Meet Hen Hud’s Two at the Top

For both Hendrick Hudson High School Valedictorian Kennan Ewing and Salutatorian Daniel Kaufman, the key to their successful high school careers traces back directly to the school’s faculty and the wide array of courses available to students.

“The high school’s AP and honors teachers have such great personalities and are so motivating,” said Kennan. “Additionally, the number and variety of classes available are among the great things about Hendrick Hudson High School.”

“The variety of classes and the freedom to pursue what you are interested in really helps set the high school apart,” said Daniel, adding that this has helped make his four years here particularly successful.

Kennan’s time at Hendrick Hudson High School has been characterized by both academic excellence and outstanding achievements in sports and music. Graduating as an AP Scholar with Distinction and a National Merit Commended Scholar, Kennan has served as President of the National Honor Society and Math Honor Society, as well as Vice President of the Spanish Honor Society. He earned the Yale Book Award, the Parents Club of West Point Dwight D. Eisenhower Leadership Award and the Malcolm Bump Memorial Award.

A tennis standout, Kennan has been a member of the Varsity Tennis team since 7th grade, graduating as Captain and planning to continue at the club or intramural level while at college. This past April, he was recognized as a Con Edison Athlete of the Week for his accomplishments on the tennis team.

An accomplished musician, he has studied the cello since the third grade, and has been a part of the Greater Westchester Youth Orchestra Association, Area All-State Orchestra and All-County Orchestra, as well as serving as principal cellist in the district’s orchestras since 6th grade.

This fall, Kennan will be following in his father’s footsteps, attending Princeton University, where he said he is very much looking forward to new experiences and meeting new people.

Daniel’s four years at Hendrick Hudson High School have been filled with academic accomplishments as well as deeply meaningful experiences outside of school. In addition to being an AP Honor Scholar and receiving the Rensselaer Medal Award, Daniel has been a member of the National Honor Society, Math Honor Society and Spanish Honor Society.

Throughout all four of his years at Hendrick Hudson High School, Daniel has made time for community service and athletics. He has been a longtime volunteer with the Leo’s Club, helping the service-oriented organization with activities such as Midnight Runs, visits to the Andrus Children’s Home, and community events such as the annual Easter Egg Hunt and Relay for Life. He also traveled to Guatemala for three weeks between his junior and senior year to help teach English at a local school.

Additionally, Daniel has been a member of both the basketball and soccer teams, playing on the JV and Varsity soccer team, as well as the Freshman basketball team.

Daniel will be heading to Binghamton University in the fall, where he will be part of the University’s Scholars Program.
Hen Hud Board Hosts Retirement Reception

The Hendrick Hudson School District honored its 2016 retirees at a festive reception before the June 8th school board meeting in the high school cafeteria. The retirees in attendance were honored with words of thanks, gifts and corsages, as well as hugs and a few tears.

The 2016 retirees are:

**Amy Cunningham**, Teaching Assistant, Frank G. Lindsey ES

**Sarakay Eyring**, Special Education Teacher, Buchanan-Verplanck ES

**Susan Feldman**, Elementary Music Teacher

**William Geiger**, Earth Science Teacher, Hendrick Hudson HS

**Robert Gilleo**, Custodian/Bus Driver

**Alissa Jacobson**, Teacher, Buchanan-Verplanck ES

**Joann Klopper**, Teaching Assistant, Furnace Woods ES

**Nina Levine**, Library Media Specialist, Hendrick Hudson HS

**Kathleen Nestler**, Administrative Assistant, Building and Grounds Dept.

**Susan Palestrant**, Special Education Teacher, Furnace Woods ES and Frank G. Lindsey ES

**Ann Scozzafava**, Teacher Aide, Frank G. Lindsey ES

**Joseph Trapasso**, Chauffer

**Valerie White**, Chauffer

**Christine Wickel**, Physical Education Teacher, Furnace Woods ES

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Board of Education Awards Tenure to 14

Congratulations to the following members of the Hendrick Hudson school community who were awarded tenure the evening of May 17 at a special Board of Education recognition ceremony:

**TEACHERS:**
- Heather Angelo, Reading, Buchanan-Verplanck ES
- Diana Balsamo, Guidance Counselor, Hendrick Hudson HS
- Karen Burstein, Speech & Language, Frank G. Lindsey ES
- Bradley Fredman, Physical Education, Hendrick Hudson HS
- Antonietta Gliubizzi, LOTE, Hendrick Hudson HS
- Janine Hafemann, Reading, Frank G. Lindsey ES
- Robert Molfetta, Technology, Blue Mountain MS
- Christopher Moreno, Special Education, Frank G. Lindsey ES
- Kelli Peterson, Special Education, Blue Mountain MS
- Christina Scala, Mathematics, Blue Mountain MS
- Angela Shalhoub, LOTE, Blue Mountain MS
- Thomas Yee, Mathematics, Hendrick Hudson HS

**TEACHING ASSISTANTS:**
- Deborah Marino, Teaching Assistant, Buchanan-Verplanck ES
- Maryann Whitson, Teaching Assistant, Frank G. Lindsey ES

*Congratulations to all!*  

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**HHHS and BMMS Pave the Way for Smooth Transitions**

Change can be hard, but at Hendrick Hudson High School and Blue Mountain Middle School, a new program is easing the way for incoming students, helping reduce the stress that is sometimes associated with “moving up” and changing schools.

