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NATIONAL SPEECH & DEBATE ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES

2022-23 SPEAKING AND SERVICE AWARD WINNERS

Students earn this award when they reach the maximum number of Honor Society service points in a given school year.

DES MOINES—The National Speech & Debate Association is proud to announce the winners of the 2022-2022 Speaking and Service Award, which recognizes students who have reached the maximum number of service points in the student Honor Society. From more than 140,000 members, fewer than 140 students received this recognition.

The National Speech & Debate Association’s Honor Society recognizes students for participation in speech and debate activities. Students earn distinction through speech and debate competition, as well as community service, public speaking, and leadership activities. Example service activities include judging a speech or debate round or coaching a practice for younger competitors.

“These students have demonstrated their strong commitment to using their speech and debate skills to help their peers, community, and this activity,” said National Speech & Debate Association Director J. Scott Wunn. “The Speaking and Service Award not only represents hours of work on behalf of others, but is evidence of these students’ culture of service. We are proud of their achievements!”

The 2022-2023 Speaking and Service Award Winners:

Samyukta Vimalraj (Bentonville High School, AR)

Ella Tompkins (Har-Ber High School, AR)

Daniel Taft (Conway High School, AR)

William Mitchell (Har-Ber High School, AR)

Kaneeka Chakraborty (Little Rock Central High School, AR)

Tatum Mikles (Episcopal Collegiate School, AR)

Alexis Li (Hamilton High School, AZ)

Arnav Nigam (Hamilton High School, AZ)

Leela Raj-Sankar (Hamilton High School, AZ)
Jorge Ramos (Cajon High School, CA)
Aswin Surya (Bellarmine College Prep, CA)
Rohit Vakkalagadda (Bellarmine College Prep, CA)
Pasha Raoufi (Redlands High School, CA)
Mihir Menon (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Akilan DorairajBellarmine (College Prep, CA)
Christie Hong (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Ellie Sohn (Flintridge Preparatory School, CA)
Sophia Tian (Prospect High School, CA)
Elizabeth Vasantachart (Cleveland High School, CA)
Melinda Michi" Synn" (Canyon Crest Academy, CA)
Rohan Lingam (Bellarmine College Prep, CA)
Audrey Bae (Fullerton Union High School, CA)
James Miller (Westlake High School, CA)
Tatiana Eden Ochoa (Cajon High School, CA)
Kelly Tanaka (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Sophie Chia (Westridge School, CA)
Jia He Xia (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Holden Lee (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Christopher Choi (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Roma Kapoor (Fairmont Preparatory Academy, CA)
Shane Masterson (Palisades Charter High School, CA)
Phi Chanda (Irvington High School, CA)
Jonathan Liu (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Ethan Park (Los Altos High School, CA)
Shreeya Dayitha Ram (Folsom High School, CA)
Grace Wieland (Westridge School, CA)
Grace Wang (Valley Christian High School, CA)
Jorge Zepeda(Cajon High School, CA)
Timothy Ha (Westlake High School, CA)
Aimee Ge (Los Altos High School, CA)
Kanishk Kondaka (Los Altos High School, CA)
Julian Hong (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Jenna Ersheid (Mountain View High School, CA)
Samarth Sethi (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Alton Zhang (Alhambra High School, CA)
Wendy Li (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Weixin Sun (Los Altos High School, CA)
Thomas Vosganian (Bellarmine College Prep, CA)
Maira Jaswal (Folsom High School, CA)
Kamakshi Gupta (Irvington High School, CA)
Joseph Sun (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)

Adeleine Choi (Parks Junior High, CA)
Janelle-Marie Batiste (Westlake High School, CA)
Kishor Rajmohan (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Caleb Lin (Los Altos High School, CA)
Aryeh Ohriner (Los Gatos High School, CA)
Jeffrey Mu (Bellarmine College Prep, CA)
Marcus Ling (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Bethany Liu (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Zisen (Samantha) Fan (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Gavin Lin (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Victoria Bui (Alhambra High School, CA)
Elizabeth Vuong (Mark Keppel High School, CA)
William Tu (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Keerath Pujji (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Sarina Shah (Palo Alto Senior High School, CA)
Ellyott Siffring (Resurrection Christian School, CO)
Halle Guber (George Washington High School, CO)
Sarita Patel (George Washington High School, CO)
Matthew Abrams (George Washington High School, CO)
Collin Corkill (Cherry Creek High School, CO)
Ashok Vasan (George Washington High School, CO)
Noah Zemel (George Washington High School, CO)
Nethra Naresh (MOT Charter School, DE)
Carlota Montas (Colegio Bilingue New Horizons, FL)
Bryce Ownby (Olympia High School, FL)
Maria Feliz Gil (Colegio Bilingue New Horizons, FL)
Aditya Krishnan (Lake Nona High School, FL)
Thomas Toole (Miami Beach Sr High School, FL)
Nikhil Daniel (Trinity Preparatory School, FL)
Sienna Reams (Marist School, GA)
Emerson Moore (Paideia School, GA)
Bradyn Bohnsack (CAM High School, IA)
Alison De Luna (Hoover High School, IA)
Aidan Jones (Hoover High School, IA)
Roland Preston (Des Moines Roosevelt High School, IA)
Christopher Chavez (East High School, IA)
Karlie Flam (East High School, IA)
Samuel Raymond (Norwalk High School, IA)
Carson Guzman (Norwalk High School, IA)
Ryan Peters (Norwalk High School, IA)
Erik Ramirez (East High School, IA)
Ana Swaner (Glenwood High School IL)
Creighton Getting (Naperville Central High School, IL)

