



# News & Views

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## Congratulations Class of 2020

*We wish the graduates all the best as they begin this new chapter of their lives. We are tremendously proud of them all.*

The Lake George High School Class of 2020 experienced a send-off celebration like no other. Due to the global pandemic, the traditional celebratory events were reconfigured so the graduates could mark the occasion in-person, which was very important to the tight-knit group. The 84 graduates have the distinction of being the only class to graduate at the Elementary School's soccer field.



The Lake George Jr.-Sr. High School Class of 2020 Honor Group consists of (l.-r.): Juliana Yepes-Hoyos, Kylie Mann, Gabriella Marchello, Joseph Coccozza, Reya Singh, Tess Armstrong, Rachel Hunsicker, and Joshua Defayette, pictured with Jr.-Sr. High School Principal Francis Coccozza.

Lake George Jr.-Sr. High School proudly presents the Honor Group for the Class of 2020. These students represent the top 10 percent of their class. In addition to speaking at graduation, the Honor Students chose the graduation theme – “Persevering Against The Odds” – music, and charity for class contributions.

**Joshua Defayette**, son of Dennis and Nancy Defayette, was the vice-president of National Honor Society and member of French Honor Society and French Club. He participated in three sports during his senior year: cross-country running, nordic skiing, and track and field. Josh was the co-captain of his cross-country team his senior year, and the team won the League Championship meet and the Section II Class D title, allowing them to go to the NYSPHSAA state competition in November. He participated in an internship through the school's Career Exploration Internship Program (CEIP) to learn more about the field of education. He shadowed Fifth Grade Teacher Jeff Crotty and Seventh Grade Teacher Ryan Seymour. He was on the accelerated math and science track since seventh grade, taking AP Biology and AP Calculus AB his senior year. He also participated in all of the AP English and Social Studies courses provided by the high school. He has worked at Scotty's Lakeside Resort during the summer for four years and has plans to go back for a fifth year this summer. Following graduation, Josh will continue his studies in mathematics and secondary education at Siena College.

**Joseph Coccozza**, son of Francis and Laura Coccozza, was the president of the National Honor Society and is a National Merit “commended student.” In school, he was active in Jazz Band, Drumline, and took several AP classes and independent studies to further challenge himself. He ran track and cross country and participated in nordic skiing for his entire high-school career. Joe was a captain for all three of these teams, and this season, the cross-country team placed first and second at sectionals while the nordic team finished second at sectionals. Individually, he won the Adirondack League Championships for cross country and qualified for states in both cross country and nordic skiing. Joe is looking forward to continuing his education in the fall at Vassar College.

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**Tess Avery Armstrong**, daughter of Stephen and Karen Armstrong, was secretary for Spanish Honor Society and a member of National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Effective Schools, and Anti-Bullying Committees. Tess was on an accelerated math and science track since seventh grade and took numerous Advanced Placement (AP) courses. She earned Principal's List for every quarter since seventh grade and completed her New York State Seal of Biliteracy. Tess volunteered with Special Olympics, the Prospect Center for Disabilities, Crandall Public Library's "Fun with Spanish" Children's Program, the 6th grade-10th grade Mentoring Program, KinderSeniors, and the PTSO Fall Festival. Throughout middle and high school, Tess was a part of the cross-country running team and earned a spot at sectionals as a freshman. During her senior year, she managed the varsity teams and accompanied the boys' team to States. Each summer for the past four years, she worked at Gift World in Lake George, and she hopes to work at a local bakery this summer. Following graduation, Tess will attend the Culinary Institute of America to study baking and pastry arts.

