

**COLONIE
CENTRAL
HIGH SCHOOL**

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**COLONIE
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Scholarships and Awards

Above the Rim Scholarship

Awarded to a senior boy who participated in the basketball program and is based on an essay outlining how basketball helped shape them as an individual. This award is sponsored by Colonie Boys Basketball. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Nicholas Bearup

Chrissy Aidala Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who is a former Veeder Elementary School student in memory of Chrissy Aidala. The recipient exhibits the characteristics most associated with Chrissy – she demonstrates compassion, values education, and gives back to the community and/or participates in service learning. (\$500)

Rachel Aidala

The Greg Aidala Knock-Knock Who's There Scholarship

Awarded to a senior planning on attending college for a degree in the Arts. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250)

Gianina Padula

Albany City Lodge #540 Knights of Pythias Achievement Award

Recognition to a senior based on citizenship, extra-curricular activities and community endeavors. (Medal)

Gianna Mirabile

Paul C. Aldi Music Scholarships

Scholarships given in memory of former Band Director and Music Department Chairman, Paul Aldi. Awarded to students who have demonstrated a sincere appreciation and respect for the study of music. They have shown the self-discipline and character traits necessary to achieve a high degree of musicianship. (\$100 each)

Heather Dilcher
Band

Lianna Taffe
Chorus

Janine Hvizdos
Orchestra

Risa and Jason Alfred Memorial Scholarship

In honor of Risa K. Alfred, former reading teacher at Sand Creek Middle School and her son Jason, a Colonie Central High School alumnus. Based on an essay and letter of recommendation. (\$1,000 each)

Maya Horton

Ryan Coons

Alfred University Inamori School of Engineering and the Ceramic Association of New York Scholastic Recognition Award

Awarded to a junior who demonstrates a solid mathematical and scientific background while also excelling in English. This award is sponsored by the Kazuo Inamore School of Engineering at Alfred University.

Vincent Ieraci

Patrick Angerame Scholarship

This award is given by the Shaker Road Elementary School PTA to a former Shaker Road student planning to further his education, who participated in extracurricular activities in school and volunteered in his community. (\$500)

Marissa Emery

Lawrence A. Bach Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who is currently enrolled in music and has participated in a Colonie Central High School performing group for all four years. Based on an essay describing musical activities, how they have used music to serve the community, and how these experiences will be applied to future plans. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Lianna Taffe

Backyard Fence Future Leader Scholarship

Awarded to a senior with a strong background in community service and volunteerism, an average of 85 or better, and who will attend either a two or four year college. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250)

Lianna Taffe

Bausch and Lomb Honorary Science Award

Awarded to a junior who has attained high achievement and rigor in science classes and high PSAT and/or SAT Math scores. This science

award recipient is eligible to compete for a \$40,000 scholarship over four years at the University of Rochester.

Katherine Scott

Berkshire Bank Foundation Scholarship

Awarded to graduating seniors residing in communities served by the Berkshire Bank. Selections are based on a student's record of community service through volunteerism, involvement in extracurricular school activities, financial need and academic achievement. (\$1,500)

Rachel Aidala

BFF Getting Started Scholarship

This award is given to a graduating senior from Colonie Central High School who will be attending a community college in the fall. Criteria included a minimum GPA of 2.5 or above. Applicants had to provide a short essay in response to application question. (\$5,000)

Brian Doran

BFF Hands On Scholarship

This award is given to a graduating senior from Colonie Central High School who will be pursuing a traditionally "blue collar" field at a community college or trade/vocational program in the fall. Criteria included a minimum GPA of 2.5 or above. Applicants had to provide a short essay in response to application question. (\$5,000)

Serena Unser

BlueShield Scholars Program

Awarded to a graduating senior who will be pursuing higher education in the health or life sciences field – one who represents BlueShield's core values: respect, personal responsibility, excellence, teamwork, passion, and integrity. (\$250)

Lianna Taffe

Brandeis Book Award

Awarded by Brandeis University to recognize outstanding juniors committed to social action or civic engagement. Candidates must be in the top 10% of their class and demonstrate a commitment to civic engagement, community service, political activism, social justice or volunteer work.

Samantha Pellegrini

Shawn Bredice Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to two students in the Life Skills Class and/or a student earning a CDOS CREDENTIAL who excels in the following areas: Attendance, Peer Support, Positive Job Reports, and Demonstrates Positive Growth throughout his/her High School career. Shawn Bredice was a 2010 graduate of Colonie High School who died in 2015. Shawn was a special education student his entire life but his limitations never stopped him! It was his strengths that brought him success! This award is sponsored by the Bredice Family Charitable Fund and Northeast Associates in Rehabilitation, LLC. (\$500 each)

William Brewster

Mark Manonguiring

Gerald Brenhiser Scholarship

Awarded to a senior at Colonie Central High School who will be attending a four year college to study Education with preference given to Social Studies Education. Given in memory of Jerry Brenhiser, a Social Studies teacher and football and track coach at Colonie Central High School. (\$400)

Megan Moore

Dr. Thomas A. Brown / Cecile B. David Scholarships

Awarded to three seniors who will be attending a community college or pursuing a degree in social work. Dr. Thomas A. Brown was Superintendent of Schools in South Colonie from 1989 to 2005. Cecile B. David was a long time South Colonie resident and former faculty member and Associate Dean of the School of Social Work at the University at Albany. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$600 each)

Colin Bauer

Matthew Davis

Terina Rafferty

Ross Buddenhagen / Midway Fire Department Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior from Lisha Kill Middle School, who is continuing his education at a two or four year institution. The student is recognized for having consistent community involvement or volunteerism. (\$1,500)

Rachel Aidala

CAP COM Federal Credit Union
“Making a Difference” Scholarship

Awarded to a student who has truly “Made a Difference” in his community. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$1,000)

Adam Tenney

The Michael & Patricia Carey Appreciation Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who has experienced severe medical hardship or had a family member who experienced a medical hardship, making it hard for the family to pay college costs. This award is based on an essay explaining the medical or financial situation, the reason for attending college and what the student hopes to accomplish in the future. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Rachel Aidala

Thomas Casey Memorial Scholarship

Award given to a senior athlete planning on entering college in honor of Tom Casey, an outstanding supporter of athletics, by his family. (\$250)

Joshua Paszkowski

Chatham University’s Rachel Carson Book Award

Awarded to a junior who has shown passion for the environment and interest in writing or the sciences. The program currently offers a renewable \$1000 scholarship to full-time undergraduate students at Chatham.

