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Hammondspport Central School District Newsletter

Congratulations Class of 2019!



From the Desk of Mr. Bower, Superintendent Although one of our smallest classes in numbers, the class of 2019 has always been one of our largest classes in terms of leadership and spirit! Hammondspport Central School is a special place and these students exemplify what makes us special. They are all great young men and women and I can't thank them enough for being great role models and demonstrating everyday what it means to be a Hammondspport LAKER! I would also like to thank the community of Hammondspport and the many alumni, families, and organizations that contributed to the awards that are detailed in the following pages. Our community is unbelievable in supporting all of our students and helping them maximize their potential after high school. Best of luck to the Class of 2019 as they head off into their next adventure! Thank you to all!!

On Friday evening, June 28, 2019, 26 seniors received diplomas at Hammondspport Central School. Class Valedictorian, Matthew Cole, and Salutatorian, Travis Raab, presented their departing addresses.

Mrs. Lynda Lowin and Mr. Richard Drain presented the Fred and Harriet Taylor Foundation Awards. There were 37 awards presented, totaling \$79,175.

The Roswell McDaniels American Legion Post #407 awarded **Hailey Ritter** and **Parker Watson** the American Legion Service Award for \$200. **Robert Stoeckel** and **Connor Wilson** received the American Legion Military Award for \$200.

The Julia B. & C. Arthur Niver Citizenship Award of \$300 and her name engraved on the Niver plaque was presented to **Judith Bramson**.

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The Clarence Taylor Winery Scholarships were established in 1980 in memory of Mr. Clarence Taylor. This year's recipient of a \$3,000 scholarship is **Nigel Snyder; Parker Watson, Jonah Wilkinson** and **Noah Wilkinson** received \$2,000.

The Hammondsport Community Scholarship Fund, started in 1959 with funds from an anonymous donor and continued today through private donations, awarded \$200 each to **Ariel Bard** and **Trever Welch**.



Jesse Bray, Matthew Cole (Val), Travis Raab (Sal)

The Robert H. Cole Sr. Memorial Award, recognizing a graduating senior with the highest average in Business Law, was given to **Judith Bramson** in the amount of \$1,250.

The Dr. John W. Keeler Scholarship was established to honor Dr. Keeler, a man who devoted his life to the medical profession and the Hammondsport Community. This year's recipient of \$1,000.00 was **Parker Watson**.

Desmond and Ellen McCann Scholarships are sponsored by the family in honor of their parents. The awards are given to students entering business, health or home-economics related fields. The \$300 scholarships were awarded to **Judith Bramson** and **Hailey Ritter**.

The John J. Southard Jr. Memorial Scholarship for a student entering the business field was established from contributions made by Mr. Southard's friends, fellow faculty members, and his family. This \$200 scholarship was awarded to **Colin Drain**.

The Glenda L. Wagner Memorial Award, established in memory of the high school office secretary was presented to **Jonah Wilkinson** and **Noah Wilkinson** for \$100.

The Horace and Helen Serrine Scholarship was established from the estate of Mr. Horace Serrine. It was his desire to promote education and recognize excellence. The recipient of a \$4,000 scholarship was **Matthew Cole**.

The Dellie-Mori/Louise Hunn Memorial Scholarship is given to a graduate or past graduate majoring in the nursing field or a related field. This year's recipients of \$600 each were **Pia Darcie Bacubac** and past graduate **Caleigh Hunn**.

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HCS Mission

The mission of the Hammondsport Central School District, a high-performing unique learning community, is to provide a dynamic, quality education to a close-knit and diverse population, and to ensure that all students are prepared to compete in an ever changing global society by challenging each student through superior, innovative educational opportunities while promoting responsible citizenship through strong character and moral development.

District Objectives

100% of our students will meet their graduation requirements.

100% of school community members will contribute to a safe, secure, student centered environment.

100% of students will meet proficiency with the continued goal of achieving mastery.

100% of the school community will rate the internal/external communications of the district as satisfactory.

Laker Lines is the official newsletter of the Hammondsport Central School District. It is distributed to all District residents. HCS Board of Education members include: Dennis Carlson, President; Rick Drain, Vice President; Carre Doyle, Kevin Bennett, and Lynda Lowin.

The Board meets the third Wednesday of each month in the Library of the Main Street School.
For more school information, visit our school website at: hammondsportcsd.org

Superintendent of Schools: Kyle Bower

Newsletter Editor: Makenzie Witter

The Barry Peters Music Award was presented to **Matthew Cole** for \$500.

