

The Stony Brook School

Honors & Awards



May 2020

MAJOR FACULTY AWARDS

ESPOSITO/THORSTENN MEMORIAL FUND

This cash award, endowed by the Esposito and Thorstenn families, recognizes a faculty member who has challenged students to reach their potential.

Danielle Davey

KARL E. SODERSTROM FACULTY AWARD

This annual award is presented in recognition of commitment to community life and dedication to mentoring and nurturing students beyond the classroom.

Dustin Ramirez

DONN MEDD GAEBELEIN '45 FACULTY AWARD

This annual award is presented in recognition of outstanding commitment and dedication to curriculum development programs which integrate faith and learning.

Rachel Stone

THE D. BRUCE LOCKERBIE FACULTY AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN SCHOLARSHIP AND TEACHING.

The purpose of this endowed award, donated by the family and friends of D. Bruce Lockerbie, is to encourage excellence in scholarship, teaching and Christian school leadership. The recipient is one who demonstrates intellectual and scholarly interests within and outside of one's field, has the esteem of colleagues and students for the use of one's teaching gifts, and has a concern for the historic and current development of Christian education and for the school's contributing role in that development.

Stephen Stortz

EVELYN & MONROE DIEFENDORF '42 FUND, KIRK FACULTY DEVELOPMENT FUND CLASS OF '70 ENDOWED FUND FACULTY INCENTIVE GRANT FUND

In addition, throughout the year, we are pleased to be able to support the professional growth of our faculty through graduate coursework, attendance at professional seminars and grants for specific projects. The above four funds underwrite these opportunities.

CUM LAUDE SOCIETY

RECOGNITION OF CUM LAUDE HONOR CERTIFICATE RECIPIENTS

SEVENTH GRADE

James Glass
Isabel Guo
Joshua Henson
Sabrina Ann Hughes
Mindy Yoder

EIGHTH GRADE

Yanru Emma Chen
Aidan Riley
Alanna Wu

NINTH GRADE

Songyao Nathan Cheng
Carina Cristobal
Enoch Guo
Merry Ma
Ava McCormick
Marc Nichitiu
Nathan Stortz
Arjun Venkatesh
Yuan Zack Xu

TENTH GRADE

Yixuan CiCi Cheng
Kaidi Oscar Kang
Nicolas Knaupp
Faith Liberatore
Anne-Sarah Nichitiu
Gemma O'Neill
Robert Reuter
Hou Ning David Song
Tiger Winston

ELEVENTH GRADE

Ao Frank Cheng
Roberto Groza
Ryahn Khan
Xinyu Lucien Liu
Zijun Ella Liu
Haorun Bernie Luan
Fangzhong Barry Lyu
Fangyi Lexie Shi
Yilun Ellen Tong
Zhengyu Jerry Wan

RECOGNITION OF CLASS OF 2020 CUM LAUDE INDUCTEES

Tony Bi
Anya Caraianni
Jie Jerry Chen
Margaret DiRuggiero
Gilda DelBianco
Ziming Tom Gao
Runing Guan

Jiacheng William Hong
Leslie Kang
Deanna Kelly
Yueling Lisa Li
Zehao Randy Li
Sadhana Sridhar
Hannah Stortz

Anaelle Roc
Sirui Judy Tao
Jialei Wonder Wei
Jingtong Rosemary Wu
Jiacheng Wensan Yin
Yinchi Candy Zhou

Cum Laude Society, The Stony Brook School Chapter

Erik Johnson, President
David Hickey '08, Secretary
Tonja Detwiler '88

Anna MacDonald '97
Sean Riley

ACADEMIC AWARDS

BIBLE DEPARTMENT

MEDD AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Middle School Bible and 12th grade Bible.

7th Grade	Caroline Cho RJ Manners
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8th Grade	Brynn Moller Aidan Stone
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12th Grade	Deanna Kelly Anaelle Roc
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ENGLISH DEPARTMENT

TOWERS MEMORIAL AWARDS

Awarded for excellence in English.