Madison Clarke

Clarkson Leadership and Achievement Awards

Awards to juniors who are in the top 15% of their class. They have demonstrated outstanding leadership qualities and have an academic interest in Engineering, Business, Science or Liberal Arts. These students are recognized as positive contributors to their school and community. The Leadership Award includes a \$60,000 scholarship over four years and the Achievement Award includes a \$48,000 scholarship over four years.

Leadership Award
Achievement Award

Parker Fields
Thomas Rennells

The Class of '66 Scholarship

This one-time award is given by the Colonie Central High School Class of 1966 to a senior who will be attending a four-year college or university and has shown a commitment to work hard academically. (\$500)

Xin Wang

Cleary Awards

These awards are given to the most dedicated players on each team as voted by players and coaches. Spring awards were not determined at the time of printing for this booklet.

Fall

Cheerleading	<i>Kayli Farrell</i>
Boys Cross Country	<i>Nathan Green</i>
Girls Cross Country	<i>Amanda Chambers</i>
Football	<i>Nicholas Bearup</i>
Golf	<i>Christian Ristau</i>
Boys Soccer	<i>Jarrold Coletta</i>
Girls Soccer	<i>Ashley Abel</i>
Girls Tennis	<i>Rachel Kim</i>
Girls Volleyball	<i>Nicole Mann</i>

Winter

Boys Basketball	<i>Joshua Paszkowski</i>
Girls Basketball	<i>Ellie Yarter</i>
Boys Bowling	<i>Kenneth Livengood</i>
Girls Bowling	<i>Amanda Chrzanowski</i>
Cheerleading	<i>Franasia Douglas</i>
Ice Hockey	<i>Nicholas Serfino</i>
Boys Indoor Track	<i>Kyle Garnsey</i>
Girls Indoor Track	<i>Heather Dilcher</i>
Wrestling	<i>Marcus Baker</i>

Colonie Art League Scholarship

Awarded to a student with exceptional achievement who plans to continue art study in college. (Paid junior membership in the Colonie Art League for one year and \$500.)

Gianina Padula

CCHS Art Student Awards

Award given to seniors who demonstrate excellence in art. Students receive art supplies and books.

Kiara Johnson

Jasmine To

Colonie Boys Basketball Booster Club Senior Scholarships

Awarded to graduating members of the Boys Varsity Basketball team who have demonstrated the highest achievements in academics relative to ability, sportsmanship, citizenship and leadership. (\$250 each)

Nicholas Bearup

Brendan Mulson

Colonie Chamber of Commerce Women 4 Women

Awarded to a deserving female senior who has made a difference in the South Colonie community. This award comes under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Meixin Liang

Colonie Football Booster Club Scholarships

Awarded to senior football players or cheerleaders with one year of experience at the Varsity level. Based on leadership, sportsmanship, school and community activities and academic achievement. (\$300)

Kyle Garnsey

1999 Colonie Girl's XC State Championship Team Scholarship

Awarded to a graduating senior who is a member of the varsity cross country, indoor and/or outdoor track and field teams who is attending an accredited institute of higher learning in the fall. The recipient must have a minimum 85% grade point average, be of good character and exhibit a positive role on their athletic team. (\$250)

Amanda Chambers

Colonie Lodge of Elks #2192 "Teenager of the Year"

Awarded to a graduating senior who demonstrates outstanding leadership ability and scholastic achievement. (\$50 gift card)

Querra Colling

Colonie Police Benevolent Association Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who has applied and been accepted into a Criminal Justice program at an accredited college. (\$500)

Emily Nugent

Colonie Soccer Booster Club Senior Awards

Awarded to a senior female Varsity Soccer player who has demonstrated outstanding leadership, dedication and commitment to the sport of soccer. (\$250)

Ashley Abel

Colonie Youth Court Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who has participated in youth court for at least two years, must include senior year. The recipient will major in education, criminal justice, law or legal studies, political science or advocacy-related programs serving children, adults or persons with disabilities. Also based on an essay on the importance of the Youth Court Judicial System to society, particularly the South Colonie community. This award comes under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Peter MacAloney

Colonie Central High School Citizenship Award

Awarded to the student who has demonstrated continued growth in citizenship, leadership and/or scholarship during her high school career. (\$100)

Quinn Hodson

Colonie Central High School Award for Leadership

Awarded to the student who has demonstrated exceptional leadership capabilities in senior class activities. (\$100)

Gianina Padula

Colonie Central High School Award for Outstanding Contribution

Recognition to the student who has demonstrated exceptional interest and dedication to the enhancement of a positive climate at Colonie High School. (\$100)

Chloe Mahar

Colonie Central High School PTSA Student Involvement Awards

Awarded to seniors based on school and community involvement and work experience. (\$250 each)

Marissa Emery

Nicole Ermides

Peter MacAloney

James Mead

Gianna Mirabile

Abigail Montuori

Gianina Padula

Victoria Servetas

Katherine Sorros

Jennifer Tedisco

Adam Tenney

Ellie Yarter

Colonie High School Mathematics Award for Achievement

Awarded to the senior with the highest average on the Algebra 1, Geometry, and Algebra 2/Trigonometry Regents exams. A fourth year of mathematics must also have been taken, but this last year is not included in computing the average. (\$75)

Nicholas Andrade

Colonie High School Mathematics Award for Perseverance

Awarded to a senior who has exemplified the greatest degree of effort and perseverance in the study of mathematics. It does not necessarily imply the highest average or grades in the mathematics sequence. A student with three years of mathematics is eligible, as is a student with five years of mathematics. (\$75)

Lenai Gordon

Community Service Award

Awarded by School Systems Federal Credit Union to a junior who stands out from the rest in his commitment to community service. (\$100)

Joseph Vachaparambil

Mark S. Cornell Scholarship

Award to a NYSSMA Level 6 senior who is furthering his/her music study. Based on a positive attitude and willingness to share talents. Given in memory of Mark Cornell, a Music Department Chairman at Colonie Central High School. (\$1,500)

Carolyn Miner

Leslie F. Couch Prize

This prize is given in memory of Leslie F. Couch, a Charter Member and Past President of the Greater Loudonville Association whose spirit of community service and volunteer activism inspired the formation of this prize. It is intended for a Colonie resident and graduating senior who exemplifies volunteerism and whose contributions have benefitted the community. (\$1,000)

Erin O'Keefe

The George Coulter Memorial Prize

Awarded by the Colonie Town Band in memory of George Coulter, a long time band member. This award recognizes participation and excellence in

music to a graduating brass player who is attending college in the fall. (\$150)

