

R Schools

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Congratulations to the Class of 2010

On June 11, 207 members of the Rocky River High School Class of 2010 received their diplomas during commencement ceremonies at Lakewood Civic Auditorium. We are proud to share some of the achievements of the Class of 2010 in this issue of the R Schools.

- Hollyn Trudell was named the **Class of 2010 Valedictorian** and Elizabeth Evans earned the honor of **Salutatorian**.
- Meredith Hauck was named a 2010 **National Merit Finalist**
- **High Honors** (GPA of 3.75 or above) on all quarterly report cards during their four years of high school was earned by Alexander Aloï, Kenneth Bazydlo, Hannah Bennett, Kiah Bransch, Bridget Crawford, Kathleen Dickey, Ryan Donnelly, Elizabeth Evans, Jacqueline Gates, Jenna Gentner, Marisa Hanson, Meredith Hauck, Gabriella Jones, Abigail Kraus, Brian Lesiecki, Sophia Liva, Ricardo Locci, Imelda Mahmutaj, Arkida Merizaj, Henry Nisiobincki, Clara Oster, Jessica Petrus, Iva Rreza, Gregory Soltes, Andrew Stanton, Stephanie Thomas, Jake Thorn, Hollyn Trudell, Julianne Verdone and Tyler Weseling.
- **Academic Letters** were earned by twenty-four students in recognition of their scholastic achievement: Natalie Aloï, Kiah Bransch, Thomas Eldridge, Kara Emery, Michael Foley, Jenna Gentner, Timothy Gibbons, Meredith Hauck, Gabriella Jones, Maeve Kessler, Abigail Kraus, Sophia Liva, Evan McGorray, Arkida Merizaj, Thomas Moran, Ashley Pantona-Price, Sarah Pelger, Andrew Peters, Shannon Rantala, Chelsey Salberg, Ian Taylor, Stephanie Thomas, Brittney Towner and Tyler Weseling.
- Members of the **National Honor Society**, Class of 2010 are Alexander Aloï, Erin Amschlinger, Emily Baker, Kenneth Bazydlo, Hannah Bennett, Kiah Bransch, Haley Bremkamp, Natalia Buczkowski, Henry Chaski, Bridget Crawford, Spencer Datko, Lauren Davis, Kathleen Dickey, Ryan Donnelly, Elizabeth Evans, Jacqueline Gates, Jenna Gentner, Kenneth Gerrick, Timothy Gibbons, Erinn Hagan, Brendon Hall, Joseph Hanigosky, Marisa Hanson, Meredith Hauck, Scott Hendricks, Clayton Johanson, Kevin Johnson, Gabriella Jones, Abigail Kraus, Brian Lesiecki, Steven Lesiecki, Sophia Liva, Ricardo Locci, Imelda Mahmutaj, Anthony Manno, Timothy McLaughlin, Arkida Merizaj, Olivia Moran, Henry Nisiobincki, Bruno Nuro, Clara Oster, Ashley Pantona-Price, Kacie Parke, Jessica Petrus, Iva Rreza, Chelsey Salberg, Abigail Schade, Gregory Soltes, Andrew Stanton, Emma Sullivan, Stephanie Thomas, Jake Thorn, Brittney Towner, Hollyn Trudell, Christin Van Atta, Julianne Verdone, Olivia Vitou, Hannah Wade and Tyler Weseling.



Class of 2010
Valedictorian
**Hollyn
Trudell**



Class of 2010
Salutatorian
**Elizabeth
Evans**

Academic Letter Recipients



Seven of this year's 24 students to receive an Academic Letter are **Gabriella Jones, Kiah Bransch, Thomas Eldridge, Tyler Weseling, Chelsey Salberg, Sophia Liva and Abigail Kraus**

— Scholarships —

Over \$6.5 million in scholarships were awarded to the Class of 2010.

Scholarships managed by the **Rocky River Education Foundation** were awarded to Alexander Aloï, Erin Amschlinger, Kenneth Bazydlo, Joseph Blankenship, Sara Cifani, Thomas Eldridge, Paul Elrabadi, Elizabeth Evans, Alison Grossman, Marisa Hanson, Scott Hendricks, Hannah Hildebrandt, Laura Jameson, Clayton Johanson, Ian Kilpatrick, Brian Lesiecki, Ricardo Locci, Anthony Manno, Henry Nisiobincki, Maggie Orris, Kelly Orris, Ashley Pantona-Price, Kacie Parke, Chelsey Salberg, Stephanie Thomas, Jake Thorn, Hollyn Trudell, Tyler Weseling, and Gregory Wolfe.