7 th Grade	1st	Sabrina Ann Hughes
	2nd	Isabel Guo

8th Grade	1st	Aidan Riley
	2nd	Makachi Ani

9th Grade	1st	Marc Nichitiu
	2nd	Ava McCormick

10th Grade	1st	Faith Liberatore
	2nd	Ava Zhang

11th Grade	1st	Rhiannon Jeffrey
	2nd	Emily Gildersleeve

BROWN UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD

Awarded to the outstanding junior in English.

Ella Liu

C.S. LEWIS WRITING AWARD

Awarded for excellence in writing.

Judy Tao

THE JOHN-DAVID HINDLE HARDT '87 AP ENGLISH AWARD

Awarded to students in AP English who exemplify attentiveness to the written word, love of reading in community and passion for a clear and winsome style in writing.

1st	Hannah Stortz
2nd	Leslie Kang

WORLD LANGUAGE DEPARTMENT

CHINESE AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Chinese.

Chinese 1	Aubree Yoder
Chinese 2	Liam Henson
Chinese 3	Emily Gildersleeve
Chinese 4	Gemma O'Neill
Chinese 5	Margaret DiRuggiero

RUSSELL AWARDS

Awarded for excellence in Latin.

Latin I	Christine Li
Latin II	Frank Cheng
Latin III	Kate Von Savage
College-Level	Gilda DelBianco

ELLIS AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Spanish.

Spanish I	Makachi Ani
Spanish II	Ava McCormick
Spanish III	Cici Cheng
Spanish IV	Asad Arif
AP Spanish	Sadhana Sridhar

HISTORY DEPARTMENT

THE STARR AWARD

Awarded to the highest achieving students in grades 7-10 World History and Humanities.

World History 7	1st	Sabrina Ann Hughes
	2nd	Isabel Guo
World History 8	1st	Christine Li
	2nd	Andy Wang
Humanities 9	1st	Marc Nichitiu
	2nd	Hunter Magnuson
Humanities 10	1st	Carter Brett
	2nd	Laura Carey

COLLEGE-LEVEL ETHICS AND POLITICS AWARD

Awarded for excellence in College-Level Ethics and Politics.

David Song

COLLEGE-LEVEL HISTORY OF PHILOSOPHY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in College-Level History of Philosophy.

Jerry Chen

ADVANCED PLACEMENT MICROECONOMICS AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Microeconomics.

John Chang

THE JOHN E. METCALF PRIZE

Awarded to the top students in AP European History in recognition of consistently excellent academic preparation and achievement.

Frank Cheng

Ella Liu

ECKER AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP United States History.

Anya Caraiani

Leslie Kang

SCIENCE DEPARTMENT

MIDDLE SCHOOL SCIENCE AWARDS

Awarded for excellence in Science 7 and Science 8.

**7th Isabel Guo
James Glass**

**8th Aidan Riley
Alanna Wu**

MACLENNAN BIOLOGY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Biology.

Liam Henson

Ava McCormick

CHEMISTRY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Chemistry.

Hailey Lee

ANATOMY AND PHYSIOLOGY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Anatomy and Physiology.

Diana Barbacena

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PSYCHOLOGY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Psychology.

Sadhana Sridhar

ADVANCED PLACEMENT BIOLOGY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Biology.

Anne-Sarah Nichitiu

ADVANCED PLACEMENT ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Environmental Science.

Ellen Tong

ADVANCED PLACEMENT CHEMISTRY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Chemistry.

Lexie Shi

ADVANCED PLACEMENT PHYSICS C AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Physics C.

Frank Cheng

RENSSELAER AWARD

An award presented by the Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute of Troy, NY, to a member of the Junior Class who has displayed high achievement in the area of mathematics and science.