Henri Baxhellari

C.T. Male Associates

Awarded to a high school senior who will be attending college in the fall to pursue a career in Engineering, Land Surveying, Architecture, Landscape Architecture, or Automated Drafting. Criteria includes academic achievement of a GPA of 90% or higher and demonstrated service in the community. (\$500)

Meixin Liang

DAR Good Citizen Award

An award to an outstanding student in the top 25% of the senior class who has demonstrated citizenship, service and leadership. (\$200)

Henri Baxhellari

Charles DiPietro Memorial Graphic Arts Award

Awarded to a senior showing promise in any aspect of graphic arts. It is given in memory of Charles DiPietro, who for 43 years was a master and teacher of all aspects of lithography. (\$50)

Lily Champagne

Distinguished Young Women Program Fitness Award

Awarded to a senior girl for outstanding performance and fitness ability by the Distinguished Young Women's Program. (\$250)

Linda Nguyen

Frederick Douglass & Susan B. Anthony Award

Awarded to an outstanding junior who exemplifies the revolutionary spirit of these two individuals and demonstrates a commitment to understanding and addressing difficult social issues. This award recipient is eligible to compete for a \$40,000 scholarship over four years at the University of Rochester.

Skylar Lai

Dove "Right On Girls" Scholarship

Awarded to a senior girl residing in the states of New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Pennsylvania, Delaware or Maryland by DOVE to celebrate

teenage girls giving back to their communities. The scholarship includes a Grand Prize recipient and a First Prize recipient. Gianina received First Prize. (\$1,000)

Gianina Padula

Drama Awards

Line 'n Cue would like to recognize the following seniors that have dedicated time and talent to this year's productions at Colonie Central High School. Congratulations and good luck!

*Rachel Aidala
Trevor Amell
Colin Bauer
Josette Clements
Peyton DeNault
Anika Dey
Brian Doran*

*John Fitzpatrick
Haley Gabriel
MeLoni Griffin
Kyle Kennedy
Evan King
Valerie Marcil
James Mead*

*Megan Moore
Kevin O'Brien
Abigail Pickett
Karl Platt IV
Lucas Richard*

George Eastman Young Leaders Award

Awarded to a junior for outstanding achievement in leadership and academics and involvement in extracurricular activities. This award recipient is eligible to compete for a \$40,000 scholarship over four years at the University of Rochester.

Jessika Kahnle

Elks National Foundation Legacy Award

Awarded to high school seniors sponsored by an Elk parent or grandparent. This scholarship recognizes the core Elk values: knowledge, charity, community and integrity. (\$4,000 over four years)

Maya Horton

Elmira College Key Award

Awarded to an outstanding junior girl and boy in the top 10% of their class who demonstrate outstanding school and community leadership. Recipients receive an \$80,000 scholarship over four years upon enrolling at Elmira College.

Zhen Li

James Masse

English Award

Awarded for excellence in English achievement over a 3½ year period.
(\$250)

Henri Baxhellari

Excellence in the Each One Teach One Course

Awarded to a senior who has excelled teaching foreign languages to elementary children in our district, and who has assisted foreign language and ESL teachers at the high school. (\$100)

Lianna Taffe

Excellence in French Award

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated academic excellence, perseverance, motivation, enthusiasm, and commitment to the study of the French language. (\$100)

Bridget Geraghty

Excellence in Italian Award

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated academic excellence, perseverance, motivation, enthusiasm, and commitment to the study of the Italian language. (\$100)

Tracy Akuoko

Excellence in Spanish Award

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated academic excellence, perseverance, motivation, enthusiasm, and commitment to the study of the Spanish language. (\$100)

Kevin Ritz

First New York Federal Credit Union Scholarship

Awarded to graduating high school seniors who are members in good standing of the credit union and active in their school or community. (\$1,000)

Nicholas Bearup

Sherri Fisher Awards

Awarded to two high school senior who exemplify commitment and dedication to the Colonie Central High School community. This award is provided as part of the recognition awarded to our Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning, Sherri

Fisher upon receiving the George E. Perry Volunteer Service Award from the New York State Association of School Business Officials. (\$400/\$350)

Jennifer Tedesco

Lauren Pfaffenbach

Milton L. Flood Girls Basketball Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who is a Girls' Varsity Basketball player. Based on the student's essay and coach's evaluation. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Ellie Yarter

Foreign Language Award

This award is given to a senior who has demonstrated a love of foreign languages here at the high school and is planning on studying languages at the university level. (\$100)

MeLoni Griffin

Forest Park Elementary School PTA Scholarships

Awards to Colonie Central High School seniors who are planning to further their education after high school. Students must have attended Forest Park Elementary School. (\$250 each)

Ashley Abel

Henri Baxhellari

Chloe Mahar

Gloria J. Francis Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who is a former Saddlewood Elementary School student from the Saddlewood Elementary PTA. Based on academics. (\$500)

Sarah O'Leary

Patricia H. Gordon Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior pursuing higher education in the field of Special Education or Elementary Education and has pursued her love of music as a member of a school-related music group. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Lucas Richard

Grandparents' Heritage Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a student who was involved in Youth Court for two years and based on an essay on how CCHS can help students

improve their college readiness. It is given in memory of Grandma Bea, Nonna Catherine, Vovó Christine and Oma Hilda. (\$2,000)

John Waterman

Robert & Patricia Hagen Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who has achieved academic success while overcoming learning obstacles. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Tyler Lipina

LTC Guy R. Hagen Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who will pursue a military career by enrolling in a college ROTC program. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Victoria Servetas

Harvard Book Prize

The Prize Book of the Harvard Alumni Association shall be awarded to an outstanding junior who displays excellence in scholarship and high character, combined with achievement in other fields by the Harvard Club of Eastern New York.

Francis Cheeran

Hartwell Durance Memorial Scholarship

Sponsored by the Colonie – Guilderland Rotary Club, this award is given to a senior to recognize volunteer work done in the past and encourage continued service to others through college and into adulthood. Based on community service activities and an interview. (\$1,000)

Matina Ziamandanis

Helen Henshaw Memorial Scholarship

The Monday Musical Club of Albany presents one-time scholarships to graduating high school seniors who are going on to study music as their principal subject at colleges, universities, conservatories or schools of music through its Helen Henshaw Memorial Scholarship Fund. (\$400)

Carolyn Miner

**Hudson River Bank and Trust Company Foundation
Citizenship Award**

An award for a senior girl and boy who intends to pursue higher education or military service. Based on good citizenship and community involvement. (\$125 each)

Nancy Hoang

Kevin Ritz

Hudson Valley Community College Book Award

This award is given in recognition of hard work and individuality to a student who will be attending Hudson Valley Community College in the Fall. (\$250 towards books from the Viking's Cove Bookstore on the campus.)