**Rachel Victoria Hunsicker** is the daughter of Tim and Sue Hunsicker. She was president of Spectrum Club, Senior High Art Club, Tri-M Music Honor Society, and Astronomy Club. She was a member of Senior National Honor Society, French National Honor Society, French Club, the Rock Solid Mentoring Program, Student to Student peer counseling, the Strategic Planning and Review Committee, the Superintendent's Student Ambassador Committee, Senior Select Chorus, Vocal All-County Chorus, Vocal NYSSMA, Jr.-Sr. High Band as a flutist, Castleton Select Choir, and Drama Club. In addition, she was involved with the school play for the last four years and had a supporting role in "Be More Chill." Throughout her high-school career, Rachel served as class representative and secretary. She participated in the BOCES Student Leadership Conference and attended UCONN's True Colors conference. She was treasurer and editor of the yearbook and an editor of the Lake Take School Newspaper. Rachel chaired the Diversity Committee's inaugural Eyes on the World Festival. Since eighth grade, Rachel was on the Bowling Team, and for the last two years, she served as co-captain. She also volunteered with Youth Commission Bowling. Rachel attended the American Legion Auxiliary Empire Girls State and participated in the Rotary Youth Leadership Awards (RYLA) program, Youth Peace Summits, and founded and chaired the Being Human Project. Rachel has been an active member of Caldwell Presbyterian Church, serving as their first-ever Junior Deacon. She worked as a faculty assistant at SUNY Adirondack for their summer enrichment program. Rachel was a 2020 recipient of the "Post-Star" Teen Excellence Award and was named one of 10 scholastic award recipients for 2020 by the Capital District Sports Women of the Year. This fall, Rachel will be attending Colgate University to study international relations, economics, and gender studies.

**Kylie Mann**, daughter of Jeff and Joanne Mann, was enrolled in the New Visions Health Careers Exploration program. She served as the president of the Varsity Club, and was a member of the Spanish National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Captain's Leadership Council, and National Honor Society. Kylie volunteered with multiple food drives, Booster Club concessions, the Lake George Youth Commission Soccer Program, the Wait House, and Big Brothers Big Sisters. She received multiple citizenship awards for her service and character. As a senior, Kylie was captain of the girls' varsity soccer team, for which she started for all five years,

and she currently holds the record for most varsity games played. Kylie was named to the soccer All-State Team her senior year, the All-Section Team her sophomore and senior year, and the All-League Team her sophomore through senior years. She played with Capital United Soccer Club for nine years, winning four consecutive league championships and reaching the top 40 teams in the nation. Kylie will continue to play soccer for SUNY Geneseo as she pursues a degree in biology and her goal of becoming a Doctor of Medicine.

**Gabriella Marchello** is the daughter of Mary and John Marchello and granddaughter of Lucille and Joseph Datello. She was vice-president of the Effective Schools Committee and Spanish Honor Society and was a class representative. She was a member of the National Honor Society, Spanish Club, Chemistry Club, and Anti-Bullying Committee. As a senior, Gabriella was captain of the girl's varsity soccer team and was named Adirondack League Player of the Year. She was honored on the Class C All-State team in her sophomore, junior, and senior years. Gabriella currently holds the Lake George Girls Varsity Soccer records for career goals, career assists, career points, most assists season, and most goals scored in a season. She also played varsity basketball and tennis and performed on a premier soccer club since 2010. Gabriella volunteered at Caldwell Presbyterian Church summer camp, Sacred Heart Church, Lake George Elementary School, Youth Soccer, Big Brothers Big Sisters, KinderSeniors, and community dinners. She is employed year-round at Charlies' Bar and Kitchen. In the fall, Gabriella will further her education at Clarkson University. She plans to continue her soccer career.

**Reya Singh**, daughter of Bhakar and Kusum Singh, was the secretary of National Honor Society, treasurer for Model OAS, and a class representative for two consecutive years. She was a member of French Honor Society, French Club, Effective Schools Committee, and Anti-Bullying Committee. She played soccer throughout her high school career and tennis for three years. Reya volunteered for many programs, such as the 6th grade/10th grade Mentor Program, KinderSeniors, PTSO Fall Festival, and the Holiday Fair. She pursued an accelerated math and science track since seventh grade, took multiple AP courses, and maintained the Principal's List for every quarter of high school. In the fall, Reya plans to major in biology at the University of Albany.

