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### Spotlight on **New Milford Schools**

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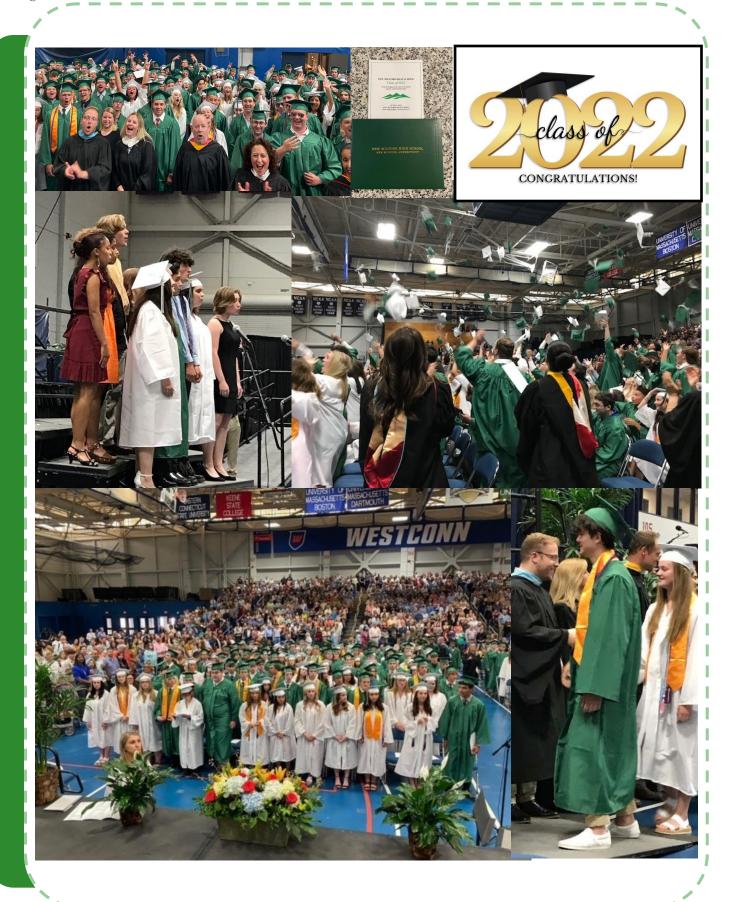
On Saturday, June 11, 2022, the New Milford community proudly recognized 294 graduates of the Class of 2022 in graduation ceremonies at Western CT State University's O'Neill Center. NMPS staff, their family and friends were honored to join the graduates in celebration.

In his speech to graduates, NMHS Principal Ray Manka said the Class of 2022 is like no other class in the history of New Milford High School. "You spent your time struggling through the pandemic, then returned to in-person learning, welcoming NMHS, and all of its students, back to our classrooms. Our Class of 2022 was a constant and steady presence acting as role models for our younger students. Student representatives worked tirelessly to lobby for returning privileges, functions, and events and did an outstanding job to ensure that the events returned and lived up to the stated expectations. Your leadership, energy, enthusiasm, support, care and compassion for one another was evident."

Superintendent Alisha DiCorpo also praised the Class. "I am honored to recognize and celebrate the collective and individual academic accomplishments of the Class of 2022 and the perseverance you've demonstrated. Kerry Washington once said, 'Your life is your story and the adventure ahead of you is the journey to fulfill your own purpose and potential.' As you look to the future, call on your past experiences as a reminder to yourself that you are strong, you are intelligent, and you have what it takes to succeed at whatever you put your mind to. Most importantly, always be hopeful and remain positive; and remember the best is yet to come."

Best wishes in all your future endeavors!





## Congratulations

#### NEW MILFORD HIGH SCHOOL

2021-22 Special Recognition Awards and Senior Scholarships

On May 26th, New Milford High School was pleased to host its annual Awards and Senior Scholarship Night. Approximately 96 students, of whom 74 are seniors, were recipients of awards from the Greater New Milford community ranging from \$100 to \$5,000. The total amount of local and regional scholarships awarded to NMHS Class of 2022 seniors was over \$255,000!!!