Roberto Groza

BAUSCH & LOMB AWARD

A medal presented by the Bausch & Lomb Optical Company of Rochester, NY, to the member of the junior class who has excelled in three years of science.

Barry Lyu

MATHEMATICS DEPARTMENT

DE CHIARA MATHEMATICS AWARDS

Awarded for excellence in Pre-Algebra, Algebra I, Geometry, and Algebra II.

Pre-Algebra	1st	Natalie Desire
	2nd	Sabrina Ann Hughes
Algebra I	1st	Isabel Guo
	2nd	Christine Li
Geometry	1st	Liam Henson
	2nd	Alanna Wu
Algebra II	1st	Yvonne Wang
	2nd	Kayla Anderson

MEHRLING ADVANCED MATHEMATICS AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Pre-Calculus, Linear Algebra, Multivariable Calculus Honors, AP Calculus and AP Statistics

Pre-Calculus	1st	Anne-Sarah Nichitiu
	2nd	Rainy Xing
Linear Algebra		Kelly Zhang
Multivariable Calculus Honors		Lucien Liu
AP Calculus	1st	Nathan Cheng
	2nd	Cici Cheng
AP Statistics		Frank Cheng

STEM DEPARTMENT

HONORS STEM AWARD

Awarded to a student in Honors Robotics or Honors 3D Modeling who demonstrates excellence in creativity, innovation, and the engineering process.

Ethan Magnuson

ADVANCED ENGINEERING INNOVATION & DESIGN AWARD

Awarded for excellence in Advanced Engineering Innovation & Design.

Cole Spier

ADVANCED PLACEMENT COMPUTER SCIENCE AWARD

Awarded for excellence in AP Computer Science.

Tim Wozny

CHOW ENGINEERING, INNOVATION, AND DESIGN HONORS

The Chow Technology award is provided each year by Ching Chuang-Chow '89 and Jonathan Chow '89 to a girl and/or boy in the Senior class in recognition of outstanding performance in STEM and a desire to continue their education and pursue a degree in the areas of Computer Science, Computer Engineering or Information Technology. The monetary award is given to offset college expenses.

Tom Gao

FINE ARTS DEPARTMENT

VISUAL ARTS AWARDS

KING AWARD

Awarded to emerging artists in Middle School Art, Studio Art, Photography, 3-D Studies, Videography and Graphic Design.

MS Art 7	Mindy Yoder	3-D Studies	Madison Logan
MS Art 8	Evelyn Apazidis	Videography	Yvonne Wang
Studio Art	Sherry Song	Graphic Design	Mint Zhai
Photography	Yana Grenz		

WAGNER AWARD

Awarded to students who, with desire, dedication and a high level of technical facility in Advanced Art, and Advanced Digital Art, exalt the qualities of truth, beauty, goodness and purity.

Advanced Art	Barry Lyu
Advanced Digital Art	Caitlin O'Neill

JONES ART AWARD

Awarded for excellence in art achievement throughout the year.

1st	Rosemary Wu
2nd	Lisa Li
3rd	Tony Dai

FRANK E. GAEBELEIN MEMORIAL ART AWARD IN PHOTOGRAPHY

Awarded to a senior for excellence in Photography.

Tom Gao

GEOFFREY T. WILMOTH '78 ADVANCED PLACEMENT ART AWARD

Awarded to each student who has completed the requirements of the Advanced Placement Art portfolio.