Shaza Khalafalla

Arthur Hutton Memorial Athletic Prize

Special awards in honor of Artie Hutton, a graduate of Colonie Central High School. Presented to two outstanding athletes who have excelled in more than one sport. (\$100 each + plaque)

Nicholas Bearup

Madison Judge

Jamayne Jasewicz Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior technology student who is also an athlete. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250)

Victoria Servetas

Joie DeVivre Award

Awarded to the student who has met high academic standards in the study of French and demonstrates a love for the language, its people and its culture. A French essay was submitted telling how the language has influenced the student's life. (\$750)

Meixin Liang

Key Club Contribution Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors who are members in good standing of Key Club. It is based on the number of years in the club, awards won from the club and also New York State Key Club conferences attended and total number of hours volunteered. Also based on an essay of 200-250 words, "How has Key Club affected you?" This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250 each)

Gianina Padula

Muhammad Usman Azhar

Jonathan D. Kirk Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who will pursue a two or four year degree in Accounting or Finance and who has a proven record of volunteer work. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$1,000)

Henri Baxhellari

Martin Klingbeil Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a student going to a two or four year school and majoring in the Business field. (\$500)

Mengqi Weng

Le Moyne College Heights Award

Awarded to a junior who is “reaching for the heights” in the classroom and in service to school and community. This award includes a \$12,500 annual scholarship to Le Moyne College.

Benjamin Keller

Lisha Kill Middle School PTA

Student Involvement Awards

These awards are given to students who have attended Lisha Kill Middle School and have been active in their school and community while achieving academically. (\$200 each)

Rachel Aidala

Adam Tenney

Excelsior Awards

These awards are given to students who have attended Lisha Kill Middle School and have made the most earnest effort to improve his/her personal and academic achievements. (\$200 each)

Tracy Akuoko

Sarah O’Leary

Dominick Rivera Mathematics Award

This award is given to a former Lisha Kill Middle School student who has demonstrated outstanding work in mathematics and science classes and plans to continue studying a mathematics related field in college. (\$200)

Jamie Lam

Mr. & Mrs. Louis J. Marcelle Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who displays outstanding effort in Social Studies and who is continuing her education at a college or university. This award

falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter.
(\$250)

Gabriella Leto

MetLife Foundation Pathways Award

Award to child of a MetLife employee to recognize academic achievement, school and community participation. (\$4,000)

Kevin Ritz

Metro Ford Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated academic achievement and is enrolling in college to study business or automotive technology. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Karl Platt IV

Marion Miller Scholarship

Award given to a senior who intends to pursue a post-secondary degree in education, concentrating or majoring in early childhood education. “Character and quality of personality” that enhances one’s potential and suitability for teaching and caring for young children are considered criteria for this award. (\$300)

Rachel Aidala

Justin Mirabile Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior continuing her education in the technology industry. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$1,000)

Kaitlyn Tran

The Frank Mooney Memorial Prize

Awarded by the Colonie Town Band in memory of its vocalist and an outstanding Colonie Central High School English teacher. This award recognizes excellence in vocal music as demonstrated in performance and class work, and in English, as demonstrated in creative writing and oral communication. (\$200)

Lianna Taffe

“More Than Enough” Award

The ultimate goal is to provide “more than enough” funding for all graduates to move on to post-secondary education. Tonight’s awards are a start to what will hopefully be an initiative to provide all students with the financial resources to move forward with their education. Awarded to seniors based on their academic record, post-secondary potential, and citizenship at Colonie Central High School. (\$100 each)

Michaela Curcio

Evan King

Noah Pallack

Victoria Ramirez

Mother Rose of Lima Language Award

This award is given to the student with the highest average in the Language Department at Colonie Central High School. It is given by the Schenectady Chapter of the College of Saint Rose Alumni Association in memory of Mother Rose of Lima, C.S.J., founder of the college and the first Language Department Chairperson. (\$100)

Ryan Devanandan

Music Department Merit Awards

Recognition for notable musical achievement and service in the area of band, chorus or orchestra. (\$100 each)

Band

Chorus

Orchestra

Emily Benson

Yeimy Pena Corniel

John McCormick

Musical Advancement Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who will pursue a degree in music and has participated for at least three years in a high school performance group. Also based on a letter of recommendation from a music teacher. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Carolyn Miner

National Merit Scholarship Program – Merit Scholar

The National Merit Scholarship Program is an academic competition for recognition and scholarships that began in 1955. High School students entered by taking the 2015 PSAT/NMSQT and by meeting published program entry/participation requirements. 15,000 Semifinalist were notified in February of 2017 that they had advanced to Finalist standing. 2,500 Merit Scholars are chosen from the Finalist group, based on their

abilities, skills, and accomplishments-without regard to gender, race, ethnic origin, or religious preference. Information for NMSC selectors to evaluate include the Finalist's academic record, test scores, school official's written recommendation, information about the student's activities and leadership, and the Finalist's own essay. The National Merit \$2500 scholarships are single payment scholarships which are awarded on a state representational basis.

Ryan Devanandan

National Merit Scholarship Program-Commended Students

Recognition for outstanding performance in the 2017 National Merit Scholarship Program. Commended Students placed among the top five percent of more than 1.6 million students who entered the 2017 competition by taking the 2015 Preliminary SAT/National Merit Scholarship Qualifying Test.

Brendan Dong
Janine Hvizdos

Evan King
Ian Walter

**Capital Chapter Scholarship - New York State
Association of School Business Officials**

Awarded to a high school senior who intends to pursue a post-secondary course of study in business, finance, and/or education. This scholarship is being given by the organization as part of the recognition awarded to our Assistant Superintendent for Management Services & Strategic Planning, Sherri Fisher. The Capital Chapter School Business Official of the Year recognition is given annually to a chapter member who exemplifies honor, commitment, and dedication to the school business official profession. (\$1,000)

Adam Tenney

New York State Comptroller Achievement Award

Recognition to a student who demonstrates leadership potential and a commitment to public service.

James Mead

New York State Scholarships for Academic Excellence

Awards provided by the State of New York for academic excellence. Scholarships must be used at an approved New York State post-secondary institution.

\$1,500 each year for four years:

Nicholas Andrade

Xin Wang

\$500 each year for four years:

Muhammad Usman Azhar

Janine Hvizdos

Nicholas Sterge

Jarrold Coletta

Gabriella Leto

Lianna Taffe

Ryan Devanandan

Meixin Liang

Leah Tomisman

New York State School Band Directors Association Awards

Recognition for participation in a New York State Band Directors Association Honor Band.