**Juliana Yepes-Hoyos**, daughter of Enrique and Monica Yepes-Hoyos, was secretary of French Honor Society, secretary for the senior class, secretary for the Effective Schools Committee, and a member of the National Honor Society and Anti-Bullying Committee. She was a two-sport athlete, competing on the varsity tennis team and the varsity soccer team that won the Adirondack League Championship last fall. Juliana took AP classes throughout her high-school career including AP biology, AP calculus, two AP English classes, and two AP history classes. Juliana participated in a 3-year science research program through the University at Albany in which she studied the effects of hydrogen peroxide and charcoal on tooth enamel. With this study, she won first place in the Chemistry Division at the Junior Science and Humanities Symposium. She volunteered at Sacred Heart Church, Crandall Library for "Fun with French/Spanish," and Lake George Elementary School for various events like holiday fairs and festivals. This fall, Juliana will attend the University at Albany to study biology on a pre-dental track.

## Class of 2020 Plans After Graduation

Elizabeth Alexander .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Tess Armstrong ..... Culinary Institute of America  
 Aaliyah Artis ..... Employment  
 Scottie Austin ..... Employment  
 Thomas Kaleb Barber.....Schenectady Cty. Comm. College  
 Colleen Barrett .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Devon Battersea-Stephens.....U.S. Army  
 Devin Belonga .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Justin Blanco ..... Cedarville University  
 Megan Briggs .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Jordan Brophy-Palsson ..... Employment  
 Kevin Bull ..... Broward College  
 Sara Bunalski ..... Employment  
 Casey-Lynn Burbo .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Michael Burrows ..... Rochester Institute of Technology  
 Nicholas Cardenas .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Austin Carmody ..... Employment  
 Elisabeth Caron .....University at Buffalo  
 Marc Casabonne ..... University of Vermont  
 Shane Clarke .....St. Lawrence University  
 Makayla Coalts ..... SUNY Fredonia  
 Joseph Coccozza ..... Vassar College  
 Carly Collins.....SUNY Adirondack  
 Carter Collins .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Kameron Collins .....SUNY Plattsburgh  
 Joshua Condon ..... Employment  
 John Conte .....The College of Saint Rose  
 Anthony Costello.....SUNY Adirondack  
 Dominic Crescente ..... Castleton University  
 Brighton Daniger..... SUNY Oneonta  
 Joshua Defayette..... Siena College  
 Aileen Dinu.....The College of Saint Rose  
 Lilyan Doltz.....SUNY Adirondack  
 Cameron Duers ..... Employment  
 Lanie Felt .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Michael Fowler .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Charles Fuller .....Alfred State College of Technology  
 Juan Garcia .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Justin Gitto ..... Castleton University  
 Jordan Gregory .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Benjamin Hipp ..... Employment  
 Adriana Hochberg ..... University of North Georgia  
 Colby Hoolihan ..... Hudson Valley Community College  
 Patrick Huber .....SUNY College of Env. Science & Forestry  
 Rachel Hunsicker..... Colgate University  
 Seth Jardine .....Church Mission  
 Maximilian Jenne ..... Hudson Valley Community College  
 Matthew Jensen .....The College of Saint Rose  
 Makayla Johnson ..... SUNY Oneonta