The **RRHS Alumni Association** scholarships were presented to Haley Bremkamp, Abigail Kraus, Steven Lesiecki, Imelda Mahmutaj, Olivia Moran, Bruno Nuro, Robert Porter, Christin Van Atta and Ian Wilson.

Timothy McLaughlin earned the **Danny Scherry Memorial Scholarship**.

The **Rocky River Middle School September 11th Memorial Fund** presented Henry Chaski with a \$500 scholarship.

National Merit Scholarship Corporation Commended Students:

Alexander Aloï, Hannah Bennett, Elizabeth Evans, Imelda Mahmutaj, Anthony Manno, Conor O'Boyle and Hollyn Trudell.

Class of 2010

— Hall of Fame Inductees —

National Merit Finalist



Meredith Hauck

All-American & All-Ohio Swimming



Melissa Botswick-Belinger, Anne Camerino, Stephanie Thomas and Megan Auzenbergs

Awards Of Distinction



Ricardo Locci, All-Ohio Academic Team Recognition; **Timothy Gibbons**, Best It Can Be Award; **Stephanie Thomas**, Principal's Leadership Award; **Jake Thorn**, Best It Can Be Award; **Stephen Drebo**, Distinguished Service Award.

Athletic Recognition



Clayton Johanson, US Army Reserve Scholar Athlete Award; **Molly McNally**, USMC Distinguished Athlete Award; **Brittney Towner**, "Goody" Marcks Sportsmanship Award; **Olivia Vitou**, Wendy's High School Heisman Award; **Ricardo Locci**, OHSAA State Farm Insurance Scholar/Athlete Award

Conor Francis Adams, Quinn Michael Adlard, Alexander Dav Brogan, Andrew Michael Brown, Cory A. Buckholz, Natalia M Bridget MacKenzie Crawford, Jessica Culver, Sarah Elizabeth C Fox, Martin Edward Gallagher, Mariano James Gannon, René Brendon Arthur Hall, Taylor Rose Hall, Joseph Thomas Hanig Clayton Michael Johanson, Kevin Christopher Johnson, Gabri Kathleen Marie Lambert, Matthew Robert Laskowski, Jane Ma Timothy James McLaughlin, Brian Raymond McNally, Molly A Nuro, Conor Francis O'Boyle, Crystal Michelle Olesen, Mark J Chase Romer, Iva Reza, Martin Carlin Russ, Emily Anne Rut Andrew Paul Stanton, Michael Kristofer Stevens, Kayla Jean S Christopher Triplett, Hollyn Spencer Trudell, Alex Dong Trudell

National Merit Scholarship Commended Students



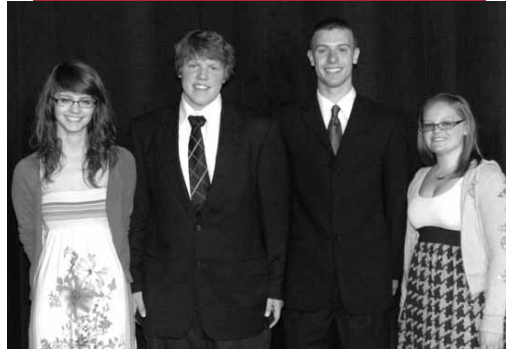
Hannah Bennett, Alexander Aloï, Elizabeth Evans and Meredith Hauck

National Merit Scholarship Commended Students



Anthony Manno, Imelda Mahmutaj, Iva Rreza and Conor O'Boyle

Meta Kramer Scholarship Awards



Melissa Kullman, Kevin Johnson, Timothy Gibbons and Kascha Flynn

Athletic Recognition



Gregory Soltes, Outstanding Senior Athlete Award; Jenna Gentner, OHSAA State Award for Sportsmanship, Ethics and Integrity; Hollyn Trudell, OHSAA State Farm Insurance Scholar/Athlete Award; Patrick Milkovich, Archie Griffin Sportsmanship Award

Local Scholarships



Ryan Donnelly, Rocky River High School PTA; Morgan Timko, H. Robert Bueck Memorial; Robert Porter, Rocky River High School Alumni Association; Kathleen Dickey, League of Women Voters; Timothy McLaughlin, Danny Scherry Memorial; Olivia Moran, Rocky River High School Alumni Association; Scott Shaughnessy, Friends of Jim Kanner