Jessica Shave

New York State School Music Association Awards

Recognition for participation in a NYSSMA Conference All-State Music Ensemble.

Heather Dilcher

Carolyn Miner

Lucas Richard

Order of the Sons of Italy in America Grand Lodge of New York Scholarship

Award to a student of Italian descent and resident of New York State who will begin full-time study in the fall. Based on academic excellence and service. (\$1,200)

Gianina Padula

Outstanding Academic Achievement

Recognition to six distinguished seniors. These students have continually challenged themselves academically above and beyond the standard curriculum. They have achieved a cumulative average above 98% for 3¾ years.

Nicholas Andrade

Janine Hvizdos

Xin Wang

Ryan Devanandan

Lianna Taffe

Recognition to students who have achieved cumulative averages above 95% for 3¾ years.

Tracy Akuoko

Mckenzie Bell

Michaela Curcio

Muhammad Usman Azhar

Lily Champagne

Karissa Deluke

Henri Baxhellari

Jarrold Coletta

Heather Dilcher

Brendan Dong
Marissa Emery
Bridget Geraghty
Nancy Hoang
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Jaeden Lewis

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John McCormick
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Gianna Mirabile
Kevin O'Brien
Gianina Padula
Abigail Pickett
Kevin Ritz
Noelle Saxe

Victoria Servetas
Aysha Sheikh
Nicholas Sterge
Leah Tomisman
Kaitlyn Tran
Danielle Vanalstyne
Christina Vu
John Waterman
Matina Ziamandanis

Kathie Kirk Patrizio Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior with an average of 80 or greater who has devoted time and effort to community service and is pursuing a career in health care or medical research. It is also based on an essay "What or who in your life has influenced you to become part of the healthcare field?" This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Sarah O'Leary

Greater Capital Region Phi Delta Kappa Prospective Educator Scholarships

Awards to two seniors planning to major in Education in college. Application criteria includes academic standing, goals statement and letters of recommendation. (\$1000 each)

Mariam Sadar

Matthew Davis

Physical Education Awards

Awarded to a male and female senior who have demonstrated continued excellence in the area of Physical Education. (\$75 each + plaque)

Rachel Lanpher

David Gray

Pizza Maré Soccer Scholarship

This award was established to honor *Pizza Maré*, a local business that has been generous in providing pizza to student workers at the Fall and Spring Dollars for Scholars Phone-A-Thons and is awarded to a senior who is a varsity soccer player with an average of 80 or greater who has devoted time and effort to community service. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Ashley Abel

President's Award For Outstanding Academic Achievement

Recognition to seniors who show outstanding educational growth, improvement, commitment or intellectual development in their academic subjects. It is meant to encourage and reward students who work hard and give their best effort in school, in many cases in the face of special obstacles to learning.

*Rachel Aidala
Henri Baxhellari
Anika Dey
Brian Doran
Franasia Douglas
John Fitzpatrick
Haley Gabriel
Sierra McGivney
Byadir Habiballa*

*James Hutton
Erin O'Keefe
Kinga Kisiel
Lydia Malkiewicz
Anthony Mazzone
Valerie Millson
Fatjona Mimini
Brendan Mulson
Emily Nugent*

*Sarah O'Leary
Yeimy Pena Corniel
Cesar Ramirez
Ahmad Rana
Rose Reed
Noelle Saxe
Katherine Sorros*

President's Award For Outstanding Academic Excellence

Recognition to seniors who have attained a high level of scholastic achievement. Criteria is also based on activities in which a student demonstrates high motivation, initiative, integrity, intellectual depth, leadership qualities, and/or exceptional judgement.

*Ashely Abel
Tracy Akuoko
Nicholas Andrade
Trevor Amell
Muhammad Usman Azhar
Nicholas Bearup
Mckenzie Bell
Jeffrey Canastra
Lily Champagne
Alayna Colbert
Jarrod Colette
Isaiah Crosbourne
Matthew Davis
Peyton Denault
Ryan Devanandan
Heather Dilcher
Brenden Dong*

*Hailey Egan
Camryn Egan
Marissa Emery
Nicole Ermides
Caitlyn Flood
Nathan Franchi
Mikayla Gabriel
Kyle Garnsey
Bridget Geraghty
David Gray
Tiffany Hernandez
Nancy Hoang
Jordan Hoffay
Maya Horton
Janine Huzidos
Warisa Kareme
Isabella Kieran*

*Evan King
Cameron Koepf
Jamie Lan
Elizabeth Lambert
Ryan Lambert
Gabriella Leto
Jaeden Lewis
Meixin Liang
Tyler Lipina
Chloe Mahar
Valerie Marcil
Dominic Masa
John McCormick
James Mead
Carolyn Miner
Gianna Mirabile
Abigail Montuori*

Megan Moore
Ryan Mullin
Kevin O'Brien
Gianina Padula
Noah Pallock
Kelli Palmer
Abigail Pickett
Natalya Porcello
Victoria Ramirez
Lucas Richard
Kevin Ritz

Jenna Rovelli
Angela Sano
Victoria Servetas
Ahsanullah Sehat
Aysha Sheikh
Nicholas Sterge
Lianna Taffe
Joseph Talbot
Jennifer Tedisco
Adam Tenney
Leah Tomisman

Kaitlyn Tran
Matthew Tran
Andrea Tracy
Christina Vu
Danielle Vanalstyne
Xin Wang
John Waterman
Mengqi Weng
Ellie Yarter
Sally Zhou
Matina Ziamandanis

Principal's Prize

Given each year to the student who demonstrates an enthusiasm for learning. She also has shown a commitment to school activities and displays **Raider Spirit**. (\$100)

Rachel Aidala

Project Lead The Way Certificates

Certificates awarded to students who have successfully completed the pre-engineering Project Lead the Way program. This program consists of required courses which culminate in a final year engineering project.

Ashley Abel
Nicholas Bearup
Jarrold Coletta

Jordan Hoffay
Meixin Liang
Nicole Mann

Philip Santulli
Victoria Servetas

Pure Adapt Web Technologies Scholarship

Pure Adapt, Inc. is locally owned and operated by four Colonie High School graduates from the classes of 1999 and 2000. Pure Adapt designs, develops, markets, and operates e-commerce stores and other websites in an array of industries. Their customer-first focus, web marketing expertise, and efficient business processes have enabled them to become industry leaders in just a few short years. Two Pure Adapt Web Technologies Scholarships are awarded to seniors who have an active interest in any area of web technologies and will attend college in the Capital Region. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250 each)

Erin O'Keefe

Kirstin Wood

Raider Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a graduating senior pursuing a 2 or 4 year degree and has given back to the community with a good heart. This award was created from money raised to create a memorial garden for Corey Womack and Justin Mirabile who both died during their senior year at CCHS and to now honor all our alumni and staff who have gone before us to know they will always have a place in our hearts. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Gabriella Leto

The Rensselaer Medal Scholarship

Awarded to a junior for outstanding achievement in mathematics and science. This \$25,000 per year merit scholarship is guaranteed for four years for each medalist who is accepted and enrolls at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute.