Aswad Khan .....SUNY Fredonia  
 Ethan Knauf.....University of New Hampshire  
 Mara Knoop.....SUNY Adirondack  
 Morgan Lafontaine.....Penn State University  
 Paul Lindsay .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Morgan MacDermid.....SUNY Adirondack  
 Melanie Maltbie..... Sacred Heart University  
 Gabriel Mann ..... Hudson Valley Community College  
 Kylie Mann ..... SUNY Geneseo  
 Gabriella Marchello .....Clarkson University  
 Tiernan Mase ..... Employment  
 Christina Mastrodomenico .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Jenna Matthews ..... SUNY Cortland  
 Colin McCabe ..... Employment  
 Lisa Millington..... Employment  
 Lauren Morton .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Maxim Paszko ..... Castleton University  
 Forrest Perket .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Ava Pushor.....Clarkson University  
 Hunter Rounds ..... SUNY Oswego  
 Colby Seguljic..... University of Connecticut  
 Olivia Seh ..... Employment  
 Jake Shearer .....U.S. Navy  
 Reya Singh ..... University at Albany  
 Jaime Smith..... University at Albany  
 Matthew Smith .....SUNY Adirondack  
 Owen Sutton.....SUNY Adirondack  
 Nicholas Taylor ..... Hudson Valley Community College  
 Jack Unkauf.....U.S. Navy  
 Carter Vidnansky ..... Herkimer College  
 Evan Weihing ..... SUNY Binghamton  
 Dalia Wick..... Hudson Valley Community College  
 Brandon Willard ..... Hudson Valley Community College  
 Damion Wright..... Employment  
 Juliana Yepes-Hoyos..... University at Albany







# Congratulations to

Lake George Jr.-



Elizabeth Alexander



Tess Armstrong



Aaliyah Artis



Scottie Austin



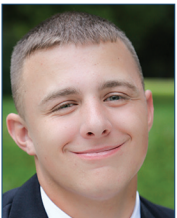
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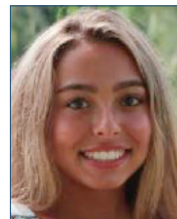
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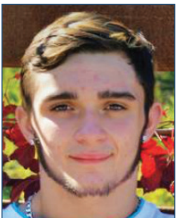
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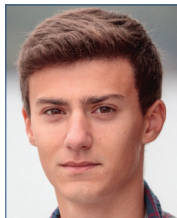
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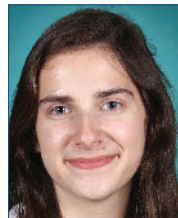
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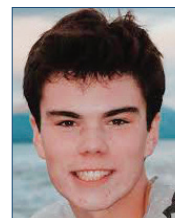
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Sr. High School



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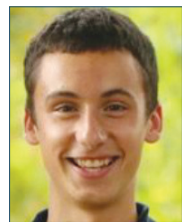
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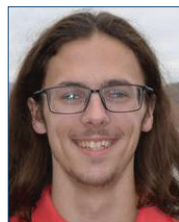
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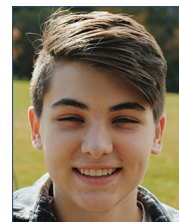
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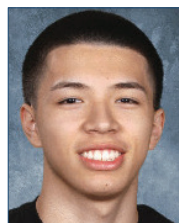
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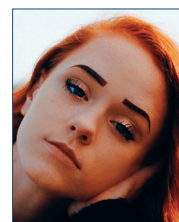
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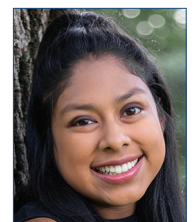
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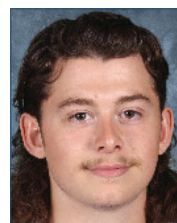
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Juliana Yepes-Hoyos

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# Students Earn Awards and Scholarships for Achievement

## JUNIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS 2020

### CLARKSON UNIVERSITY AWARDS:

Clarkson Leadership Award ..... Rachel Jaeger

Clarkson Achievement Award ..... Elizabeth Radyn

ELMIRA COLLEGE KEY AWARD ..... Katherine O'Donnell

LE MOYNE COLLEGE HEIGHTS AWARD ..... Alice Fox

ST. MICHAEL'S COLLEGE BOOK AWARDS ..... Vincenzia Fasulo, Megan Gianchetta

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
COMPUTING MEDALS ..... Carson Bruening, Madeline Gorey