Medical Mutual of Ohio Scholarship



*Presented to **Emily Baker** by associate principal **Alan Wilhelms**.*

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Anne McNally, Arkida Merizaj, Andi K. Meta, Andrew Dalton Michael , Patrick Nicholas Milkovich, Courtney Marie Milla, Whitney Lauren Mills, Kayla Marie Mooney, Olivia
Joseph Olszewski, Sean William O'Neil, Kelly Marie Orris, Maggie Elizabeth Orris, Clara Anne Oster, Ashley Joyce Pantona Price, Kacie Caroline Parke, Griffin Nicholas Pereksta
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ong, Christin Elizabeth Van Atta, Joana Veizaj, Julianne Marie Verdone, Olivia Nicole Vitou, Ashley Anne Vogel, Hannah Ashleigh Wade, Cara Rose Walsh, Andrew Richard W

— Senior Projects —

Over 50 students participated in this year's Senior Project program. These students spent the final three weeks of their senior year working in the areas of community service, career exploration or independent research. Each student accumulated at least 75 hours of experience. Projects this year included education, medicine, fire and safety forces, fashion design, computer programming, physical therapy, food services, nonprofit organizations, and businesses. All projects were presented at the symposium held at the high school in June. Advisors Candace Hecker and Joanne Ritschel were impressed with the wide range of projects this year and felt that the program provided the students with valuable experiences



The Rocky River Fire Department hosted Patrick Kilbane for his Senior Project.



Ken Bazydlo and Steven Lesiecki volunteered at Habitat for Humanity's ReStore.



Kacie Parke found her time at the Cleveland Clinic's Mellen Center to be very interesting and informative.



Hannah Bennet shared her experiences teaching music at Rocky River Middle School with Board of Education president Jean A. Rounds.

annett, Joseph Kane Blankenship, Kiah Sarah Bransch, Nicholas Donald Breidigam, Haley Elise Bremkamp, Storm William Brest, Christopher Brizzolara, Katherine Mary Sara Cecilia Cifani, Michael Thomas Cline, Jr., Michael Joseph Coletta, Daniel Joseph Combes, Danielle Kathleen Connors, Cory Scott Cooke, Claire Elizabeth Copa, Ethan Eldridge, Paul Wardshah Elrabadi, Amber Rose Estergall, Elizabeth Mary Evans, Christian Joseph Falk, Kascha Danee Flynn, Samantha Marie Forlini, Alyssa Rae Gabrielle Marie Gold, Rachel Ellen Golz, Shirley Annet Gomes, Emily Rosemary Greene, Alison Sloan Grossman, Erinn Elizabeth Hagan, Danielle Monique Hahn, Erin Marie Higham, Hannah Elizabeth Hildebrandt, Mary Elizabeth Hooper, Mary McGinnis Hoyt, Nikka Quinn Hronis, Caitlyn Mae Isaacs, Laura Margaret Jameson, ig King, Nathan Anthony Kopechek, Kory Michael Koran, Abigail Anne Kraus, Andrew Krause, Anabela Krizanovic, Jason Thomas Kronen, Melissa Suzanne Kullman, ie Christina Machinena, Imelda Mahmutaj, Anthony Joseph Manno, Jared Matthew Markus, John Butler McDermott, John Francis McIntyre, Kyle Richard McKenna, a Kate Moran, Zachary Harrison Morrow, Klajd Moshko, Ardit Mucaj, Kyle Andrew Newman, Steven Lee Nichols, Henry Randall Nisiobincki, Leah Marie Nolan, Bruno ta, Alissa Marie Perk, Travis Daniel Pescatrice, April Sarah Peterson, Jessica Joy Petrus, Robert John Porter, Aaron Joseph Reinhard, Arianna Alexandra Romano, Keller Samantha Lynn Shepherd, Austin Louis Simeone, Cody Logan Singler, Thomas Cody Smilanich, Ashley Lauren Smith, Allyssa Katlin Snyder, Gregory Michael Soltes, Jake Alexander Thorn, Christian Matthew Thorp, Morgan Ashley Timko, Jake Robert Titmas, Haley Alexa Topp, Benedek Tibor Toth, Brittney Lynn Towner, Andrew Wenner, Tyler Brown Weseling, Trevor Stephen White, Ian Kimbel Wilson, Gregory B. Wolfe, Charles Orvis Yingling

River Students Earn Honors at West Shore Career-Technical District Assembly

Rocky River High School senior Robert Anderton was recognized as the Lakewood/Rocky River Rotary Club's Outstanding Career-Technical Student of the Year at the West Shore Career-Technical District Student Recognition and Career Passport Assembly on May 25. The West Shore Career-Technical District provides vocational training to students from Bay Village, Lakewood, Rocky River and Westlake.