Destin Yee

R·I·T Computing Medal and Scholarship Program

Awarded to a junior girl and boy who represent the ideals of total quality in both scholastic achievement and school and community activities. The Computing Medal includes a \$28,000 scholarship over four years.

Allison Brunner

Gautham Salgam

R·I·T Innovation & Creativity Scholarship Program

Awarded to a junior girl and boy who demonstrate outstanding achievement in innovation, creativity, or entrepreneurship in both scholastic achievements and school and community activities. The Innovation and Creativity Medal includes a \$28,000 scholarship over four years.

Theresa Fitz Gibbon

Devin Lanoue

Theophilus Roessle Music Award

Awarded to the student who has contributed most to the Colonie Central High School Music Program. (\$200)

Lucas Richard

Roessleville Elementary School PTA Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who was a former Roessleville Elementary School student who has achieved academically and is planning to further her education. (\$500)

Jenna Rovelli

Saint Michael's College Book Award for Academic Achievement with a Social Conscience

Awarded to a junior girl and boy who have demonstrated a sustained and sincere commitment to community service activities through their high school or organizations within the local community.

Sarah Novak

Eli Dreilinger

Sand Creek Middle School PTA

Academic Scholarships

Awarded to two CCHS graduates who attended Sand Creek Middle School and are planning on furthering their education. (\$600/\$350)

Gabriella Leto

Henri Baxhellari

Achievement Scholarships

Awarded to two CCHS graduates who attended Sand Creek Middle School and are planning on furthering their education. (\$600/\$350)

Ashley Abel

Jenna Rovelli

David Scaringe Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who is pursuing a career in engineering with a secondary interest in music. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$1,000)

Jamie Lam

2016 Scholars' Recognition Program

Recognition of outstanding students based on scholastic achievement and recognition of the educators they most admire. The Capital Region Business and Education Partnership Scholars' Recognition Program is part of the innovative business-education partnership formed by the School of Education at the University at Albany to honor Excellence in Education by the Capital Region's outstanding students and educators.

Ryan Devanandan

Janine Hvizdos

Julie Hecht

Jason Goldberg

Scholarship Application Program Scholarship

Seniors who attended the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars' Scholarship Program in February 2017 were eligible for this scholarship. Additional criteria for selection included community service and volunteer activities. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250)

Gianina Padula

School Administrators Association of New York State Region 6 Scholarship

Award to a graduating senior who is furthering his education at an accredited college in the fall. Based academics and extracurricular activities. (\$500)

Nicholas Bearup

SEFCU Jean Myers Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a graduating senior with a strong academic record who has demonstrated a commitment to her community through volunteerism. (\$2,500)

Victoria Ramirez

Senior Science Prize

Awarded to the senior who has attained the highest standing in Regents science exams for Living Environment, Chemistry and Physics. (\$100)

Xin Wang

Amy Seyboth Tirador Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors currently enrolled in the high school music program who have participated in a musical performing group for all four years in high school and is based on a letter of recommendation from a high school music teacher. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500 each)

Abigail Pickett

Lucas Richard

J. Edward Sewell Scholarship

Awarded to a senior planning a career in music. Selected by the music staff of Colonie Central high School. (\$750)

Carolyn Miner

Shaker Road PTA Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who attended Shaker Road Elementary School and demonstrates leadership and academic achievement and plans to further her education. (\$500)

Nicholas Bearup

Shaker Road PTA Spirit Award

Awarded to a former Shaker Road senior who has given her personal best throughout high school and is pursuing a career or vocational education. (\$300)

Kirstin Wood

Smith College Club of Albany Book Award

Awarded to an outstanding junior who exemplifies the academic achievement, leadership qualities, and concern for others that characterizes the graduates from Smith College.

Megan Hunt

Social Studies Award

Awarded to a Social Studies student with outstanding overall academic achievement, social studies grades, leadership, and community and volunteer service. (\$100)

Henri Baxhellari

Society of Mayflower Descendants Education Awards

Compacts awarded to two students for proficiency in the study of the history of the United States and understanding of the Constitution. (\$100 each)

Isaiah Crosbourn

Jack Robilotto

South Colonie Administrators' Award for Leadership

Awarded to the student who has demonstrated outstanding leadership during her student career. (\$500)

Abigail Pickett

South Colonie Alumni Scholarship

Awarded to a senior for exceptional time and effort devoted to community service. It was established in 1998 through a grass-roots effort of individual alumni. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Abigail Montuori

South Colonie Cheerleading Booster Club Basketball Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors intending to pursue a two or four education. Scholarships are based on community service and an essay, "How has cheerleading affected your life and how will it affect your future plans?" as well as on community service. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250 each)

Annaliese Hellkamp

Elizabeth Lambert

South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Board of Directors Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors for exceptional time and effort devoted to community involvement and volunteerism. Funding for this scholarship comes from individual DFS officers and directors. (\$500 each)

Josette Clements

Peter MacAloney

South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors for exceptional time and effort devoted to community service and volunteerism. (\$500 each)

Erin O'Keefe

Ellie Yarter

South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Nick Audi Scholarship

Awarded to a student for exceptional time and effort devoted to community service and volunteerism. This award is in memory of Nick Audi, beloved member of the Colonie community who recently passed away. Nick valued education and was a great supporter of South Colonie Dollars for Scholars. (\$500)

Jarrood Coletta

**South Colonie Dollars for Scholars
Albany Legislature Grant Scholarship**

Awarded to two seniors for outstanding commitment to their community through volunteer work, who have grades above 85 and who are planning to further their education. (\$500 each)

Matthew Davis

Karl Platt IV

**South Colonie Dollars for Scholars
Bonnie Bucci Memorial Scholarship**

Awarded to a senior for planning to become an educator and is in honor of "Bonnie" Bucci, former South Colonie teacher. (\$500)

Anika Dey

South Colonie Dollars for Scholars
Dr. Irving Fradkin Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a student for exceptional time and effort devoted to community service and volunteerism. This award is in memory of Dr. Irving Fradkin, the founder of Scholarship America, national parent organization of South Colonie Dollars for Scholars. Dr. Fradkin recently passed away, and with this award we honor his commitment to higher education affordability. (\$500)

Tracy Akuoko

South Colonie Dollars for Scholars
Morelli Family Foundation Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who will be entering the education profession and who has shown commitment to community service and volunteerism. (\$500)

Lucas Richard

South Colonie Dollars for Scholars
Donna Christmas Education Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who will be entering the education profession and who has shown devotion to community service and volunteerism. This scholarship is given in memory of Donna Christmas, a former South Colonie teacher. (\$750)

Marisa Bulgaro

South Colonie Friends of Music Award

Award given to students who have been accepted, by audition, to a 4-year music program in college. (*metronome*)

Carolyn Miner

South Colonie Friends of Music Certificates of Merit

For outstanding contributions to the music program at Colonie Central High School.