ROCHESTER INSTITUTE OF TECHNOLOGY  
CREATIVITY & INNOVATION AWARD ..... Madeleine Biles, Ethan Hill

### UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER AWARDS

FREDERICK DOUGLASS AND SUSAN B. ANTHONY  
AWARD IN HUMANITIES AND SOCIAL SCIENCES ..... Madelaine Unkauf

EASTMAN YOUNG LEADERS AWARD ..... Dylan Seale

XEROX AWARD FOR INNOVATION  
AND INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY ..... Anthony Richichi

BAUSCH AND LOMB AWARD ..... Demeter Burns

RENSSELAER POLYTECHNIC INSTITUTE MEDAL AWARD ..... Carson Bruening

RUSSELL SAGE COLLEGE STUDENT SAGE AWARD ..... Madeleine Biles

ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY BOOK AWARD ..... Demeter Burns

WELLS COLLEGE, 21st CENTURY LEADERSHIP AWARD ..... Maya Bruno

## SENIOR CLASS SCHOLARSHIP AWARDS

### BAKER FUNERAL HOME, SOBERING THOUGHTS AWARDS

..... Paul Lindsay, Reya Singh

BEN OSBORN MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIPS ..... Nicholas Cardenas, Paul Lindsay

NANCY STANNARD SCHOLARSHIP IN MEMORY OF  
GEORGE & ZEKE STANNARD AND OS & ROSE KORNOFF ..... Joshua Defayette

GLENS FALLS NATIONAL BANK SCHOLARSHIP ..... Joseph Cocozza

DAVID L. FISHER AWARD ..... Makayla Coalts

HOLIDAY INN RESORT TURF OF LAKE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP AWARD .....  
..... Tess Armstrong

### L.G.H.S. ALUMNI ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS

ALAN & MARY PIKE ENDOWMENT ..... Mara Knoop, Gabriella Marchello

### LAKE GEORGE AMERICAN LEGION

AUXILIARY POST 374 SCHOLARSHIPS ..... Nicholas Cardenas, Paul Lindsay

### LAKE GEORGE SONS OF THE AMERICAN LEGION

POST 374 SCHOLARSHIP ..... Michael Burrows

LAKE GEORGE AMERICAN LEGION POST SCHOLARSHIP .....  
..... Nicholas Cardenas, Paul Lindsay

### LAKE GEORGE EDUCATION ASSOCIATION AWARDS

Future Educator Awards ..... Makayla Coalts, Joshua Defayette  
Citizenship Award ..... Jenna Matthews

L.G.C.S. P.T.S.O. SCHOLARSHIPS ..... Tess Armstrong, Joseph Cocozza,  
..... Charles Fuller, Aswad Khan, Colby Seguljic

L.G. STAFF ASSOCIATION SCHOLARSHIPS ..... Christina Mastrodomenico,  
..... Lisa Millington, Colby Seguljic

### LAKE GEORGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Community Service Scholarship in Memory of Garry Grant ..... Paul Lindsay

### LAKE GEORGE VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT LADIES AUXILIARY

Community Service Scholarships in Memory of Marie McKinney .....  
..... Patrick Huber, Mara Knoop

NICO'S HOUSE SCHOLARSHIP ..... Nicholas Taylor

### NORTH QUEENSBURY VOLUNTEER FIRE COMPANY LADIES AUXILIARY AWARDS

J. Clark Towse Memorial Scholarships ..... Michael Burrows, Charles Fuller,  
..... Paul Lindsay, Jaime Smith

Community Service Award ..... Charles Fuller

### ROTARY CLUB OF LAKE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIPS

Service Awards ..... Aaliyah Artis, Michael Burrows, Marc Casabonne,  
..... Charles Fuller, Rachel Hunsicker, Patrick Huber, Mara Knoop,