Robert Anderton (Auto Technology) and Rachel Golz (Health Careers Technology) earned the Career-Technical Award of Merit Leadership and were inducted into the National Technical Honors Society. Anderton and Golz both graduate with a Career-Technical Honors Diploma.

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Rocky River High School senior Robert Anderton is pictured with Assistant Superintendent Elizabeth Anderson, Board of Education President Jean A. Rounds, Superintendent Michael Shoaf and Rocky River High School Principal Debra Bernard.

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Keeping parents informed is a top priority at the Rocky River City School District. That is why we have adopted the AlertNow Notification Service that will allow us to send a telephone or email message to parents providing important information about emergencies or school events. In the event of an emergency at school, parents will be informed immediately by phone. The email notification service will allow us to reduce paper and mailing costs and ensure that necessary information reaches parents. AlertNow has an online parent portal, AlertNow Access, which allows parents to choose which contact numbers and email addresses for the system to use. Questions about the new system may be sent to info@rrcs.org.

- **Telephone messages will be used for school cancellations or for emergencies.**
- **Email messages will be used to notify parents about events such as report card distribution, open house, conferences, and to distribute items such as school newsletters.**

Thank You River Voters!

Thanks to the support of the citizens of Rocky River, Bond Issue 11 passed on May 4. This enables the Board of Education to move forward with the important work of making our schools warm, safe and dry. The Board of Education and district administration are committed to keeping the community informed and seeking input as plans are being formalized. Opportunities for community involvement and updates on the progress of the facilities plans will be available on the district website.

District administrators and staff are working with the architectural firm of Burt, Hill and construction management firm PCS to develop detailed plans for the work to be accomplished. It is anticipated that the planning stage will take about a year.

Additionally, the District applied to participate in the State of Ohio Qualified School Construction Bond (QSCB) program and the federal Build America Bonds (BAB) initiative, which are part of the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA). The QSCB program provides school districts with a method of funding construction, repairs or renovations of public school facilities with low or no interest. The Build America Bonds program offers a direct federal payment subsidy on bond interest. "The QSCB and BAB programs come at a perfect time for us," said Superintendent Dr. Michael Shoaf. "Thanks to the support of the voters passing Issue 11 on May 4, we are in the position to take advantage of these beneficial State and Federal programs."



Rocky River Middle School Principal's Award Reception

The following students were recognized in June for having earned straight As on their report cards for seven or more quarters during their three years in middle school: *Chloe Alibeckoff, John Anderton, Shannon Barrett, Grace Bennett, Teodora Bodea, Heather Bonsky, Adrienne Therese Copa, Elisabeth Cahill, Sara Connelly, Ellen Corcoran, Juord Duraj, Greg Ginley, Natalie El Dabh, Liesi Fahrenkoph, Josh Ginley, Melis Gjergo, Effie Henry, Megan Killeen, Alex Manoloff, Emma Laurel McGorray, Tuyaa Montgomery, Robby Olander, Isabel Quinones, William Spallino, Anna Stanton, Victoria Sullo, Gordon Taylor, Sara Vacha, Joseph Weger.*

Rocky River Board Of Education



*1st row: Jean A. Rounds and Scott Swartz
2nd row, Jay Milano, Jon Fancher and Kathleen Goepfert*

Search for Children with Disabilities

The Rocky River School District, along with districts across the state, is participating in an effort to identify, locate and evaluate all children from birth to age 21 who may have a disability. A disability is a condition such as speech or language impairments, hearing impairments, visual impairments, learning disabilities, behavioral, multiple or severe handicaps, mental retardation, or other health impairments. If you have a concern about a child, please contact the Division of Learning Resources (LRS) at 356-6006.

Grants

Each year the school district receives federal and state money through several grants. The yearly focus of the district's grant projects is developed with input from parents, staff and community members. If you would like to provide input for Title VI-B, Pre-school Children with Disability, Safe & Drug Free Schools, and/or Title III, Limited English Proficient, please contact the Division of Learning Resource Services at 356-6006. If you would like to provide input for Title I, Title II-A, Professional Development Program or eTech/Ohio, please contact the Assistant Superintendent at 356-6001.

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