**A.Russell Ayre Scholarship:** Timothy Bensema, Sara Brescia, Cameron Carroccio, Emily Dunn, Kayla Fierko, Laura Grasso, Emma Henderson, Annalee Holcomb, Deanna Jackson, Megan Lipari, Miles Pokrinchak, Kelsey Stewart

Alexander "Oley" and Glenda Carpp Scholarship: Kierra Baur

Andrew B. Mygatt VFW Post #1672 Good Citizen Award: Jhoana Calle Andrew B. Mygatt VFW Post #1672 **Auxiliary Most** 

Improved Award: Jhoana Calle **Arion Singing Society German Lan**guage Award: Kelsey Stewart

**Army ROTC Scholarship:** Evan Linder Big Y Scholarship: Bronwyn Metz Brian Cody's Brothers & Sisters Stu-

dent Hero

Scholarship: Caralyn Anderson, Cassandra Giancaspro, Susan Hackett **CABE Student Leader Award:** Sarah

Beck, Ian Lee

**CAS Student Leadership Award:** 

Sarah Beck, Nicholas Carroccio

CAS/CIAC Scholar/Athlete Award: Ishaani Pradeep, Anthony Romaniello CEA New Milford: Emmaline Moore, Miles Pokrinchak

Clara Evelyn Brown Memorial Scholarship: Emily Dunn

**Creighton Public Service Scholarship:** Sara Brescia

**Danbury Flyers Alumni Scholarship:** Christopher Bon Tempo, Nolan Freeman DAR Good Citizen Award: Leah Farrell **DAR Roger Sherman Scholarship: Kelsev Stewart** 

**David & Deborah Begin STEM Schol**arship: Ngoc Nguyen, Kelsey Stewart Delta Kappa Gamma Society, Tau Chapter—Nancy Cousins Book Award: Emma Deakin

Donald H. Knowles Memorial Scholarship: Tyler Pilch

**Ellen Knowles Harcourt Foundation** Scholarship: Catera McCarvell-Oviatt, Jacob Presti

Erwin "Chick" Lieff Memorial Scholarship: Ishaani Pradeep French Honor Society Scholarship: **Quinn Danvers** 

Garden Club of New Milford:

Tvler Pilch

**Gaylordsville Historical Society:** 

Liam Cahalan

**Gaylordsville VFD Auxiliary Scholarship**: Liam Cahalan

**German Honor Society Scholarship**: Sophia Delohery

**GFWC Woman's Club of Greater New Milford** 

Scholarship: Sara Brescia

Greater New Milford Board of Realtors Scholarship: Sloan Gubner,

Susan Hackett

**Healing the Children Scholarship:** 

Sara Brescia, Cassandra Giancaspro, Kelsev Stewart

Henry "Hank" Anderson Memorial Scholarship:

Riley Mahlke, Trinity Mink

Iron Law LEMC of New Milford, CT

Scholarship: Logan Boisvert,

Cameron Carroccio

John Pettibone Memorial Scholarship:



Ronan Banton, Logan Boisvert, Cameron Carroccio, Annabelle Colonna, Gabriella Dane, Patrick Fergus, Nolan Freeman, Cassandra Giancaspro, Laura Grasso, Lucas Gustas, Susan Hackett, Grace Hengel, Shane Kelly, Timothy Larmore, Kayla Machado, Sarah Marcos, Bronwyn Metz, Trinity Mink, James Najera, Ngoc Nguyen, Nicholas Peburn, Ishaani Pradeep, Jacob Presti, Sarah Rondini, Franscesca Spindle, Kelsey Stewart, Kristen Taylor

John Phillip Sousa Band Award:

Kelsey Stewart

**Justine Wendy Smith Scholarship:** Joshua Berkun

Karlson Family Foundation Scholarship: Gabriella Dane, Laura Grasso, Trinity Mink, Ashwin Ram, Kelsey Stewart **Kenneth Hipp Memorial Scholarship**: Miles Pokrinchak

Lawrence & Natalie Portell Foundation: Brenda Rojas, Brekin Tuz Lois A. Fletcher Memorial Scholar-

ship: Katie Carcaldi

**Louis Armstrong Jazz Award:** 

Riley Mahlke

Lynn Marie DeCaro Memorial Scholarship: Bronwyn Metz

Math Honor Society:

Isabelle Bergman

Mildred Larson Memorial Scholar-

ship: Joshua Berkun

**National Honor Society Leadership** 

Scholarship: Megan Lipari

**National Honor Society Service Schol-**

arship: Emily Dunn

**National School Orchestra Award:** 

Isabell Bergman

**National Merit Scholarship Commen-**

dation: Quinn Danvers, Clarissa Garza, Ishaani Pradeep, Alistair Riney National Merit Scholarship Finalist:

Trinity Mink

National School Orchestra Award:

Isabelle Bergman

**New Milford Ambulance-Gail Carlson** 

Scholarship: Kristen Taylor

**New Milford American Legion Ezra** 

Woods Post #31 Award: Catera

McCarvell-Oviatt, Jacob Presti

New Milford Cafeteria Workers Memorial Scholarship: Kierra Baur,

Anna Burns, Nicholas Chiarito, Jayson Donaldson

New Milford Educational Secretaries Association Scholarship:

**Evan Lindner** 

New Milford Girl Scouts: Caralyn

Anderson, Bronwyn Metz

**New Milford High School Student** 

Council: Ishaani Pradeep

New Milford Hospital RN Scholarship: Thomas Atticks Memorial Scholar-Kayla Machado

**New Milford Lions Club Scholarship:** Laura Grasso

**New Milford Police Union Criminal Justice Award:** 

Cameron Carroccio, Sarah Rondini

**New Milford Police Union Leadership** 

Award: Megan Lipari, Bronwyn Metz, Tyler Pilch, Wreden Wandeloski

**New Milford PTO Scholarship:** Logan

Boisvert, Grace Christian, Kianna Flynn,

Nolan Freeman, Cassandra Giancaspro.

Megan Lipari, Tyler Pilch, Kristina Polo,

Anthony Romaniello, Sarah Rondini,

Madelaine Sweeney

**New Milford Rotary Scholarship:** 

Caralyn Anderson, Cameron Carroccio, Emma Deakin, Megan Lipari, Tyler Pilch, **Kelsev Stewart** 

**New Milford School Administrators** Association

Scholarship: Ishaani Pradeep

New Milford United Methodist Men's Club:

Gabriella Dane, Sloan Gubner

Nicole Ferrari Memorial Scholarship:

**Grace Christian** 

**Nobel B. Booth Scholarship:** 

Katharine Bouzakis

**Oma Doubek Scholarship:** 

Evan Lindner, Maximus Piel

**Robert & Barbara Mullen Scholarship:** 

**Trinity Mink** 

**SADD Jeffrey Martin Memorial Schol-**

arship: Brenda Rojas

Salutatorian: Laura Grasso

Sean Caselli Memorial Wrestling

Scholarship: Evan Lindner

Spanish Honor Society: Brenda Rojas SWC Leadership Award: Leah Farrell,

Christopher Bon Tempo

ship: Caralyn Anderson, Miles Pokrinchak

Thrift Mart Of NM Scholarship:



Caralyn Anderson, Logan Boisvert, Sara Brescia, Liam Cahalan, Katie Cacaldi, Cameron Carroccio, Gabriella Dane, Brandon Deldin, Jayson Donaldson, Patrick Fergus, Cassandra Giancaspro, Laura Grasso, Susan Hackett, Grace Hengel, Megan Lipari, Kayla Machado, Riley Mahlke, Bronwyn Metz, Trinity Mink, James Najera, Ngoc Nguyen, Tyler Pilch, Miles Pokrinchak, Kristina Polo, Ishaani, Pradeep, Ashwin Ram, Anthony Romaniello, Kelsey Stewart, Kristen Taylor, Breckin Tuz, Wreden Wandeloski, Dillon Woznev

Unified Buddies Scholarship: Sarah Beck, Jake Carpentieri, Gina Galligan, Grace Graham, Tyrese Hopkins, Donny Mazzella, Liam McInerney, Kristina Polo

Valedictorian: Ishaani Pradeep

Western CT Superintendent's Award: Joshua Berkun, Sarah Rondini

> Sincere gratitude to our community partners. Thank you New Milford for all the encouragement and support you give to our students and graduates!

#### **New Milford Adult Education Holds Commencement Exercises**

On June 15th, eleven proud graduates of the New Milford Adult Education program received their high school diplomas. Congratulations graduates!







Gianney Francine Arzu Jose Emanuel Collazo, Jr Ava Jane Connolly Patrick Raymond Lillis, IV Gabriella Isabell Luna Brady Robert Manouse Alaiza Medeiros Devin Rodger Jenna Renee Sterry Edric Weaver Nelson Zhunio



#### Adult Education 2022 Student Awards



Student Leadership – Gianney Arzu, Gabriella Luna, Jenna Sterry, Savannah Yeomans Commitment to Education – Jenna Sterry

Outstanding Improvement – Jose Collazo, John Shaw

Positive Attitude – Gabriella Luna

Academic Excellence – Gianney Arzu, Ava Connolly, Ken Salvador, John Shaw, Jenna Sterry Advocacy Award – Gabriella Luna, Jenna Sterry

Algebra – Gianney Arzu, Devin Rodger, Savannah Yeomans

Children's Lit - Gianney Arzu, Michael Molloy, John Shaw

*Creative Writing* – Jose Collazo

The Earth & Environment – Alaiza Medeiros, Kenneth Salvador, Edric Weaver

Graphic Novel - Kenneth Salvador

Great Gatsby – Gianney Arzu, Ava Connolly, Patrick Lillis, Savannah Yeomans

Horror Studies - Gianney Arzu, Michael Molloy, John Shaw

*Literary Concepts* – Kenneth Salvador, David Trenck

Principles of Marketing - Gianney Arzu, David Trench, Edric Weaver, Savannah Yeomans

# Best Wishes to the 2021-22 NMPS Retirees You will be missed!!



Nancy Alexander



Susan Brofford



Kathleen Calabrese



Sandra Cipolla



Carol Couch



Heidi Fair



Cindy Gallagher



Linda Hurley



Danette Lambiase



Mary Lavoie



Eileen Mangin



Daisy Norlander



Kenneth O'Neil



Joseph Raps



Grace Rossell



Kathleen Sanders



Nancy Schindelar



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#### Halo Award Winners!

Halo awards are the premiere high school musical theater awards in Connecticut. This year, the NMHS productions of *She Kills Monsters* and *Chicago* were honored to be nominated for 20 Halo Awards. We are proud of all students and staff who participated in both productions.



Special congratulations to the **Pit Orchestra** for winning the **Best Orchestra** award and to





**Leah Lawson** for winning **Best Performance by a Leading Actress in a Classical Musical**.

Can't wait to see what next year brings to our theatre!!

The mission of the New Milford Public Schools, a collaborative partnership of students, educators, family and community, is to prepare each and every student to compete and excel in an ever-changing world, embrace challenges with vigor, respect and appreciate the worth of every human being, and contribute to society by providing effective instruction and dynamic curriculum, offering a wide range of valuable experiences, and inspiring students to pursue their dreams and aspirations.