Having access to useful and accurate information about moving up to high school goes far toward calming nerves among eighth grade students and their parents. That was the goal of an informal meeting hosted earlier this year by the middle and high school PTA/PTSA: “Introduction to Hendrick Hudson High School – A Facilitated Discussion on Transitioning from BMMS to the HS.”

About 50 middle school parents and students showed up for the relaxed and interactive presentation covering topics such as high school courses, clubs and student life. Among the evening’s presenters were Hendrick Hudson High School Principal James Mackin, Blue Mountain Middle School Principal John Owens and Guidance Counselor Beth Gagne. The event aimed to make incoming students aware of opportunities at the high school, while clarifying some of the scheduling decisions they needed to think about prior to touring the high school and meeting with guidance counselors.

As Mr. Mackin discussed the variety of courses available at the high school, as well as the registration process and the realities of academic scheduling, members of the high school’s Peer Leaders were on hand to provide valuable student input. “There is great value anytime current students can share their experiences with incoming families,” said Mr. Mackin. “I am very proud of the young men and women that participated in this event. Their insight lent credibility to my presentation of the opportunities available at the high school.”

Blue Mountain Middle School Principal John Owens and Guidance Counselor Beth Gagne were also on hand to provide information to students and parents. “It was nice to arrange a night for both parents and students to attend together, and to have the opportunity to hear from both administrators and students about our high school,” said Ms. Gagne.

David Abraham, a parent of two middle school students, attended the event with both children and said he appreciated the early introduction to the high school. “The offerings are so much more extensive than we had when we were going to high school, so it was useful to get some tips on how to choose programs, as well as learn about what is available,” he said. “Having the high school students on hand to talk about their experiences was great as well.”

A similar program for incoming sixth grade students and parents was held at Blue Mountain Middle School on May 18, to introduce elementary school families to life at Blue Mountain. The program consisted of an informal Q & A session with a panel of current middle school parents and students, and offered incoming parents an opportunity to meet some of the school’s staff members, including Principal John Owens, Student Assistance Counselor Lisa Maria Albanese and 6th grade math teacher Donna Miller.
Hen Hud Seniors: Where They’re Going

Adelphi University
Alfred University
Austin Community College
Bentley University
Binghamton University
Boston College
Boston University
Buffalo State College of SUNY
City College, CUNY
Clemson University
Concordia College - New York
Cornell University
Dutchess Community College
Elnon University
Embry-Riddle Aeronautical University - Daytona Beach
Fashion Institute of Technology
Florida Atlantic University
Florida Gulf Coast University
Fordham University - Lincoln Center Campus/Rose Hill Campus
Full Sail University
Hilbert College
Hobart and William Smith Colleges
Hunter College, CUNY
Ithaca College
James Madison University
John Jay College of Criminal Justice, CUNY
Keene State College
Kenyon College
King's College
Lehman College, CUNY
LIM (Laboratory Institute of Merchandising) College
Marist College
Marquette University
Minneapolis Community and Technical College
Mount Saint Mary College
New England Conservatory of Music
North Carolina State University
Northeastern University
Northwestern University
Old Dominion University
Onondaga Community College
Pace University, Westchester Campus
Paul Smith's College
Pennsylvania State University - All Campuses
Princeton University
Purchase College State University of New York
Putnam Northern Westchester BOCES - Adult and Continuing Education
Queens University of Charlotte
Quinnipiac University
Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute
Rochester Institute of Technology
Sacred Heart University
Savannah College of Art and Design
Siena College
Smith College
Sophie Davis School of Biomedical Education, CUNY
Southern Vermont College
State University of New York at Plattsburgh
State University of New York at Albany
State University of New York at New Paltz
Stella and Charles Guttman Community College
Stevens Institute of Technology
Stony Brook University
SUNY College at Cobleskill
SUNY College at Cortland
SUNY College at Geneseo
SUNY College at Oneonta
SUNY College at Potsdam
SUNY Maritime College
SUNY Morrisville State College
SUNY Oswego
Syracuse University
The College of Saint Rose
The College of Westchester
The Ohio State University
The University of Arizona
The University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
The University of Scranton
Towson University
Tulane University
Union College
United States Merchant Marine Academy
Universal Technical Institute
University at Buffalo The State University of New York
University of Delaware
University of New Hampshire at Durham
University of New Haven
University of Notre Dame
University of Pittsburgh
University of Rhode Island
University of Rochester
University of South Carolina
Virginia Tech
West Virginia University
Westchester Community College
Western New England University
2015-16 Hen Hud Athletic Highlights

