Grant, Esmeralda Livermore, Peytonn Wilson, Xavier Cronk, Emma Mccloskey, Michael Haverlock, Haley Nicole Broadhurst, Mackenzie Letson, Owen LaBozzetta and Alexander Baker.

Habit #2: Begin with the end in mind – Cameron Pool, Xavier Presley and Shane Allen.


Habit #5: Seek first to be understood, then to be understood – Eliott Price, Lacey Oregon, Christopher Meyer, Charlie Marshall, Phoebe Preston, Hayden Sedler and Jaxson Wheeler.


Finding your voice awards recognized students who have discovered what they are good at and what their strengths are in school, their community and in life.

Also recognized were students in leadership committees including student council and climate committee.

Climate Committee: Adelle Harris, Burke Harvey, Gabby Peter, Kaityn Perkins, Lylee Wall, Megan Burton, Nick Anderson, Nick Baker, Peyton Clark, Abigail Jones, Conner Demott, Dakota Balcom, Kayleigh Paro, Nathaniel Curry, Patience Oregon, Haidyn Soluri, Katerena Bartlett, Madden Soluri, Maddie Coe, Phoenicia Hathway and Simon Preston.

Student Council representatives included: Ana Potter, Chase Smith, Danielle Connors, Emily Mintonyoe, Natalie Howard, Noah Yerdon, Olivia LaCelle, Brooklynn Orr, Cole Zehr, Dylan Tennant, Maiyah Owen, Rowan McCarthy, Sam Tessier, Brody Pecha, Brynn Dreibelbis, Emma Gibbons, Hudson Hunt and Josiah Radley.

Third grade Find Your Voice awards and special area designations include: Danielle Connors (art), Grady Soluri (critical thinking), Joshua Herse (for doing a fine job working), Nicolas Baker (history), Georie Pollic (library), Hayden Martin (library), Rowan Wilson (library), Autumn Phillips (math), David Dillabough (math), Foster Totten (math), Juliana Curry (math), Kaityn Perkins (math), Peyton Clark (math), Burke Harvey (music), Carl Cranker (music), Khloe LeFevere (music), Tegan Kinney (music), Grady Soluri (PE), Mariah Broadhurst (PE), Kaityn Perkins (PE), Levi McNitt (PE), Burke Harvey (reading), Nathan Town (reading), Noah Yerdon (reading), Kendra Ortiz (science), Cayden LeRoy (social studies), Emily Mintonyoe (social studies), Jayden Klopotoski (social studies), Wyatt Bremm (social studies), Corey Hemingway (speaking up for others), Gage Ward (tech), Gauge Taylor (tech), Kendra Ortiz (tech, Wyatt Bremm (tech), Ana Potter (writing), Emily Walke (writing), Gabrielle Peter (writing), Natalie Nemier (writing).

Fourth graders earning a Find Your Voice award in a special area included: Cordelia Crast (academic), Zeydan Johnson (academic), Abigail Jones (academic), Maiyah Owen (academic), Lucas Davis (art), Matthew Totten (book talks), Conner DeMott (citizenship), Madison Burton (citizenship), Patience Oregon (friendship), Rowan McCarthy (friendship), Cole Zehr (leadership), Kylee Coe (librarian), Madison Burton (library), Marissa Hermann (library), Morgan Mears (library), Abigail Jones (music), Maiyah Owen (music), Rowan McCarthy (music), Anderson Stanton (PE), Tristen Martin (PE), Paris Sprague (PE), Hunter Green (reading), Noah Gioia (reading), Micah Burns (science), Conner DeMott (tech), Kyle Coe (tech), and Lynn Dumas (tech).

Fifth grade Find Your Voice awards were presented to: Phoenicia Hathway (advocacy), Lea Wall (all-around literacy), Lyndi Fitzgerald (art), Maleki Tennant (creativity), Alee Small (library), Jacoby Balcom (library), Josiah Radley (library), Baylee Williams (math), Dalton Mackey (math), Wyatt Guile (math), Hunter Soluri (music), Lola Tessier (music), Wyatt Guile (music), Haidyn Soluri (PE), Hudson Hunt (PE), Maddie Coe (PE), Brynn Dreibelbis (poetry), Isabella Taplin (reading), Brody Pecha (role model), Hector Salgado (science), Simon Preston (science), Alina Khan (social studies), Emma Gibbons (social studies), Henry Zimmermann (STEM), Alina Khan (tech), Henry Zimmerman (tech), Joshua Young (tech), Alex Rodriguez (throughout the entire school), and Lola Tessier (writing voice).

Good Kid award recipients include: Adelle Harris, Levi McNitt, Maiyah Owen, Eben Alley, Alina Khan, and Jacoby Balcom.

Fifth grader leadership awards were presented to Brody Pecha, Hector Salgado and Emma Sue Euler. Emma Gibbons was awarded the Jeane McKown Outstanding Leadership Award.

“Give Cancer the Boot” was theme for SC Relay for Life campaign in the District

Students and staff in grades K2 gathered for a group photo in support of Relay for Life as they gave cancer the boot in this year’s cowboy-themed campaign.

Grade 3-5 students show their support, raising money for the fight against cancer with Creekers for the Cure!
Welcome Special Police Officer Fred Baird

Baird is a life-long resident of Oswego County (other than military service). He married his high school sweetheart and raised two daughters in the area and has three grandchildren. He and his wife of almost 28 years live in New Haven where he enjoys the outdoors in his spare time: hunting, fishing, and snowmobiling. He also loves to travel and spend time with his grandchildren.

Baird serves the Sandy Creek District through a special arrangement with the Oswego County Sheriff's Department and Superintendent Kyle Faulkner credits Sheriff Hilton with making the position happen for Sandy Creek and other districts in the area. "Without Sheriff Hilton, this partnership would never have happened," said Faulkner, adding "he's been awesome in assisting with this position." Faulkner also indicated that the position aligns with the district's focus on safety, security and the well-being of students and staff in the district.

Free Summer Feeding Site at Sandy Creek

The Sandy Creek Central School District welcomes Oswego County Sheriff Officer Frederick Baird as their new Special Police Officer (SPO) on site for the coming school year. Baird will have an office at the school and will be on hand to enhance the safety and security for students, staff and the community.

One of Baird's goals in this position is to build positive relationships with students and he plans to be visible and accessible for the students each day. Another key part of the position at the school is the immediate response to any incidents and the ability to deal with a situation at the school level.

Baird has extensive experience in law enforcement and the military. He retired after 26 years with the Oswego County Sheriff's Department and has 28 years of experience in the military as an active military and National Guard member. He is a veteran of Desert Storm with the 101st Air Division.

The Sandy Creek Central School District is back at Sandy Creek for children 18 years of age and under. The free breakfast and lunch program is open Monday through Thursday from July 8 to August 8. Breakfast is served from 8:00 to 9:30 am and lunch from 10:45 am to 12:30 pm. The program is free of charge and no proof of income or residency is required. For more information, contact the food service department at Sandy Creek at 315-387-3445.

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