Tony Dai	Brandon Gicquel	Leo Hsu
Lisa Li	Ariel Metzler	Sam Painter
Lexie Shi	Kaibo Tang	Mckenzie Taylor
Grace Wang	Rosemary Wu	

PERFORMING ARTS AWARDS

HONOR ENSEMBLE AWARDS

Certificates presented to those students whose excellence in music performance was recognized by their selection for, All-State, and All-County Honor Ensembles (band, chorus and orchestra) and the LIFSA (Long Island String Festival) countywide string orchestras:

NYSCAME/SCMEA H.S. All-County (11th & 12th)

Chorus- **Judy Tao**
Orchestra- **Gilda DelBianco**

SCMEA Division II-All-County (7th & 8th)

Band **Andrew Wang**
Chorus **Nina Nazarov**
Alanna Wu

SCMEA Division III-All-County (9th & 10th)

Band **Marc Nichitiu**
Hunter Magnuson
Kiara Anderson
Chorus **Georgia Apazidis**
Orchestra **Jeryl Ho**
Kyla Anderson
Oliver Jiang

LISFA Participants

High School **Gilda DelBianco**

Wonder Wei
Sarah Wong
Jeryl Ho
Nicolas Knaupp
Junior High **Oliver Jiang**

LIU POST HONOR BAND
Hunter Magnuson

NYSSMA ALL STATE
Chorus **Judy Tao**
Orchestra **Gilda DelBianco**

SBS ENSEMBLE AWARDS

Awarded in recognition of exceptional achievement or contribution in Middle School Chorus, Instrumental Chamber Ensembles, Chamber Orchestra, Concert Choir, and Chamber Singers.

Middle School Chorus:	Achievement- Sabrina Ann Hughes	Contribution- Parisa Carrano
7-9 Instrumental Ensemble	Achievement- Sean Beaver	Contribution- Jeremy Ryu
Chamber Orchestra:	Achievement- Hunter Magnuson	Contribution- Emman Ajewole
Concert Choir:	Achievement- Nikki Carlo	Contribution- Laura Carey
Chamber Singers:	Achievement- Sam Painter	Contribution- James Liao

RUSSELL-WILLIAMS SENIOR MUSIC AWARD

Awarded to two seniors in recognition of outstanding musicianship and contribution in the area of music:

Musicianship—**Gilda DelBianco**
Contribution —**Wonder Wei**

SCMEA (Suffolk County Music Educators Association) SENIOR MUSIC AWARD

A \$100 scholarship awarded to a graduating senior for outstanding musicianship, service, scholarship, performance, and contribution.

Diana Barbacena

NYSCAME (New York State Council of Administrators in Music Education) SENIOR MUSIC AWARD

A \$100 scholarship awarded to a graduating senior for outstanding musicianship, service, scholarship, performance, and contribution.

Judy Tao

DRAMA AWARDS

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution to the Theatrical Arts Society

Katie Burke	Gilda DelBianco	Margaret DiRuggiero
Sam Painter	Aubree Yoder	

ATHLETIC AWARDS

FALL

MARVIN W. GOLDBERG BOYS CROSS COUNTRY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Riley Corcoran
Contribution	Zack Xu

LAURA J. STROM '74 GIRLS CROSS COUNTRY AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Sarah Wong
Contribution	Diana Barbacena

MICHAEL G. HICKEY GOLF AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Chris Kang
Contribution	Wolf Moller

FALL SAILING AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Steven Hardee
Contribution	Isabella Seminario

BRANDON STUCKEY BOYS SOCCER AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Owen Sobel
Contribution	Brandon Gicquel

GIRLS SOCCER AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Sophia DiLavore
Contribution	Madison Logan

GIRLS SWIMMING AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Rebecca Crane
Contribution	Anya Caraiani

BUYERS GIRLS TENNIS AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Sadhana Sridhar
Contribution	Marta Bennett

VOLLEYBALL AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Elizabeth Robbins
Contribution	Leslie Kang

WINTER

TAFT BOYS BASKETBALL AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Owen Sobel
Contribution	Rex Eshirow

GIRLS BASKETBALL AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Niamh Scanlon
Contribution	Wura Obasanjo

BOYS SWIMMING AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Hunter Markowitz
Contribution	Steven Saraniero

NORMAN J. WIEDERSUM WRESTLING AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and contribution.