The Raymond E. Donley Memorial Scholarship, honoring the former business teacher whose humor brought endless smiles to everyone, was presented to **Colin Drain** for \$200.

The George Lawrence Memorial Scholarship of \$2,000 was given to **Noah Wilkinson**.

The John T. Rogerson Jr. Scholarship was established by his family in memory of the former Hammondsport teacher. This year's recipient of \$500 was **Tea' Flynn**.

The Joseph F. Meade Sr. Memorial Science Award Scholarship for \$5,000 and the Meade Plaque was presented to **Travis Raab**.

The Joseph F. Meade Jr. Memorial Business Award Scholarship for \$5,000 was presented to **Noah Wilkinson; Colin Drain, Tea' Flynn** and **Jonah Wilkinson** received \$1,500.

The Mary Pizura Memorial Scholarship, established by her family to recognize a student entering the health care field, was given to **Pia Darcie Bacubac** and **Parker Watson** for \$250.



Senior High Academic Awards

The Academic Awards Assembly was held Friday, June 7, 2019 at Hammondsport Central High School. Presentation of awards was as follows:

The Hammondsport Alumni Association presented several awards to graduating seniors: The Valedictorian Award of \$500 was presented to **Matthew Cole**; the Salutatorian Award of \$500 was presented to **Travis Raab**; the Math Award of \$500 to **Parker Watson**; the Richard F. Krug Science Award of \$500 to **Tea' Flynn**; the Marion S. French English Award of \$500 to **Natalie Lowin**; the Moretti, Bidwell, & Magee Art Award of \$500 was presented to **Megan Allen**; the History Award of \$500 was presented to **Judith Bramson**; the Jan Ketchum Special Achievement Award of \$750 was presented to **Noah Wilkinson**.

Nigel Snyder received \$50 as the recipient of the Vine City Supply Technology Award. The Shirley's of Bath "Woody Shirley Memorial" Technology Award was presented to **Jacob Doyle** for \$40. The HESPA (Hammondsport Educational Support Personnel Association) Technology Award of \$100 was given to **John Wright**.

The Hammondsport Teachers Association presented awards to 9th and 11th graders for academic achievement. This year's 9th grade recipients of a \$25 Barnes and Noble gift card were **Danielle Bennett, Amelia Johnson** and **Preston McConnell**. The 11th grade recipients of a \$50 Barnes and Noble gift card were **Julia Bennett, Aubrie Cole** and **Gavin Ruddy**. The

following seniors received \$300 scholarships from the HTA: **Judith Bramson, Natalie Lowin, Jenna Tremaine, Tea' Flynn, Noah Wilkinson** and **Shelby Sherman**.

Five Star Bank Award for academic achievement were presented to **Nigel Snyder** and **John Wright** for \$50 each.

The Bausch & Lomb Honorary Science Award is given to a student who has attained high scholastic standing in the sciences. This year's recipient is **Julia Bennett**. The award is a Bronze medallion, free application and \$40,000 scholarship eligibility to the University of Rochester.

The Hammondsport Chamber of Commerce presented a scholarship award of \$250 to a graduating senior who has demonstrated volunteerism in school and community. The award went to **Noah Wilkinson**.

The Elias Carl Spanish Award of \$200 was given to **Tea' Flynn**.

The Hammondsport Women's Club Spanish Award was given to **Amanda O'Donnell** for \$200.

The Sam Pennise D.D.S. and Cinnamon Stick Outstanding Business Student award of \$100 was presented to **Jonah Wilkinson**, he also received the Outstanding Business Student plaque which is displayed in the school.

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From the Desk of Mr. Rounds, 7-12 Principal

Congratulations to the Class of 2019! The class members graduated on Friday, June 28th at an outdoor ceremony where they were conferred their diplomas and awards. Each member of the Class of 2019 is a person of quality and a fine representation of a Hammondsport student. I wish each the best and we know you will all make your mark on the world.

I am proud to announce that the Hammondsport Central School District was selected as one of only 30 districts in the state to join the NCREN (National Center for Rural Education Network). Inclusion in NCREN required a competitive application, phone interviews and a commitment to testing solutions to improve student attendance, student course work in college level courses and college enrollment. The network leverages the resources of Harvard University and the component school districts to test and embed research based best practices into the fabric of the school to continue to prepare students for success in their postsecondary goals, and maintain the district's high academic ranking.