- 99 Student-Athletes achieved All League status
- 28 Student-Athletes achieved All Section/All Conference status
- Three Student-Athletes qualified for New York State Championships
- Cheerleading won Westchester County Championship and a National Competition
- Volleyball won the Class B, Section 1 Championship
- Over 85% of our teams were recognized by New York State as Scholar-Athlete teams
- Three Con Edison Award winners in Class of 2016
- Implemented an innovative Speed and Agility Program for Student-Athletes at no cost for community members
- 17 members of Class of 2016 are playing a college sport
- Student-Athletes were recognized by various coaching associations across Section 1 with awards and scholarships. Varsity wrestling team recognized by wrestling coaches for Sportsmanship Award

- Community Service offered throughout the district by athletes
  - Athletes raised money for the following organizations:
    - Breast Cancer Awareness
    - Relay for Life
    - Maria Fareri Children’s Hospital

- Community Service offered through various clinics to young athletes in the community

- 7 teams won League Championships:
  - Girls Tennis
  - Girls Cross Country
  - Girls Winter Track
  - Boys Tennis
  - Golf
  - Baseball
  - Girls Spring Track
2016 Commencement Photo Gallery
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Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2016

Parent Teacher Student Association
Award to the Valedictorian
Kennan Ewing

Parent Teacher Student Association
Award to the Salutatorian
Daniel Kaufman

Christopher Columbus Society Ladies
Auxiliary Award
To The 3rd Ranking Senior
Danielle Bufano

Golden Anniversary Woman's Club Of
Peekskill-Cortlandt Award
Jessica Goldman

Peekskill Rotary Club
Outstanding Students
Scholarship – Kennan Ewing
Fellowship – Andrew Persaud

Richard Albert Scholarship Award
Lilah Schneeberger

Merchant Marines Acceptance
Appointment Presentation
Taylor Crisci

Buchanan Senior Citizens
Scholarship Award
Emily Barthelmes

Principal's Award
Matthew Kempski, Hannah Sternberg

Robert J. Hill Memorial
Scholarship Award
Christina Kennedy

Cheryl R. Lindenbaum
Memorial Award
Gracie Aaronson

Stephen C. Keenan Memorial Award
Davinder Singh

Yara Louise Heston Memorial
Service Award
Jacob Alter

Patriotic Service Community Award
Taylor Crisci, Daniel Pfrang

Diane Tangen Scholarship Award
I’Dris Pearson

Buckner Award For Understanding, Acceptance, and Compassion
Marisa Lebitsch

Ed Carter Memorial Award
Anthony Caldwell

Robert Scott Memorial Award
Connor McStay

John Cito Maritime Award
Matthew Kempski

Cortlandt Engine Company #1 Ladies
Auxiliary Award
Fire District Resident – Morgan Murphy
School District Resident – Alicia Niebrzydowski

Certificate of Special Congressional Recognition
Andrew Persaud

Sally Schecter Debate and Speech Award
Madeline Lee, Adrianna Tiberi

New York State Comptroller
Achievement Award
Michael Smith

Parent Teacher Student Association
Graduation Award
Noelle Carlson, Amanda Morabito, Davinder Singh, Brianna Stewart

Parent Teacher Student Association
American Association of University
Women Outstanding Student Award
Danielle Bufano

HHCEF Scholarship Award
Catherine Barra, Kennan Ewing

ART/MUSIC DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Douglas Mowbray Art Award
Ari Kaegi

Parent Teacher Student Association Art Academic Excellence Award
Lilah Schneeberger

Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to Art Award
Talia Rose Evans

Parent Teacher Student Association Band Award
Cassandra Cavalieri, Jessica Macci

Parent Teacher Student Association Orchestra Award
Kennan Ewing, Hideo Schwartz

Parent Teacher Student Association Choral Award
Cassandra Cavalieri, Katherine Johnson

Performing Arts Award
Gregory Carey, Travis Ramirez

Ema S. K. Price Music Award
Lexi Steinman

Aaron Copland Excellence in Music Award
Cassandra Cavalieri

ATHLETIC DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Irwin J. Mayer Memorial Award-
Scholarship and Athletics
Male Athlete – Jacob Alter
Female Athlete – Lorreilee Castaneda

Irwin J. Mayer Participation Award
Male Athlete – Devin Furphy
Female Athlete – Shannon Karabaic

Vincent Verdeschi Memorial Award
Male Athlete – Nick Marra
Female Athlete – Kelsea Gillen
Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2016