Band

Ashley Abel
Henri Baxhellari
Emily Benson
Matthew Davis
Heather Dilcher
Michael Dilcher
Nicole Ermides

Jordan Freeman
Kyle Garnsey
Reece Klein
Rachel Lanpher
Peter MacAloney
Megan Moore
Ryan Mullin

Emily Nugent
Sarah O'Learey
Karl Platt
Kevin Ritz
Dominick SantaMaria
Jessica Shave
Nick Stamas

*Suki Tan
Paul Tonic*

*Danielle Vanalstyne
Xin Wang*

Chorus

*Rachel Aidala
Colin Bauer*

*Haley Gabriel
Gabriella Leto*

*Lianna Taffe
Madison VanCott*

Orchestra

*Lily Champagne
Alayna Colbert
Michelle Dang
Shelby Decker
Ryan Devanandan
Edan Fields
Caitlyn Flood
Peyton Heffernan
Tiffany Hernandez
Nancy Hoang
Maya Horton
James Hutton
Janine Hvizdos*

*Jamie Lam
Alexandra Leisenfelder
Jaeden Lewis
Meixin Liang
Valerie Marcil
John McCormick
James Mead
Carolyn Miner
Abigail Montuori
Bryanna Nichols
Loren Norfleet
Kevin O'Brien
Abigail Pickett*

*Mary Delores Prezio
Hannah Raciborski
Victoria Ramirez
Lucas Richard
Jenna Rovelli
Angela Sano
Katherine Sorros
Nicholas Sterge
Nicholas Sukhu
Leah Tomisman
Katlyn Tran
Serena Unser
Ellie Yarter*

South Colonie Friends of Music Dance Band Scholarship

This award is given in memory of Frank Mooney to a student who has participated in the music program for four years at Colonie Central High School. (\$500)

Emily Benson

South Colonie Friends of Music Scholarships

In memory of music teachers, Mr. J. Edward Sewell and Mr. Al Mastren and former student David Scaringe. Scholarships to students who have participated in the music program for four years at Colonie Central High School. (\$500 each)

Carolyn Miner

Lucas Richard

Nicholas Sterge

**South Colonie Friends of Theatre Arts –
Actor and Backstage Crew Theatre Scholarship**

Awarded to two seniors who are members of South Colonie Friends of Theatre Arts and have worked in the Theatre program for three years. One scholarship will be awarded to an actor and one to a member of the

Tech Crew. These students plans to pursue acting or backstage work as a career or hobby. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$300 each)

Kevin O'Brien

Lucas Richard

South Colonie PTA Council Scholarships

Awarded to seniors who have attended CCHS all four years and are residents of the South Colonie School District. (\$250 each)

Rachel Aidala

Matthew Davis

Gianina Padula

Henri Baxhellari

Nicole Ermides

Ellie Yarter

South Colonie Special Education PTA Award

Awarded to a graduating senior who has received special education services for a minimum of 2 years while attending South Colonie schools and is continuing on to a 2 year or 4 year college or vocational school. (\$500)

Ryan Coons

South Colonie Teachers' Association Scholarships

Awards given by the South Colonie Teachers' Association to seniors based on evaluation of each student's entire high school experience and an essay. (\$500 each)

Meixin Liang

Adam Tenney

South Colonie Youth Baseball/Softball Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors who played baseball or softball with the South Colonie Softball League. Scholarships are based on the question, "Please describe what playing baseball or softball has taught you?" This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$250 each)

Maya Horton

Jordan Hoffay

Softball

Baseball

The Sports Foundation Scholar Athlete Awards

Recipients are nominated by their school principal and athletic director. They exemplify the highest achievement in both scholastic and athletic ability.

Lainna Taffe

Jaeden Lewis

Stewart's Shops Holiday Match Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who has made a difference in his community. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Peter MacAloney

Linda Stuart Memorial Scholarship

This scholarship is awarded to a senior who has wrestled for four years and plans on furthering his education. (\$500)

Terrance Bond

Student Sage Recognition Award

Russell Sage College presents this award to two juniors who possess the attributes which define tomorrow's leaders. Based on academic success, leadership skills and involvement in the community. The award includes a \$40,000 scholarship over four years.

Hailey Mattice

Zhongting Erin Wang

Suburban Scholastic Council

Excellence in Leadership & Sportsmanship Award

Awarded to a senior girl and boy who demonstrate the 4C's of the New York State Education Department's framework for Interscholastic Athletics – Competence, Character, Civility and Citizenship. (Plaque)

Heather Dilcher

Ryan Lambert

Superintendent's Citizenship Award

Awarded to a senior who has made outstanding contributions to school, community, and people, and has demonstrated the promotion of good citizenship. (\$100)

Querra Colling

Superintendent's Award for Courage

Awarded to a senior who has exhibited exceptional courage and inner strength in decision making. An extraordinary individual who has demonstrated extreme determination, rare courage and has overcome adversity while successfully pursuing his education. (\$100)

Rachel Aidala

Superintendent's Award for Perseverance

Awarded to a senior who has demonstrated exceptional endurance, perseverance and overcame adversity while pursuing his educational goals. (\$100)

Angela Sano

Edward J. Szesnat III Memorial Scholarship

Awarded to a senior who is a student athlete or cheerleader and is based on an essay describing a lesson the student learned by playing sports. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500 per year for four years)

Maya Horton

Tabner, Ryan & Keniry LLP Scholarship

Awarded to a senior athlete with an average of 85 or greater who obtained a varsity letter during senior year and will attend a four year college. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Bridget Geraghty

The Lauren Tanski Literature and Arts Scholarship

Awarded to a senior pursuing a degree in journalism or photography. Student has been referred by a teacher and written an essay. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Michael Johnson, Jr.