Student schedules will be sent the first week in August and schedule changes can be made on August 21st and 22nd from 9:00a.m.-2:00p.m. Changes may also be made by emailing the school counselor, Mr. Derr at jderr@hammondsportcsd.org. **For all parents and students planning on purchasing school supplies for the upcoming school year, please note that will not be necessary.** The district has committed to downsizing and consolidating necessary student classroom supplies. Students will be provided the necessary supplies (binders, notebooks, pens, etc.) for each of their scheduled courses effective this school year. Reminder that fall athletics will commence on August 19th for both JV and Varsity, and modified sports will follow starting on September 3rd.

The J.S. Hubbs Business Award, recognizing interest and achievement in business courses was given to **Jonah Wilkinson** for \$200.

The Fred & Harriett Taylor Memorial Library Award was presented to **Travis Raab** for \$100.

The Pulteney Ladies Auxiliary Award for special achievement and citizenship went to **Nigel Snyder** in the amount of \$50.

The Raymond E. Donley Personality Award was given to **Noah Wilkinson**; his name will be engraved on the Raymond Donley plaque in the school.

The Wayne Fire Department Memorial Award was given to **Megan Allen** for \$500.

The ServU Federal Credit Union Award of \$100 was given to **Shelby Sherman**.

The Academic All-Stars Scholarship was given to **Judith Bramson** for \$100.

The Principal's Award for Academic Excellence recognized the following students for achieving high honor roll every quarter of 9th through 12th grade: **Matthew Cole, Travis Raab** and **Natalie Lowin**. This is a \$50 award.

The Clarkson University Achievement Award, offering a \$48,000 scholarship, was awarded to **Gavin Ruddy**. The Clarkson University Leadership Award, offering a \$60,000 scholarship, was given to **Julia Bennett**.

The Wells College 21st Century Leadership Award, offering \$40,000 for study at Wells, was presented to **Chelsey Curry** and **Amanda O'Donnell**.

The University of Rochester Frederick Douglas and Susan B. Anthony Humanities & Social Sciences Award, offering \$40,000 upon admission to U of R, was awarded to **Amanda O'Donnell**.

The University of Rochester Xerox Award for Innovation and Technology, with \$40,000 scholarship eligibility, was given to **Michael Beam Jr.**

The Helen Rubar Memorial Peace Scholarship, recognizing volunteer effort in all areas, was given to **Pia Darcie Bacubac** and **Noah Wilkinson**. They will be awarded \$500.

The University of Rochester George Eastman Young Leader Award, offering \$40,000 scholarship eligibility was given to **Aubrie Cole**.

The Triple "C" Award, recognizing character, courage, and commitment, was given to **Judith Bramson** and **Jonah Wilkinson**.

The Student Council Award of \$150 was given to **Judith Bramson**.

The Russell Sage College Recognition Award, honoring those who "lead, excel, and serve" was awarded to **Thomas Kressly, Mariah Bray** and **Aleah Ordway**, offering a \$20,000 scholarship eligibility.

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The Susan Schroeder Bethke Art Award, honoring a student pursuing a career in Art, was presented to **Sydney Austin**, in the amount of \$1,500.

The Mildred G. Para Memorial Scholarship awards a student pursuing a career related to family and consumer science. This year's recipient was **Megan Allen** for \$250.

The Bath Rotary Club Citizenship Award of \$1,500 each was given to **Parker Watson, Travis Raab** and **Natalie Lowin**.

The Office of the State Comptroller provided an Academic Excellence Award certificate for **Pia Bacubac** and **Noah Wilkinson**.

The Rochester Institute of Technology Computing Medal Award was presented to **Madison Wright** and **Michael Beam Jr.** They will receive an annual scholarship of \$7,000 if they attend RIT.

The Rochester Institute of Technology Innovation and Creativity Award was presented to **Aubrie Cole** and **Gavin Ruddy**. They will receive an annual scholarship of \$7,000 if they attend RIT.

The New York State Education Department Scholarship for Academic Excellence was presented to **Matthew Cole** for \$1,500, and to **Travis Raab** and **Jesse Bray** for \$500.

Perfect attendance awards were given to the following students: **Alyssa Crooks, Preston McConnell, Ethan Oram** and **Mariah Wakeman** in 9th grade; **Hanna Hagadone, Andrew Hill** and **Brianna Hill** in 10th grade; **Stacey Conger** and **Madison Wright** in 11th grade; **Nigel Snyder** and **Parker Watson** in 12th grade.

The Physical Education Fitness Awards were presented to **George Drake, Liam Kressly, Brianna Hill, Thomas Kressly** and **Brian Mitchell**.

The Patricia M. Beilby Memorial Scholarship recognizes a graduating senior who has excelled in the areas of athletics, sportsmanship, and academics. This year's recipient of \$200 was **Parker Watson**.