Hendrick Hudson Athletics
Perseverance Award
Male Athletes – Sebastian Burbano, Sam Zilker
Female Athletes – Alicia Niebrzydowski, Grace McMurrin

Hendrick Hudson Athletic Department
Dedication Award
Male Athlete – Miguel Perez
Female Athlete – Montana Garrett

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Sailor Pride Award
Male Athlete – Ben Laub
Female Athlete – Danielle Bufano

Athletic Department Award
Male Athletes – Matt Vigliotti, Matt Marussich
Female Athletes – Gabrielle Caruso, Katie Luposello

Athletic Department Service Award
Male Athlete – Daniel O’Connor
Female Athlete – Emily Cothren

Athletic Department Leadership Award
Male Athlete – William Villa
Female Athlete – Jessica Goldman

Scholar Athlete Awards
Emily Barthelmes, Danielle Bufano, Aidan Dowling, Kennan Ewing, Jessica Goldman, Katherine Johnson, Daniel Kaufman, Spencer Mazzilli, Andrew Persaud, Lilah Schneeberger

Rotary Athlete of the Year
Male Co-Athletes – Michael Smith, Jordan Artope
Female Athlete – Emily Barthelmes

Con Edison Scholar Athlete
Emily Barthelmes, Kennan Ewing, Michael Smith

Hendrick Hudson Heisman Scholar Award
Jessica Macci

Varsity Club Award
Jacob Alter, Emily Barthelmes, Kennan Ewing, Alicia Niebrzydowski
Michael W. Lynch, Sr. Memorial Scholarship
Jordan Artope

Steven “Pud” Heller Scholarship
Michael Smith

Charles Reilly Scholarship
Frank Riefenhauser

Cortland Youth Football Touchdown Club
Anthony Disisto, Michael Smith

Hendrick Hudson Hall Of Fame Scholarship
Lindsay Pelaccio, Michael Smith

BUSINESS EDUCATION AWARDS

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in Business/Computer Award
Harrison Warshaw

FBLA Business Award
Emily Barthelmes

Stock Market Game – 1st Place Team – Regular Game & Diversified Portfolio Game
Alexis Chica, Kyle Doernberg, Christopher Quinoy, Matthew Vigliotti

2015/16 Yearbook Award – Digital Graphics & Publishing
Taylor Crisci, Brandon Mason, Connor McStay

Bookstore Award
Deanna Mickelson

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in English Award
Gracie Aaronson

Parent Teacher Student Association Dedication to English Award
Catherine Barra

Parent Teacher Student Association ESL Award
Davinder Singh

American Association of University Women Excellence in Writing Award
Jessica O’Connor
Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2016

FOREIGN LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in the Study of
Spanish Award
Daniel Kaufman

Parent Teacher Student Association
Dedication to Spanish Award
Travis Ramirez

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in the Study of
French Award
Lilah Schneeberger

Parent Teacher Student Association
Dedication to French Award
Danielle Bufano

Circolo Davinci Award
Christina Kennedy

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in the Study of
Italian Award
Nancy Siguenza

Parent Teacher Student Association
Dedication to Italian Award
Spencer Mazzilli

Italian Honor Society Award
Emily Barthelmes, Christina Kennedy, Nicole Pennella

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in Math Award
Emily Barthelmes

Parent Teacher Student Association
Dedication to Math Award
Kennan Ewing

Math Honor Society Senior Award
Christina Kennedy

Hendrick Hudson High School
American Mathematics Competition Award
Samuel Zilker

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in Science Award
Daniel Pfrang

Parent Teacher Student Association
Dedication to Science Award
Jane Milcetic

BASF Award for Science
Nancy Siguenza, Olivia Young

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT AWARD

Hendrick Hudson High School
Historical Award
Kyle Szendro

William Stern Post #70 Jewish War Veterans of U.S. Award
Taylor Crisci

Parent Teacher Student Association
Academic Excellence in Social Studies Award
Nancy Siguenza

Parent Teacher Student Association
Dedication to Social Studies Award
Gracie Aaronson

Thomas L. Fedele Dedication to Success Award
Brianna Stewart

TECH CENTER AWARDS

CSEA Unit 9162 Scholarship Award
Andrew Grant, Ariana Kingwood

Parent Teacher Student Association
Tech Center Award
Anthony Caldwell

PARENT TEACHER STUDENT ASSOCIATION ACADEMIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

HIGH HONOR ROLL 15 TIMES

The Following Students Have Achieved High Honor Roll 15 Times

Gracie Aaronson
Joshua Alter
Danielle Bufano
Aiden Dowling
Kennan Ewing
Jake Fox
Jessica Goldman
Katherine Johnson
Daniel Kaufman
Christina Kennedy
Spencer Mazzilli
Andrew Persaud
Travis Ramirez
Frank Riefenhauser
Brittany Schiavo
Nancy Siguenza
Gillian Stieglitz
Hendrick Hudson High School Senior Awards 2016

