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### THE TOWSON PRIDE

On a bi-weekly basis, we acknowledge the outstanding efforts of our staff and students. We encourage our staff to submit accolades for recognizing the dedication of others. The accolades appear on the first pages of our newsletter. As contributing members to Towson High School, we represent 5 STAR Generals.

We appreciate our staff and students for demonstrating leadership, citizenship, scholarship, and integrity. If you would like to submit an accolade for one of our students staff members for the great work that they do within our community, please submit the information to cdmino@bcps.org and cc dlauten@bcps.org. Help up recognize the outstanding efforts of our students and staff.

### STARS to Colin Poag

Year Scholar in the recent National Cyber Scholar in the recent National Cyber Scholarship Competition, making him eligible for a \$2,500 scholarship. Congrats Colin!

STARS to THS Senior, Isabelle Zhang for winning 1st place (and a \$3,000 prize) for the Stop the Bleed Scholarship.

★ STARS to Dr. Williams, BCPS Superintendent and Mr.
Mustipher, BCPS Executive Director for taking the time to meet with students.

STARS to Alex M. for assisting the principal with technology.

★ STARS to Catherine Damon and Brian Tregakis for their leadership with the senior class.

STARS to the Music and Fine Arts Department for showcasing students.

STARS to Mary Williams, Simon Briggs, Donna Lauten, and Nicole Bridges for their efforts with planning the Senior Awards.

X STARS to Kevin
Dalsimer, Nicole Bridges, Kim Culbertson,
Linda McShane, Catherine Damon, Teresa
Needer, Andrew Hinrichs, Cyndi Greenberg,
James Chrismer, Jonathan Salvino, Julie
Kromsky, Courtiney
Jacobs, and Officer Cardano for their efforts with the senior class celebration.

X STARS to Jackie Flynn, Tom Blair, Jeff Brotman, Catherine Damon, Brad Eastham, Cyndi Greenberg, Brian Tregaskis, Joanne Pachilis, Courtinev Jacobs, Donna Lauten, Kirsten Surak, Matt Jochmans, Matt Ridge, Felicia Schrader, David Rhen, Scott Olson, **Bruce Ickes, Nick Mey**ers, Ben Cohen, Kellie Alexander, Bill Buick, Debbie Richmond, and Holly West for assisting with the Senior Graduation Rehearsal and Collection Day.

STARS to Brad
Eastham for assisting with traffic for the theater production.

STARS to Cyndi Greenberg, Nicole Bridges, and Jeff Brotman for their efforts with graduation. STARS to Cyndi Greenberg for serving as Graduation Coordinator.

STARS to Nicole Poling and Noah Perkinson for being recognized as McCormick Unsung Heroes.

STARS to Kim Culbertson and Erika Nash for their thoughtfulness.

★ STARS to Alice Kerns, Julia Kallaur, Zhengya Nie and Elliott Morton for representing the Class of 2021.

★ STARS to Jenna Zava for providing insight for our graduation speakers.

STARS To all students in the Class of 2021!!!

STARS to Ms. Greenberg for all her planning and management of this year's graduation ceremonies.

STARS to Ms. Culbertson for keeping close track of attendance data and helping staff follow related procedures as we close out a challenging academic year.

STARS to Tom Bannon for completing his masters at Goucher and getting his teacher certification.