..... Paul Lindsay, Gabriella Marchello, Hunter Rounds,

..... Jaime Smith, Evan Weiing, Juliana Yepes-Hoyos

### ST. ISAAC JOGUES COUNCIL 11428 KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS AWARDS

Scholarship Award In Memory of George P. Ryan ..... Gabriella Marchello

Merit Scholarships ..... Michael Burrows, Joseph Cocozza

Columbiettes Awards ..... Makayla Coalts, Gabriella Marchello

## LAKE GEORGE SCHOLARSHIP ASSOCIATION AWARDS

### L.G. National Senior Honor Society Scholarships

Scholarship ..... Joshua Defayette

Leadership ..... Joseph Cocozza

Service ..... Charles Fuller

Ed Murphy Memorial Scholarships ..... Charles Fuller, Mara Knoop, Evan Weiing

Fonda Howard Culinary Scholarship ..... Tess Armstrong

Chief Edward Litwa Memorial Scholarship ..... Charles Fuller

Lake George Tourism and Hospitality Scholarship ..... Tess Armstrong

Clark Perkett Memorial Scholarship ..... Tess Armstrong

James Powell Memorial Scholarship ..... Thomas Barber

Vivienne Eloise Rosenbrock Memorial Scholarship ..... Joshua Defayette

Margaret Sandora Memorial Scholarship ..... Makayla Coalts

Randal Madison Memorial Scholarship ..... Gabriella Marchello

Jane & Alger Mason Memorial Scholarship ..... Joseph Cocozza

Madeline Mead Memorial Scholarship ..... Juliana Yepes-Hoyos

Marion G. Church Memorial Mathematics Scholarships ..... Michael Burrows,

..... Elisabeth Caron, Joshua Defayette, Mara Knoop,

..... Ava Pushor, Colby Seguljic, Evan Weiing

Poodles Hanneford Scholarships ..... Justin Gitto, Aswad Khan

## Lake George Scholarship Association Winners

Tess Armstrong, Michael Burrows, Elisabeth Caron, Shane Clarke, Makayla Coalts, Joseph Cocozza, Joshua Defayette, Charles Fuller, Patrick Huber, Rachel Hunsicker, Aswad Khan, Ethan Knauf, Mara Knoop, Morgan Lafontaine, Paul Lindsay, Morgan MacDermid, Melanie Maltbie, Kylie Mann, Gabriella Marchello, Jenna Matthews, Ava Pushor, Hunter Rounds, Colby Seguljic, Reya Singh, Evan Weiing, Juliana Yepes-Hoyos

### Scholarship Totals for June 2020:

Junior Class (potential) college scholarships: ..... \$883,000

Senior Class scholarships: LG Scholarship Association: ..... \$93,695

Senior Class scholarships: Other organizations: ..... \$28,805

Total Senior Class scholarships: ..... \$122,500

Grand Total of all scholarships: ..... \$1,005,500





## A Special Moving Up Ceremony

On the evening of June 17, 2020, our sixth-grade students experienced a once-in-a-lifetime Moving Up Ceremony. With social distancing protocols in place due to COVID-19, the ceremony was a unique mix of tradition and creativity. It was a festive evening with music and bubbles as students and their families attended the “drive in” style ceremony in their vehicles. It was an evening of many firsts, including the first Moving Up Ceremony to be held outside, and the first to conclude with a car caravan parading around the campus.

The Class of 2026 also has the distinction of being the first class to run Air Band, the first class to have student representatives on the PTSO, and the first class to have a student driven graphic arts club, to name a few. Elementary Principal James Conway remarked, “Continue to be a class of firsts. When you leave LGES use your creativity and imagination to come up with ideas that are the first to ever happen.”

The ceremony concluded with each student’s name announced, garnering many enthusiastic car honks from the audience. A video of the ceremony can be viewed on [www.lkgeorge.org](http://www.lkgeorge.org).

## LGES Named Recognition School

The Lake George Central School District is proud to announce that Lake George Elementary School has earned the distinction of being a 2019-2020 New York State “Recognition School.”