HONOR ROLL 15 TIMES

The Following Students Have Achieved Honor Roll Status 15 Times

- Anthony Aldana
- Jacob Alter
- Catherine Barra
- Emily Barthelmes
- Ashley Brockhausen
- Gabrielle Caruso
- Lorreilee Castaneda
- Galo Chica
- Alec Feldman
- Nicole Garcia
- Ashlyn Haight
- Emily Hochron
- Ariana Kingwood
- Marisa Lebitsch
- Wayne Lin
- Jessica Macci
- Nicholas Marra
- Jane Milcetic
- Amanda Monk
- Ashley Morris
- Lindsay Pelaccio
- Nicole Pennella
- Jenna Richardson
- Lilah Schneeberger
- Michael Smith
- Lexi Steinman
- Kayla Tandy
- Adrianna Tiberi
- Gabrielle Wolf

2016 President’s Award For Educational Achievement

- Gracie Leigh Aaronson
- Jacob Robert Alter
- Joshua Andrew Alter
- Catherine Rose Barra
- Emily Kate Barthelmes
- Ashley Brockhausen
- Danielle Erin Bufano
- Thomas Cascone
- Lorreilee Jayne Castaneda
- Aidan Dowling
- Kennan Ma Ewing
- Alec Feldman
- Jake Fox
- Jessica Goldman
- Ashlyn Jade Haight
- Emily Hochron
- Katherine Johnson
- Daniel Kaufman
- Christina Marie Kennedy
- Clio Lieberman
- Spencer Thomas Mazzilli
- Deanna Mickelsen
- Jane Ann Milcetic
- Amanda Louise Monk
- Alicia Julia Niebrzydowski
- Daniel Timothy O’Connor
- Catherine Mary O’Halloran
- Julia Kate O’Halloran
- Nicole Pennella
- Andrew Latchman Persaud
- Daniel James Pfrang
- Frank Riefenhauser
- Lilah Rose Schneeberger
- Hideo Schwartz
- Nancy Gabriela Siguienza
- Kyle Nicholas Szendro
- Kayla Marie Tandy
- Adrianna Tiberi
- Harrison Parker Warshaw
- Gabrielle Wolf
- Olivia Isadora Young

SCHOLARSHIPS

- Hendrick Hudson Educational Secretaries Association Scholarship
  - Andrew Persaud
- Hendrick Hudson Lion’s Club/Sarah F. Donovan Scholarship
  - Gracie Aaronson, Amanda Monk
- Margaret McCorry Memorial Scholarship
  - Grace McMurrin
- Buchanan Engine Company Annual Scholarship
  - Frank Lynch
- Cortlandt Community Volunteer Ambulance Corps Annual Scholarship
  - Grace McMurrin, Nancy Siguienza, Brenna Wassil
- Goldblatt & Associates Law Scholarship
  - Alec Feldman, Jena Hanney, Emily Hochron
- Next Gen Foundation Scholarship
  - Aidan Dowling, Jena Hanney
- This Is Me Scholarship
  - Katie Luposello
- Furnace Woods Elementary School Alumni Scholarship
  - Michael Smith, Gabrielle Wolf
- Frank G. Lindsey Alumni Scholarship
  - Kennan Ewing, Morgan Murphy
- Buchanan-Verplanck Elementary School Alumni PTA Scholarship
  - Emily Barthelmes, Jena Hanney
- 2016 Christopher Columbus Society Scholarship Award
  - Catherine Barra

Commended Students National Merit Scholarship – 2016

- Danielle Bufano
- Kennan Ewing
- Spencer Mazzilli
Hendrick Hudson High School Underclass Awards 2016

INNOVATION & CREATIVITY AWARD
Awarded by Rochester Institute of Technology
Deepa Mistry, Frederick Wohlers

COMPUTING MEDAL AND SCHOLARSHIP AWARD
Awarded by Rochester Institute of Technology
Tiffany Cornely, Kevin Pyrch

FREDERICK DOUGLASS & SUSAN B. ANTHONY AWARD
Jessica Gerhardt

GEORGE EASTMAN YOUNG LEADERS AWARD
Laura Ward

PARENTS CLUB OF WEST POINT DWIGHT D. EISENHOWER LEADERSHIP AWARD
Gregory Fucheck

XEROX AWARD FOR INNOVATION AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY
Tiffany Cornely

BOOK AWARDS
HARVARD BOOK PRIZE
Danielle Guida

YALE BOOK AWARD
Jonathan Chung

WELLESLEY BOOK AWARD
Wendy Yu

SMITH COLLEGE BOOK AWARD
Wendy Yu

ART AND MUSIC DEPARTMENT AWARDS
HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL BAND AWARD
Mark Quarles, Ellen Gruber