Kellie Alexander

Curt Alford

Nicole Bridges

Simon Briggs

Jeff Brotman

Bill Buick

Catherine Damon

**Brad Eastham** 

Jackie Flynn

Cyndi Greenberg

Lauren Hanley

**Courtiney Jacobs** 

Matt Jochmans

Julie Kromsky

Sydney Marks

Scott Olson

Iris Piekarz

Debbie Richmond

Matthew Ridge

James Ridgely

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Kathryn Schwabeland

Gil Stange

Kirsten Surak

Natalee Szopo

Brian Tregaskis

Rachel Valsing

Holly West

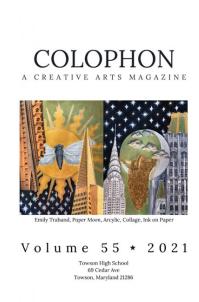
Mary Williams

Jen Yelton

## Colophon, Paper Moon







Colophon is proud to announce the release of issue 55 today - a book we are calling "Paper Moon." It is currently available for free on the digital publishing platform ISSUU at the following address: <a href="https://issuu.com/thscolophon-gmail/docs/paper moon - vol 55">https://issuu.com/thscolophon-gmail/docs/paper moon - vol 55</a>

At 92 pages it is one of the biggest books we've ever put together. Constructed entirely

of material produced by Towson High School students over the past year, with more than 80 individual students represented in art or lit or playing a significant role in developing the magazine itself. It goes without saying that we had more than a few "minor" obstacles to overcome in getting to this day, but we did. Exhausted as we are, relieved that we got here, the dominant emotion today is pride.

If you know any of these great young people let them know what you think of their publication and celebrate them for their year of dedication and creative vision. They worked their tails off. Editors: Kayla Yup, Rebecca Kleeman, Eleuthera Wang, Elise Chang, Natalie Gimignani, Faith Murdock, Emma Tuffano, and Lydia Walker Staff: Emma Bisson, Estelle Gerber, Amna Maqsood, Matthew Ensign, Youssef Tewala, Michaela Acton, and Lauren Simms

Furthermore, **Saturday evening**, **May 29th [tomorrow]**, we will host a virtual "reading" event, where the kids and I share some of the highlights of the book with the public for the first time. This will include more than a dozen kids sharing individual recorded readings of their pieces and some discussion from the editors and I about the year, our challenges and the story of our publishing accomplishment. It will begin at 6 and be about an hour long...then it will descend into a chaos of thank -you's and farewells. **The Google Meet code for this end-of-year event is: aci-xedq-dkx** 

Additionally, as part of its 100-year anniversary, the National Scholastic Press Association (one of the most prestigious associations in the nation) has decided to honor the 100 best high school publications over the last century (yearbooks, newspapers, magazines of all kinds). Colophon was selected to be part of this honor, one of only eight literary magazines to make the count nationally, one of only three schools in Maryland to be recognized on the list, and again, the only from Baltimore County Public Schools. This is a credit not to one volume, but to our more than 5 decades of great work, though we have made our mark with NSPA most significantly in the last 25, or so. Here is a link to the announcement: <a href="http://studentpress.org/nspa/607538-2/">http://studentpress.org/nspa/607538-2/</a>

### **May Arts Festival**

In a year unlike any other, our performing arts and visual arts departments banded together for the first time to host an outdoor arts festival. The May Arts Festival was held on May 23 and included student performances led by Ms. Marks and Mr. Jackson, a student art auction fundraiser organized by the Towson Art Parents Association, and an exhibit of student artworks and senior portfolios. Relief from the hot weather was provided by the Theatre Boosters organizing a snowball truck before the show. This very special event will hopefully become a tradition for years to come!



### **BCPS Film Expo**

This year members of National Art Honor Society, Joyce Zheng, Anna Franz, Izzy Reed, Daniel Schneider, Sienna Lindamood, Lilia Halberda, Ray Aoki who will be finalists at this year's film expo organized a stop motion animation committee and went to the challenging task of creating and combining their styles in creating an animation that reflected the events of the past year using video games as a medium and inspiration for their story. Their film, *Corona Crush*, was awarded by the BCPS Film Expo and was featured at a live showing of the winners on BCPS TV, May 27.

### **Senior Art Awards**

For this year's Senior Art Awards, five outstanding students were selected for their excellence in photography, studio art, sculpture, and art education. In addition to their the achievements in skill, these students were also recognized for their service to the art community and the unique ways they supported their peers through this year.