Performance	Eze Barrah
Contribution	Forest Kaplan-Walbrecht

THOMAS W. BROHARD, '25 WRESTLING AWARD

Named in honor of the SBS faculty member who is credited with bringing interscholastic wrestling to Long Island schools. This annual monetary award, endowed by Thomas W. Brohard III '65, the late John S. Cather '35 and Edith Cather, is given to offset the college expenses of a wrestler.

Adetona Adesina

THE BEAR BLANKET

The ultimate award for consistency and dedication to athletics at the Stony Brook School. Athletes who accumulate twelve points are awarded a blanket: 0.5 points for a junior varsity letter, 1 point for a varsity letter, 1 point for a postseason honor.

**Emmanuel Ajewole
Elizabeth Robbins
Diana Barbacena
Rebekah Detwiler
Brandon Gicquel**

**Leslie Kang
Wura Obasanjo
Colin Scanlon
Niamh Scanlon
Sarah Wong**

STUDENT LIFE AWARDS

SBS PARENTS ESSAY COMPETITION

The assignment for this year's annual essay competition, sponsored by *SBS PARENTS*, was to write a 750 to 1,000 word essay based on a quote from a list of four provided. Each anonymous essay was read and rated by 4 parent volunteers. Every grade level (7th-11th) qualifies for a 1st Place Scholarship award of a \$1000 tuition credit.

Isabel Guo Enoch Guo Faith Liberatore Andrew Tinaz

LAURA J. STROM '74 BROOKER AWARD

Awarded to one or more students who have best transitioned to life at Stony Brook.

Oscar Houseago Alexia Leca

JANE TAYLOR COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Awarded to a senior who exemplifies a commitment to community service.

Emmy Specht

METCALF PREFECT AWARDS

Awarded for excellence and creativity in the role of Prefect.

Anya Caraiani Margaret DiRuggiero Sam Painter

THOMAS AWARDS

Awarded for excellence in the Student "Workjob" Program.

Arden Madden Caleb Spreckels Harrison Dubroff
John Zhou Andy Liu Nick Chung

JERRY EDDY CHESS AWARD

Awarded for excellence in performance and/or excellence in contribution.

Bernie Luan

MAJOR SCHOOL AWARDS

VALEDICTORIAN(S) ANNOUNCEMENT

Ziming Tom Gao

Anaelle Nadia Roc

THE A. M. KINNEY, Jr. '39 ENDOWED AWARD

Awarded to three students who best exemplify the school's motto, "Character Before Career".

Amy Ninh

Lauren Shepherd

David Yoo

ROBYN LORCH MEMORIAL AWARD

Awarded to a senior or junior in appreciation for unselfish concern shown to classmates and for being a constructive influence within our School community.

Diana Barbacena

O. FLOYD JOHNSON '32 SCHOLAR/ATHLETE AWARD

Awarded for excellence in scholarship and athletics.

Sadhana Sridhar

AUGUSTITUS AWARD

Awarded in memory of Lt.. John W. Augustitus '63, Cum Laude, whose record at Stony Brook bespoke reliability, strength, and loyalty-all in his quiet Christian faith. This award goes to a young man or woman in the Cum Laude Society who most closely measures up to Lt. Augustitus' standards. The emphasis on this award is on deeds, exemplified by the fact that this award is endowed through Lt. Augustitus' own provision in setting aside a tithe from his Army insurance for SBS.

Margaret DiRuggiero

SENIOR CHRISTIAN LEADERSHIP AWARD

Awarded to the senior who has made the most significant contribution to the Christian life of the School.

Anaelle Roc

HARRISON AWARD

Awarded to the boy and girl in the senior class who, because of positive leadership, academic achievement, athletic and extracurricular contributions, have been the BEST ALL-AROUND STUDENTS in the class.

Emmanuel Ajewole

Leslie Kang

GAEBELEIN AWARD

Awarded to the boy or girl who has exerted the BEST INFLUENCE in the School.

Buomie Oruene