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL ORCHESTRA AWARD
Jonathan Chung, David Feller

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL CHORUS AWARD
Thomas Maloney, Emily Fareed

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL CERAMICS AWARD
Yesenia Tenesca Zhingri

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL STUDIO ART AWARD
Violet Kravitz

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL JEWELRY DESIGN AWARD
Kristin Wenzel

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL DRAWING AND PAINTING AWARD
Kelsie MacFadyen

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL STAINED GLASS AWARD
Haley Merchant

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL ADVANCED DRAWING AND PAINTING AWARD
Andrea Ircha

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL YOUNG DESIGNER AWARD
Stephanie Mandelkow, Thomas Lorio

PHYSICAL EDUCATION AWARDS
HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL PHYSICAL EDUCATION AWARD
9th Grade – Tarah Doyle
10th Grade – Alan Porter Jackson
11th Grade – Joshua Spitz

BUSINESS EDUCATION AWARDS
HIGHEST AVERAGE IN ACCOUNTING
Christian Aurand

HIGHEST AVERAGE IN BUSINESS LAW
Gregory Fucheck

HIGHEST AVERAGE IN MARKETING
Peter Maselli

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY AWARDS
ENGINEERING EXCELLENCE AWARD
Introduction to Engineering Design
Roney Andrade

Principles of Engineering
Connor Anderson

ENGINEERING CHARACTER AWARD
Ian Murray

PROJECT LEAD THE WAY BIOMED CHARACTER AWARD
Deepa Mistry

EXCELLENCE IN PROJECT LEAD THE WAY BIOMEDICAL SCIENCES AWARDS
Principles of the Biomedical Sciences – Emily Guida
Human Body Systems – Carolyn Kochek
Medical Interventions – Laura Ward
Hendrick Hudson High School Underclass Awards 2016

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AWARDS

OBERLIN COLLEGE BOOK AWARD
Danielle Guida

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL WRITING AWARD
9th Grade - Joseph DiBitetto, 10th Grade - Taylor Prokopiak, 11th Grade - Tamika Brooks

ENGLISH DEPARTMENT AWARD
9th/10th Grade – Angel Chiriboga Moreira,
10th Grade – Angel Perez, 11th Grade – Christopher Covington

HIGHEST FINAL AVERAGE IN ENGLISH 9, 10, AND 11
English 9 – Haley Merchant, English 10 – Kaylee Febres, English 11 – Danielle Guida

HIGHEST GRADE ON ENGLISH REGENTS – 99%
Carolyn Kochek, Thomas Lorio, Brett Mager

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT AWARDS

ALGEBRA I – HIGHEST REGENTS GRADE
Buu-Hac Nguyen

GEOMETRY R – HIGHEST FINAL EXAM GRADE
Larisa Bushkin

ALGEBRA II R - HIGHEST FINAL EXAM GRADE
Sam Glosser

PRE-CALCULUS AB FINAL EXAM AWARD
Alexander Carlos

PRE-CALCULUS BC FINAL EXAM AWARD
Connor Anderson

MATH HONOR SOCIETY JUNIOR AWARD
Melanie Porras

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL AMERICAN
MATHEMATICS COMPETITION AWARD
Sam Glosser – AMC 10 Test
Dominic Costa – AMC 12 Test

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

HIGHEST REGENTS GRADE IN EARTH SCIENCE – 98%
Joseph DiBitetto, Thomas Lorio

HIGHEST REGENTS GRADE IN CHEMISTRY – 100%
Danielle Smith

HIGHEST REGENTS GRADE IN PHYSICS – 98%
Sam Glosser, Alex Parker

SAMUEL H. TOPPER CHEMISTRY AWARD
Stephanie Mandelkow

RENSSELAER AWARD
Julian Weissman

BAUSCH & LOMB AWARD
Jonathan Chung

SOCIAL STUDIES DEPARTMENT AWARDS

HENDRICK HUDSON HIGH SCHOOL
SOCIAL STUDIES AWARD GRADE 9
Kathleen Mahoney – AP
Thea Barbelet, Carla Guariglia – Global I
Emily Guida – Global Block

MALCOLM BUMP MEMORIAL AWARD
GRADE 10
Danielle Smith, Henry DeGarmo – AP
Matthew Barry, Alexandra Lenz – Global II

MORTON C. LINDSEY MEMORIAL HISTORY AWARD
GRADE 11
Julian Weissman, Danielle Guida, Gregory Fucheck – AP
Fadeke Kalejaiae, Alexander Lagos, Alexander Carlos – Academic

JOHN E. MILLS SOCIAL STUDIES AWARD
GRADE 9:
Ashley Perez – Block
Lily Burke, Markus Corado – Academic
Gonzalo Alvarez – AP