Oliver Wood-Morris (Glenwood High School, IL)
Mustafa Tajammul (College Preparatory School Of America, IL)
Mackenzie Jones (Glenwood High School, IL)
Samuel Emrick (Glenwood High School, IL)
Georgette Gulley (Glenwood High School, IL)
Abhijay Salvi (Westfield High School, IN)
Ayaan Parikh (Wichita Collegiate Upper School, KS)
Patrick Wong (Lansing High School, KS)
Nicholas Connors (Independence High School, KS)
Morgan Olinger (USD 439 Sedgwick High School, KS)
Regan Giffin (USD 439 Sedgwick High School, KS)
Liam Mabry (USD 439 Sedgwick High School, KS)
Jacob Heier (USD 439 Sedgwick High School, KS)
Trishna Nikte (Shrewsbury High School, MA)
Pranathi Gadhanki (Shrewsbury High School, MA)
Melvin Joseph (Milton Academy, MA)
Alexandra Brevde (Waring School, MA)
Sean Kim (Reservoir High School, MD)
Trevor Oakley (Cape Elizabeth High School, ME)
Connor Smith (Apple Valley High School, MN)
Alex Schultze (Edina High School, MN)
Madigan Webb (Edina High School, MN)
Maya Haugen (Orono High School, MN)
Luka Jacobi-Krohn (Edina High School, MN)
Garrett Flack (Blue Springs South High School, MO)
Jaxson Marte (Central High School, MO)
Silas Bloch (Collegiate School Of Medicine & Bioscience, MO)
Kit Roesch (Collegiate School Of Medicine & Bioscience, MO)
Emily Matheny (Collegiate School Of Medicine & Bioscience, MO)
Alia Barker (Lebanon High School, MO)
Corisa Tapp (Lebanon High School, MO)
Michelle Lin (Marshall High School, MO)
James Petty (Marshall High School, MO)
Brooklyn Eiserer (Republic High School, MO)
Matthew McLeese (Rockhurst High School, MO)
Leeya Chaudhuri (William G. Enloe High School, NC)
Erick Zenteno (Carolina Day School, NC)
Rocio Vega-Saenz (Charlotte Catholic High School, NC)
Julianna Taylor (Charlotte Catholic High School, NC)
Anika Parthiban (Thomas Edison EnergySmart Charter School, NJ)
Sasha Caracalos (Princeton High School, NJ)
Matthew Lameo (Summit High School, NJ)
Uxue Sansinena (Los Alamos High School, NM)

Jonathan Adler (Coral Academy Of Science Las Vegas, NV)
Katharine Winer (Elko High School, NV)
Charles Bruno (Chaminade High School, NY)
David Jojan (Chaminade High School, NY)
Benjamin Kritzman (Chaminade High School, NY)
Anthony Gabrielli (Chaminade High School, NY)
Seamus Breslin (Chaminade High School, NY)
Richard Colasonno (Chaminade High School, NY)
Timothy Short (Central Catholic High School, OH)
Alec Pilati (Hoover High School, OH)
Kip Anna (Louisville Senior High School, OH)
Gavin Hunter (Columbus Academy, OH)
Arnav Nawani (Columbus Academy, OH)
David Werstler (Columbus Academy, OH)
Grace Holbrook (Columbus Academy, OH)
Stella Huang (Columbus Academy, OH)
Bella Lee (Columbus Academy, OH)
Dariel Rozinsky (Council Rock North High School, PA)
Kelsie Roloff (MacArthur High School, OK)
Thalia Henry (MacArthur High School, OK)
Dylan Helvey (MacArthur High School, OK)
Liberty Brown (MacArthur High School, OK)
Kaydence Aplin (MacArthur High School, OK)
scarlet lovelace (MacArthur High School, OK)
Caliel (CJ) Martinez-Perez (MacArthur High School, OK)
Cybill Crawford (MacArthur High School, OK)
Fynn Deuel (MacArthur High School, OK)
Ivy Ferdowsian (Putnam City North High School, OK)
Kelly Lao (CR North High School, PA)
Tharun Sunthar (North Allegheny High School, PA)
Jane Leifer (CR North High School, PA)
Siya Jain (North Allegheny High School, PA)
AugustGrace Young (CR North High School, PA)
Zohaib Rahman (North Allegheny High School, PA)
Krithi Ramnath (CR North High School, PA)
Siddharth Cheemalapati (Newtown Middle School, PA)
Thomas Kohler (Holy Ghost Prep, PA)
Joyce Xiao (Newtown Middle School, PA)
Alyce Zhang (Newtown Middle School, PA)
Liam Winkler (Holy Ghost Prep, PA)
Ian Candy (Brandon Valley High School, SD)
Venkata Yenuganti (Newman Smith High School, TX)
Nicollette Arabie (Buffalo High School, TX)