Teddy Tang- Art Education



Mason Moore- Sculpture



Sage Bauland- Studio Art



Magnolia Laich and Jemma Miller Breetz- Photography

#### **Student Teachers**

Ms. Miller and Ms. Valsing welcomed two student teachers, Ms. Kiriny and Ms. Sazo Galicia, to their classes this spring. Both designed unique art units and worked with students during the transition to hybrid learning on assignments that explored personal memories, overcoming challenges, and identity.



Student artworks from Ms. Sazo Galicia's unit with Ms. Valsing's AP Studio Practice class. The unit was titled "reconstructing memories" and students created artworks using a variety of found objects.

### **2020-2021** Art Exhibits

The art department would like to congratulate the following students in having their work honored or featured at the following events over the past year.

2020 BCPS Film Expo First Place Animation- *Broken* Anna Franz Amna Maqsood Linna Zhu Joyce Zheng

White Marsh Ave. Art Exhibit: Emma Lohr

Scholastic Art and Writing: Brendan Berger Emma Lohr Joyce Zheng Soma Hebbar

MSDE Fine Arts First Lady's Art Exhibit: Lydia Lesnevich

Baltimore County Arts Guild Youth Art Month Show Sage Bauland Grace Batavick Mason Moore

BCPS Superintendent's Art Exhibit Mason Moore

BCPS Art is For Everyone hosted by the Baltimore Museum of Art Jemma Miller Breetz Natalie Frank Caroline Christiansen Linna Zhu Jane Kastner

Reginald F. Lewis Annual Juried High School Art Exhibit Starlette Franklin



Starlette Franklin's painting, "Protest" won third place at the annual Reginald F. Lewis Juried High School Art Exhibit

### **National Art Honor Society**

On May 11, Ms. Miller proudly hosted the annual National Art Honor Society induction ceremony. The ceremony included an artist talk and studio tour with two of Towson's treasured artists and former Towson High School teachers, Linda Popp and Cheryl Milligan. Inductees this year participated in committees led by an outstanding leadership team. In a effort to maximize participation and expand on the program's leadership opportunities, interested members led projects and committees this year in wide ranging activities including stop motion animation, monthly art making activities, online exhibit development, and a mentorship group to support our art classes. Congratulations to this year's inductees!



If students are interested in participating in NAHS next fall, contact Ms. Miller at <a href="mailto:ler19@bcps.org">ler19@bcps.org</a> for more information and to join the NAHS Schoology group. Our meetings are every second Tuesday of the month.

### 2021 Advanced Placement Portfolio Exam Takers

Congratulations to the 2021 AP Art Exam Takers who submitted their portfolios in Drawing, 2D Design, and 3D Design this year.



### TAPA is the place for parents supporting the arts!

TAPA, the Towson Art Parent Association, is a volunteer group of parents who support the visual arts programs at Towson High School. There are many ways to get involved in supporting our creative community, and we need your help!

#### TAPA Members:

Help with managing art events, like the Art Auction, and Window Art Exhibit Gather donated prizes from local businesses for our annual Edible Art contest Work in collaboration with our Art Booster Groups

Select the winner of the Senior Purchase Award, a scholarship given to a Senior artist whose work is then permanently installed in the THS Gallery.



TAPA volunteers at the art auction

Organizing the Towson Window Art Exhibit



2021 TAPA Senior Purchase Award Winning work by Natalie Frank

Meetings are held throughout the school year, virtually for now, the second Tuesday of the month from 5:00pm-5:30pm.

Learn more about THS ART:

Towsonhighschoolart.weebly.com/

Parent rep: KimBeardReuse@gmail.com

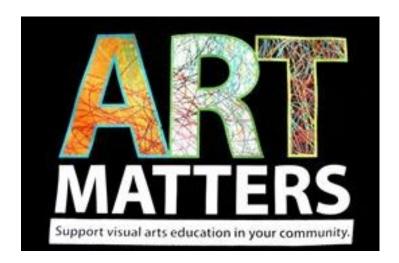
Find more updates from the Art Department



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@towsonhsart





Thank you to our wonderful Building Service Workers!!