“Recognition Schools are the highest performing and rapidly improving schools across the state,” said Interim NYS Education Department Commissioner Shannon Tahoe. “Recognition Schools across the state demonstrate the relentless commitment of teachers, administrators, staff and parents, without whom this growth would not have been possible.”

Only 13% of the schools in New York State achieved this status.

“These are exemplary public schools that demonstrate that all students can achieve at high levels with the right support and resources,” said NYS Board of Regents Chancellor Betty A. Rosa. “Recognition Schools help to ensure equity for all children across New York State. The Regents and I are grateful to all of the teachers and administrators who, in concerted effort with their school communities, are guiding students toward success.”

Lake George Elementary School was also recognized as a Leader In Me Lighthouse school in April 2019 for its extensive leadership program and a Leader In Me Academic Honor Roll School in November 2019 for its high academic achievement.

## It Started With a Postcard

Due to the coronavirus, Lake George sixth graders had to experience Boston from afar this year.

“We knew our 6th graders were missing out on a lot, so we wanted to make it really special for them,” said Sixth Grade Teacher Mrs. Catarelli.

All the students received a postcard in the mail, donated from the USS Constitution, inviting them on the field trip. This wasn’t a typical virtual field trip that showed videos of the locations; it was an interactive Google Meet with fun activities such as “Boston Bingo.”

The day before the “field trip,” the whole 6th grade team – including Mr. Butler, Mr. Lewis, Mrs. Lynch, Mrs. O’Brien, Mrs. Weeks, and Mrs. Catarelli

– hand-delivered a field trip bag to almost every student’s house. Inside the bags were all the materials necessary for the activities, along with a field trip shirt courtesy of the PTSO and other Boston-themed goodies that teachers had donated from destinations in Boston.

The 6th graders were split into three groups for three Google Meets, each with its own Boston activity. For instance, in Boston Bingo, Mrs. O’Brien shared background information when a Boston location was called out. One of the other activities involved decoding a secret message from one of the original Sons of Liberty, who was likely a spy for the British.



## It's a Great Time to Read

Lake George Librarians have a summer full of reading fun planned for students K-12. Both Mrs. Crossman and Mrs. Olson have implemented weekly curbside pickup of “Warrior Boxes” of books that are personalized for each reader. We encourage you to check out the library websites for the calendar of events and participate in virtual summer reading circles and more!



## Board of Education:

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Katie Bruening  
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## Election Results

Thank you to all who voted by absentee ballot during these unprecedented times. The annual budget for the 2020-21 school year was approved, along with the bus proposition.

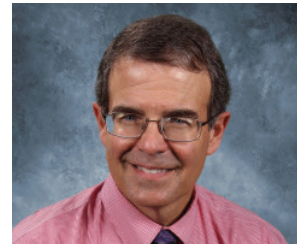
"On behalf of the Board of Education, students, faculty, staff, and administration, I would like to thank the residents of the Lake George Central School District for approving the budget and bus proposition. Your support is deeply appreciated," said Superintendent Rutnik. "I would like to congratulate Rosemarie Earl and Jeannine Bieber for being elected to the LGCSD Board of Education, and I would also like to thank outgoing Board Members Tim Collins and Tom Seguljic for their years of service to the district."

At the recent reorganizational meeting, the Board re-elected Mrs. Tricia Connor Biles as president and elected Ms. Maryanne MacKenzie as vice president. To read more about each board member, please go to [www.lkgeorge.org](http://www.lkgeorge.org).

## Best Wishes To Our Retirees!



**Kathleen Aspland**  
Special Education Teacher  
19 Years of Service



**Gregory Luckenbaugh**  
English Teacher  
30 Years of Service



**Susan Moosbrugger**  
Teaching Assistant  
27 Years of Service



**Lindy Sicard**  
Administrative Assistant  
21 Years of Service

**Lisa Lindsay**, Elementary Teacher, 32 Years of Service  
**Susan Mason**, Music Teacher, 31 Years of Service  
**Patricia Urtz**, Bus Driver, 24 Years of Service