GRADE 10:
Emma Tandy, Matthew Imbimbo – Academic
Spencer Boxer, Leah Montgomery – AP

GRADE 11:
Daniel Weimar – Academic
Danielle Zalamea – AP

COLLEEN MCGUIRE BLAIR AWARD
Kristen Bartolomeo, Daniel Maloney

HIGHEST GRADE ON GLOBAL STUDIES REGENTS – 100%
Samantha Aaronson

HIGHEST GRADE ON U.S. HISTORY AND GOVERNMENT
REGENTS – 100%
Alexander Carlos, Jonathan Chung, Nicholas Cunningham, Danielle Guida, Gregory Fucheck, Jaclyn Raguso, Julian Weissman
Hendrick Hudson High School Underclass Awards 2016

WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT AWARDS

ITALIAN
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – ITALIAN II
Joseph DiBitetto, Emily Guida
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – ITALIAN III
Vanessa Nine, Eliza Tivnan
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT ITALIAN IV & V
Danielle Guida
ITALIAN FLACS COMPREHENSIVE EXAM - 100%
Erik Chuchuca, Carolyn Kochek, Eliza Tivnan, Danielle Zalamea

FRENCH
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – FRENCH II
Larisa Bushkin
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – FRENCH III
Maya Cacanindin
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT FRENCH – SYRACUSE UNIVERSITY
Gregory Fucheck
FRENCH FLACS COMPREHENSIVE EXAM – 96%
Amelia Bisaccia, Violet Kravitz

SPANISH DEPARTMENT AWARDS

MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – SPANISH I
Thomas Lorio
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – SPANISH II
Carla Guariglia, Kathleen Mahoney
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – SPANISH III
Andrea Goncalves, Danielle Smith
MOST OUTSTANDING STUDENT – SPANISH IV
Jonathan Chung, Julian Weissman
SPANISH FLACS COMPREHENSIVE EXAM – 100%
Andrea Goncalves, Alexandra Lenz, Danielle Smith, Joseph Tejada, Melody Munitz, Joana Vasquez

ESL AWARD
Roney Sebastian Andrade

THREE TIMES ON THE HIGH HONOR ROLL - GRADE 9

THREE TIMES ON THE HIGH HONOR ROLL - GRADE 10
Samantha Aaronson, Christina Alaio, Matthew Barry, Margaret Bernstein, Amelia Bisaccia, John Briggi, Maya Cacanindin, Jessica Conklin, Trevor Dowling, Kaylee Febres, Donald French, Andrea Goncalves, Quinn Gruber, Paul Hartigan, Eva Hecht, Elisabeth Johnson, Carolyn Kochek, Violet Kravitz, Alexandra Lenz, Kayleigh Lizotte, Brett Mager, Stephanie Mandelkow, Peter Manthey, Natalie McIntyre, Leah Montgomery, Melody Munitz, Montana Nelson, Vy-Ha Nguyen, Taylor Prokopiak, Danielle Smith, Tess Willinger.

THREE TIMES ON THE HIGH HONOR ROLL - GRADE 11
Cassandra Acosta, Connor Anderson, Roney Andrade, Alyssa Bleakley, Randi Blitzer, Isabella Brizzi, Kelsey Byrne, Jonathan Chung, Tiffany Cornely, Dominic Costa, Michael Cudahy, Nicholas Cunningham, Gregory Fucheck, Matthew Gofman, Danielle Guida, Meghan Ho, Chloe Hornbarger, Sara Kearney, Molly Lesnick Kirstin Loh, Daniel Maloney, Thomas Maloney, Lauren Mandelkow, Brianna Marangeliello, Peter Maselli, Deepa Mistry, Jennifer Morillo, Vinh-Thuy Nguyen, Jillian O’Reilly, Gabriela Pogyo, Melanie Porras, Kevin Pyrch, Elizabeth Quezada-O’Rourke, Jaclyn Raguso, Jisun Reiner, Elizabeth Robertson, Alanna Shea, Lauren Siegel, Jaelynn Smith, Emily Sullivan, Jessica Tosi, Julian Weissman, Lauren Wenzel, Frederick Wohlers.
Blue Mountain Middle School Awards

EXCELLENCE IN SUBJECT AREA

ENGLISH
Hayden Gelman, Jennifer Gougelman

MATH
Juliette Gauptman, Rebecca Stratton

SCIENCE
James Reilly, Aiden Breneman-Pennas

SOCIAL STUDIES
Escarle Tapia, Alex Garcia

SPANISH
Hayden Gelman, Matthew Klimek

ITALIAN
Samantha Mager, Sofia Azizi

FRENCH
Isabel Begun, Adhithya Rajasekar

ALGEBRA 1
Eric Feldman, Adhithya Rajasekar

EXCELLENCE IN HONOR
Emma Gormley

MATHEMATICS
WILLIAM FONTANA SOCIAL STUDIES AWARD
Mike Greiner

GARY MERCER ART AWARD
Meghan French

PERFECT ATTENDANCE THREE YEARS
David Goldman, Eric Lee, Ella Kennedy, Heather Riefenhauser