The Steuben County Veterans' Memorial awarded \$250 scholarships to the following seniors: **Judith Bramson, Colin Drain, Tea' Flynn, Travis Raab, Hailey Ritter, Jenna Tremaine, Parker Watson, Jonah Wilkinson** and **Noah Wilkinson**.

The Daughters of the American Revolution, through the Gu-Ya-No-Ga Chapter, presented an award of \$35 to **Judith Bramson**.

The Claude Stone Memorial Scholarship, sponsored by the

Hammondsport Ambulance Corps, was given to **Hailey Ritter** in the amount of \$250.

The Roberta Bailey Wambold Memorial Scholarship of \$750 was given to **Jenna Tremaine**.

The V.F.W. Webster Hill Conklin 1470 award of \$50 was given to **Connor Wilson**.

The Hammondsport Association of Teaching Assistants (HATA) presented a \$200 award to **Noah Wilkinson**.

The Jack Lisi Youth Award of \$1,500 was presented to **Jonah Wilkinson**.

The Semper Fidelis award was given to **Tea' Flynn**, and the USMC Scholastic Excellence Award was given to **Travis Raab**.

The Shaw Agency provided an award for Driver Education of \$250 to **Matthew Cole**.

The Hazel Nichiporuk Elementary Scholarship of \$200 was given to **Matthew Cole**.

The Jeani M. Carpenter Memorial Scholarship of \$1,000 was presented to **Jenna Tremaine**.

The Arthur Kelly Jr. Memorial Scholarship was given to, in the amount of \$1,000: **Tea' Flynn**, in the amount of \$250: **Alliyah Jensen, Parker Watson** and **Jonah Wilkinson**.

Certificates were awarded to the following students in their respective groups, honoring their commitment and dedication to that organization:

Academic All Stars: Megan Allen, Judith Bramson, Matthew Cole, Jacob Doyle, Austin Mead, Anya Brown, Maeve Frost, Andrew Hill, Michael Hurlburt and Logan Zimmerman.

Drama Club: Danielle Conley, Anya Brown, Gavin Ruddy, Natalie Lowin, Travis Raab, Amelia Johnson, Emma Thompson, Maeve Frost, Emily Sofio, Andrew Hill, Rorie Whitcomb, Amando O'Donnell, Jesse Bray, Pia Babucac, Julia Bennett, Matthew Cole, Mariah Bray, Michael Hurlburt, Emilee Hurd and Brian Mitchell.

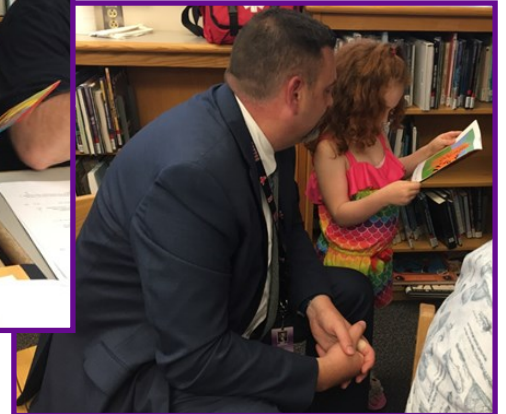
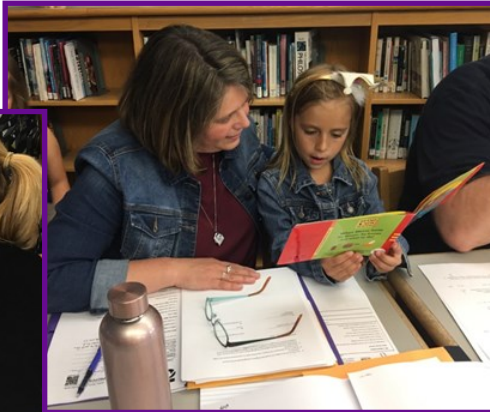
Student Council: Julia Bennett, Thomas Kressly, Aubrie Cole, Rorie Whitcomb, Pia Bacubac, Judith Bramson, Jacob Doyle, Liam Kressly, Michael Beam Jr. and Seth Madigan.

Competitive Vex Robotics: Lucas Hess, Zach Eaves, Travis Beers, Andrew Henning, Brock Underwood and Skylar Freville.