Arnav Mehta (Seven Lakes High School, TX)
Jason Zhao (Seven Lakes High School, TX)
Ryan Whalen (Ronald Reagan High School, TX)
Vibhu Kanna (Jordan High School, TX)
Colton De Los Santos (Dripping Springs High School, TX)
Parth Nikumbh (Seven Lakes High School, TX)
Miriam Navarro (Hallsville High School, TX)
Abhishek Bhagat (Jordan High School, TX)
Luis Carvajal Picott (Seven Lakes High School, TX)
Micah Clarke (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Elena Nutzman (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Vedh Shetty (Jordan High School, TX)
Venkata Menta (Jordan High School, TX)
Davis Veith (Seven Lakes High School, TX)
Sharmada Palakurthi (W B Ray High School, TX)
Aashi Kasotia (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Constanza Jongkind (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Evan Danek (Westchester Academy For International Studies, TX)
Liam Ianiro (Dripping Springs High School, TX)
Irath Habani (Westchester Academy For International Studies, TX)
Alanna Powell (McKinney High School, TX)
Hayden Brillhart (Amarillo High School, TX)
Oscar Henson, III (Centerville High School, TX)
Shreyas Reddy (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Debora Ponce (Oak Ridge High School, TX)
Jubaida Iftexhar (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Risha Patel (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Sahil Alam (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Moksh Shah (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Haylee Maya (Antonian College Preparatory, TX)
Shubham Agarwal (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Aarnav Gopinath (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Lucas Wat (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Meghana Mattegunta (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Krish Shah (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Maristella Longoria (James Madison High School, TX)
Jessi Bullard (Amarillo High School, TX)
Samar Parasmal (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Dhruti Nukala (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Jacinto Cortina (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Pavit Thakur (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Lisa Mathew (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Ashna Maknojia (Clear Falls High School, TX)

Suhani Bhattad (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Monish Reddy Madhu (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Muhammad Haris (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Arick Meng (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Jacob Yan (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Catherine Tra (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Emily Zeng (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Misha Saeed (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Aaron Fox (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Humal Raza (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Brian Nguyen (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Sierra Liendo (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Nathaniel Hernandez (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Maia Pinto (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Shamyuktha Somalinga (Senthilkumar Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Cameron Clifford (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Ava Azua (Dripping Springs High School, TX)
Lauren Pham (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Harshini Ravisankar (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Layla Dudley (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Aarav Shah (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Syeda sameera (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Prathik Bhimisetty (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Natalia Pena (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Arushi Sheth (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Charlie Ng (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Katherine Rouswell (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Sofia Leipnik (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Reagan Gallon (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Lillian Nixon (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
James Gerhard (The Woodlands College Park High School, TX)
Lakshanya Solipuram (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Abigail Dsouza (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Joseph Martinta (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Musa Ashraf (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Ryan Yuan (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Azan Ali (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Catherine Hamisch (Veterans Memorial High School, TX)
Krish Prabhu (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Nidhi Patel (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Aayan Gul (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Farah Chauhan (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Qasim Ghas (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)

sophie joseph (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Maya Phan (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Cyrus Jagtap (Stephen F Austin High School, TX)
Aiden Whitney (Cyprus High School, UT)
Kate Monson (Weber High School, UT)
Elizabeth Poole (Hunter High School, UT)
Ethan Maher (The Potomac School, VA)
Abigail Woldgebriel (The Potomac School, VA)
Kasim Khapra (The Potomac School, VA)
Adrian Atwater (The Potomac School, VA)
Anaahita Kaashyap (The Potomac School, VA)
Sasha Leifer (The Potomac School, VA)
Ronald Hart III (Nysmith School, VA)
Olivia Cassie (University High School, WA)
Annie Lee (Auburn Riverside High School, WA)
Ethan Zhang (Marquette University High School, WI)
Nikhil Quintin (Middleton High School, WI)
Chloe Sieman (Neenah High School, WI)
Isabella Chandik (Neenah High School, WI)
Abbilene Odell (Cheyenne Central High School, WY)
Sophie Kim (BC Academy)
Meredith Gao (BC Academy)
Eileen Eun (BC Academy)

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