OUTSTANDING SERVICE TO STUDENT ORGANIZATION
James Reilly, Sofia Azizi, Mathew Reguiero, Jared Aaronson

THE COUNSELOR'S AWARD
Ava Schneider, Olivia Doorley

OUTSTANDING ATHLETE
Michael Tosi, Caitlin Weimar

MOST OUTSTANDING P.E. STUDENT
Riley Nacke, Ashanti Davis

MOST OUTSTANDING BAND STUDENT
Cailee Tisinger

MOST OUTSTANDING ORCHESTRA STUDENT
Dana Ho

MOST OUTSTANDING CHORUS STUDENT
Matthew Klimek

LION'S CLUB KAY CHALK AWARD
Heidi Saleh, Gabby Quist

AMERICAN LEGION AWARD
Kaylah Harrington, Erin Clark

AMERICAN ASSN. OF UNIVERSITY WOMEN AWARD – SCIENCE AWARD
Allie Kempski, Helen Jacobson

CORTLANDT VOLUNTEER AMBULANCE CORPS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Isabel Begun, James Cavalieri

WOMEN BAND DIRECTORS' ASSOCIATION MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARD
Alexandra Kempski

SENORA MILLER AWARD
Julieta Antman

PTA AWARD
Brian Stabulas, Taylor Cyran, Tyler Ryan

NYS COMPTROLLER'S ACHIEVEMENT AWARD
Sydney Cowperthwait, Jessica O'Reilly

BMMS 20TH CENTURY LEARNER AND LIBRARY AWARD
Adhithya Rajasekar, Megan Rivera

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On Sunday, June 26, 2016, the Hendrick Hudson High School Graduating Class of 2016 gathered at the Performing Arts Center of SUNY Purchase for their commencement ceremony. On hand were High School Principal James Mackin, Assistant Principals Laura Neier and Tina Wilson, District Superintendent Joseph Hochreiter, Executive Director of Curriculum and Instruction Dr. Margaret Ruler, Executive Director of Educational Support Services Dr. Mathew Swerdloff, members of the Hendrick Hudson Board of Education, Hendrick Hudson faculty and staff, and families and friends.

Following a welcome by Ms. Wilson and the Pledge of Allegiance, the National Anthem was sung by a trio of graduating seniors: Cassandra Cavalieri, Katherine Johnson and Lexi Steinman. Mr. Mackin gave the opening address, followed by remarks by Member of the Class of 2016, Dvinder Singh. Salutatorian Daniel Kaufman then spoke to his classmates about the connections they’ve made over the years. “Take what you have experienced and keep it with you through college,” he said “Don’t lose touch with your best friend or your favorite teacher because it’s easier to forget.”

After a musical interlude, provided by the Senior Singers and accompanied by music teacher Erica Denler, Valedictorian Kennan Ewing stepped up to the podium to speak. “We’re all Sailors, but from here on out, life is going to take us in a bunch of different directions,” he said to his fellow classmates. “But through all of our journeys, there will be moments such as this that I hope you will take a second to really embrace…I want to congratulate you on this moment, and wish you the best in all of your moments to come.”

The 2016 graduates, in alphabetical order, are:

The mission of the Hendrick Hudson School District, a dynamic, innovative, and supportive educational community, is to ensure each student is an engaged, passionate learner who achieves his or her maximum potential and contributes to society. This is accomplished in a system characterized by:

- A culture of the highest expectations for all;
- A rigorous, articulated curriculum;
- Diverse, effective instructional strategies and resources;
- An educational environment that is challenging, creative, exploratory, accessible, and nurturing; and
- A fully engaged, supportive community.

Guy Van Benschoten, (Class of 1970), Ithaca Fire Department's longest-serving member, helped devise a successful rescue plan, utilizing a crane to rescue the Cargill salt mine workers, who were trapped below ground for more than ten hours.

Van Benschoten credits his Hendrick Hudson High School experience (academics, athletics and friendships) with building a strong foundation for his chosen profession and even with helping him devise the critical rescue plan. “Lessons learned as a young Sailor about preparation, commitment to excellence and teamwork came into play to help make a successful resolution to this incident.”

Retiring this year, after 41 years of service with the Ithaca Fire Department, Van Benschoten continues to reflect fondly on his years in the Hendrick Hudson School District. “Discipline, doing your best, striving for excellence and taking responsibility for your actions were all underpinnings of my academic and athletic experience at Hen Hud.”