Celebrating our Growth as Kindergarten Readers with our Board of Education



Leah, Ada, Jace, and Arrah were among the Kindergarten students who attended our June Board of Education meeting to celebrate their reading growth by reading a favorite book to Mr. Bower and members of our Board. Thank you to Ms. McCarthy, Mrs. Chase, Mrs. Domanico, and Mrs. Bailey for attending and presenting on the growth of our students throughout the 18-19 school year!



Field Day and Curtiss Family Cook-Out



Levi sets up to kick as his classmates cheer him on during kickball!



Elizabeth pours water during her team's relay race as Mrs. Kellogg cheers...or laughs?



Third graders enjoy burgers and hot dogs cooked out by our cafeteria staff!



We surprised Mr. Bower with cake for his 50th birthday!



Maddox testing out the waterslide!

From the Desk of Mr. Koehler, Elementary Principal

The end of the school year is always a time to reflect and celebrate the many successes of our children and our school as a whole. Congratulations to the Class of 2025 on your graduation from sixth grade – you have certainly left a legacy at the Curtiss School and set the bar high for all of us, students and staff alike! I would like to also congratulate the class of 2031 on your kindergarten graduation. It was a pleasure to speak at both ceremonies, and I thank all of our teachers and staff for the hard work that went into planning these important celebrations for our students, as well as our families for being there to support our Leading Lakers as always.

In addition to grade level specific celebrations, we continue to prioritize ways to come together as an entire school family that cares for each other and celebrates our growth together. This year, we merged our traditionally separate PreK-2 and 3-6 field days into one school-wide event, our "Curtiss Family Cookout." Our entire school family spent time engaged in field day events outside, and came together for a cook-out lunch outside put on by our incredible cafeteria staff. We were thrilled to have multiple members of our high school staff join us as well. It was a special day to close out the school year, and I have a feeling we'll have a new Curtiss School tradition for years to come!

I would like to congratulate our Curtiss students and staff on being named a 2018-2019 Recognition School by the New York State Department of Education. As a staff, we continually emphasize the concept of team and family as we consider all of our students, truly our students. Both within grade level teams and across grade level teams, our teachers, teaching assistants, and aides are simply

relentless in working together to do what is best for all of our children. When a staff and school community that is truly "all in" come together to ensure that truly all students learn at high levels – special things can happen. We congratulate two of our family members who exemplified this commitment to children on their well-deserved retirement – Mrs. Betty Fitzpatrick and Mrs. Karol Palmer. You will be missed by us all!

As we celebrate our successes in the 2018-2019 school year, we are also planning to support successful transitions into the 2019-2020 school year. Grade level teams met collectively to form class lists that will best position students for success in their academic, social, and emotional growth next year. We held our annual "Moving Up Day" on the last day of school to provide an opportunity for our teachers and staff to get a head start on the relationship-building process that is so critical to student success. Our Marking Period 4 report cards continue to identify specific grade level standards that our children have grown in, and those that they have not mastered yet. We encourage our families to continue to use these tools to celebrate specific areas of success, and set goals to continue to work hard to grow moving forward.

A hard-working year certainly deserves a restful summer for all! It is my hope that the next two months are filled with beautiful weather, relaxation, and lots of fun memories with family and friends. As always, enjoy the highlights of our learning in this issue of Laker Lines, and we'll be back rested and recharged as we prepare to dream big, work hard, and fly high in 2019-2020!

Congratulations to the Classes of 2025 and 2031!



Mrs. Dickson speaks during our sixth grade graduation ceremony on Friday, June 21st. Congratulations sixth graders – you are well-prepared for success in high school and beyond!



Our Kindergarten graduates performed for their families to celebrate – they're going to first grade!

Curtiss School Recognized Among Top Schools in NYS

The Curtiss School has been named a 2018-2019 Recognition School by the New York State Education Department. The criteria for this recognition included data on both student achievement and chronic absenteeism from the 2017-2018 school year. The criteria met by the Curtiss School included high levels of student achievement on our grades 3-6 state assessments for all students, as well as a high rate of progress on these assessments in comparison to baseline data from the 2016-2017 school year. In addition, our school exceeded goals for decreasing chronic absenteeism among our students during the 2017-2018 school year. Chronic absenteeism is defined as missing 10% or more of total instructional days in a given school year. 562 elementary, middle, and high schools received this recognition across New York State, including two schools from our Greater Southern Tier BOCES region.



Relationships First: Moving Up Day – A Curtiss Tradition!



Mrs. Bower's soon-to-be fourth graders pause for a family picture.



Mr. P and Mrs. Bailey welcome their new second graders!



Megan and Kiara all smiles for third grade with Mrs. Studley!



Mr. G and his future fifth graders trading fishing stories from out on the lake!

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