Technology Education Senior Award

Excellence in the Technology curriculum as demonstrated through his classroom achievements. (\$100)

Robert Roemer

William E. Teiper Scholarship

Awarded to two seniors in memory of William E. Teiper, retired educator for the South Colonie School District. These students are pursuing education degrees to become teachers. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$750)

Marisa Bulgaro

Richard Lucas

Richard Tenenini Fund

This award is given to a graduating senior from CCHS (Rick's Alma Mater) who will be attending a community college, four year college or university or a trade/vocation school in the fall. The fund celebrates Rick's values, integrity, passion and his life-long commitment to making a positive contribution to improving people's mental health. The fund is administered by the Community foundation for the Greater Capital Region. (\$500)

Sohail Sial

Triple "C" Awards Program

Recognition to students who demonstrate CHARACTER, COURAGE AND COMMITMENT to improving society by the New York State Office of the Attorney General.

Muhammad Usman Azhar

Jamie Lam

Veeder School PTA Scholarships

Awarded to two seniors who attended Veeder Elementary School and are planning to further their education. These awards are based on academics and activities. (\$250 each)

Emily Benson

Abigail Montuori

Donald B. Walton Memorial Scholarship

An award to two graduating seniors who have a high school GPA of 85% or higher and will enroll in a four-year college or university in the Fall of 2015. It is given in memory of Don Walton who was a social studies teacher at Colonie Central High School for 15 years. He was passionate about the topics of social studies and history. The application also required an essay on what the applicant believes to be the most important event in history and why. (\$500 each)

Kiara Johnson

James Mead

Wells College 21st Century Leadership Award

Wells College honors one member of the junior class who embodies the spirit, integrity, and intellectual qualities of strong leaders and awards them a \$40,000 Scholarship for Leaders at Wells College. The selected student must have at least a 90% GPA in academic subject areas and demonstrated leadership ability through school and community activities.

Laura Matthews

Julia O. Wells Memorial Education Foundation, Inc. Award

Awarded to a senior planning to pursue a career in professional nursing and who has participated in school activities. Established by the Alumni Association of the Training School of Memorial Hospital. (\$500)

Sarah O'Leary

West Albany Fire Dept. #1 Ladies Auxiliary Scholarship

Awarded to a senior residing in the West Albany Fire District area planning to further her education after high school. (\$300)

Karl Platt IV

**West Albany Italian Benevolent Society & Women's Auxiliary
Italian Language Scholarship**

Awarded to a senior who has excelled in Italian I and Italian II with an average of 92 or higher, demonstrates enthusiasm for the Italian language and culture, speaks the Italian language both inside and outside of class, demonstrates community involvement and will attend a two or four year college or university. Based on an essay describing how the Italian language has made a difference in life. This award falls under the umbrella of the South Colonie Dollars for Scholars Chapter. (\$500)

Tracy Akuoko

Xerox Award for Innovation and Information Technology

Awarded to a junior for outstanding achievement in the pursuit of innovative approaches and an appreciation for the possibilities of technology. This award recipient is eligible to compete for a \$40,000 scholarship over four years at the University of Rochester.

Lindsey Podlaski

Young Women in Public Affairs Award

Awarded to a young woman by the Zonta Club of Albany to recognize her active involvement in volunteerism, leadership ability and achievement, and sincere commitment to advancing the status of women worldwide. (\$1,000)

Gianina Padula

Pat Zonneville Memorial Educational Award

Awarded to a senior girl for being a top bowler and exhibiting academic achievement by the New York State Woman's 600 Bowling club. (\$600)

Amanda Chrzanowski

College Scholarships

Over \$2,600,000 has been awarded in academic/merit scholarships to the following students:

Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Dean's Scholarship, Pharmaceutical Sciences Scholarship	<i>Ahsanullah Sehat</i>
Albany College of Pharmacy and Health Sciences Dean's Scholarship	<i>Aysha Sheikh</i>
Champlain College Achievement Scholarship, Access Scholarship, Innovation Scholarship	<i>Evan King</i>
Clark University Richard P. Traina Scholarship	<i>Jennifer Tedisco</i>
The College of Saint Rose Trustees Scholarship	<i>Kevin O'Brien</i>
The College of Saint Rose Presidential Scholarship	<i>Sana Syed</i>
Eckerd College Founders Academic Achievement Scholarship	<i>Abigail Pickett</i>
Endicott College Presidential Merit Scholarship	<i>Nicholas Bearup</i>
Fairleigh Dickinson University Colonel Fairleigh S. Dickinson Award, Bowling Scholarship	<i>Amanda Chrzanowski</i>
Fitchburg State University Presidential Scholarship	<i>Kevin Ritz</i>
Hofstra University Presidential Scholarship	<i>John Waterman</i>
University of Minnesota National Scholarship	<i>Victoria Servetas</i>
Mount Ida College Presidential Merit Scholarship	<i>Kyle Kennedy</i>
University of New Hampshire Dean's Scholarship	<i>Maya Horton</i>
State University of New York at New Paltz Presidential Scholarship	<i>Lily Champagne</i>
Northeastern University Merit Scholarship	<i>Sally Zhou</i>

State University of New York at Oswego Merit Scholarship	<i>Lauren Pffafenbach</i>
State University of New York at Oswego Presidential Scholarship	<i>Lucas Richard</i>
State University of New York Purchase College Merit Scholarship	<i>Carolyn Miner</i>
Roger Williams University Presidential Scholarship	<i>Caitlyn Flood</i>
Russell Sage College Trustee Excellence Award	<i>Sarah O'Leary</i>
Russell Sage College Trustee Excellence Award	<i>Leah Tomisman</i>
Sage College Trustee Excellence Award	<i>Nathan Franchi</i>
Saint John Fisher College Merit Scholarship	<i>Annaliese Hellkamp</i>
Saint John Fisher College Science Scholars Scholarship	<i>Joseph Talbot</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Jeffrey Canastra</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Elizabeth Lambert</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Valerie Marcil</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Anthony Mazzone</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Kelli Palmer</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Robert Roemer</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Noelle Saxe</i>
Siena College St. Clare Scholarship, Franciscan Scholarship	<i>Katherine Sorros</i>
Siena College Mission Scholarship	<i>Maria Tedisco</i>
Siena College Presidential Scholarship	<i>Matina Ziamandanis</i>

Stony Brook University Presidential Scholarship

Nicholas Sterge

Union College Presidential Scholarship

Christina Vu

Utica College UC Achievement Scholarship

Madison Judge

Western New England University Provost's Scholarship

Alayna Colbert