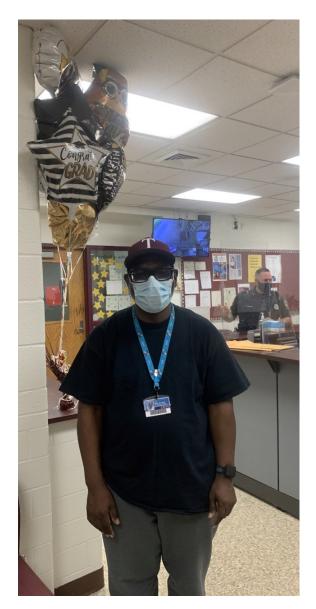
Thank you for all that you do every day!!



Congratulations Mr.

Terry Williams on
your promotion to
Assistant

Building Supervisor!!







Towson High has its first Educators Rising State Officer, Junior Kaitlyn Cote'! Kaitlyn will work with Towson University as a

student voice representing Towson High & BCPS, attending workshops, leadership trainings & zoom meetings with students across the state. The College of Education at Towson University is the official Maryland affiliate for Educators Rising, a national organization for aspiring teachers and their mentors. The college works closely with teacher-leaders in schools across the state to support students exploring teaching as a career path.



Congratulations to Kaitlyn!

## **Enrollment for the 2021-2022 Virtual Learning Program**

### **Enrollment is open from May 19-31**

The direct link to the program is <a href="https://dci.bcps.org/">https://dci.bcps.org/</a>
<a href="https://dci.bcps.org/">department/educational\_options/BCPS\_VLP</a> or you can access by going to the BCPS website → click on the image for the Virtual Learning Program. On this website, parents will find the enrollment link, and several resources including a video overview, sample schedule, list of courses not offered, and a self-assessment to determine if virtual learning is the best option for the student.

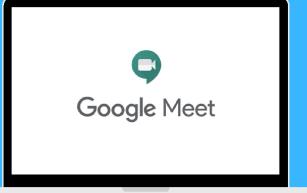
NEED TUTORING FOR ANY SUBJECT?

COME TO...

# NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY TUTORING!

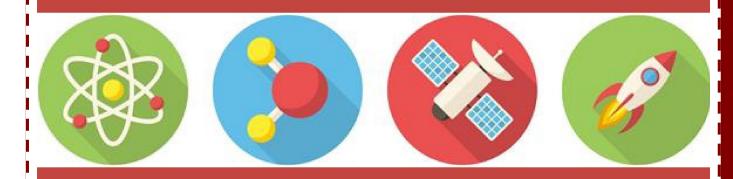
EVERY FRIDAY FROM 3-4PM STARTING OCT. 23RD

**GOOGLE MEETS CODE: THSNHS2020TUTOR** 



Every Tuesday & Thursday! From 2:15-3:15

# SNHS TUTORING!



Do you need help with any science class?

Sign up for Science National Honor Society

tutoring!

Meeting code: <a href="mailto:thssnhstutoring">thssnhstutoring</a>

Email or talk to your science teacher to have them sign you up!

## UPCOMING EVENTS

May, 2021

31 Memorial Day - Schools & Offices Closed

## June, 2021

- 21 High Schools in Session Full Day
- 22 Last Day of School School in Session Full Day



### Towson High School

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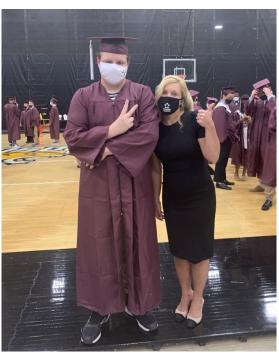










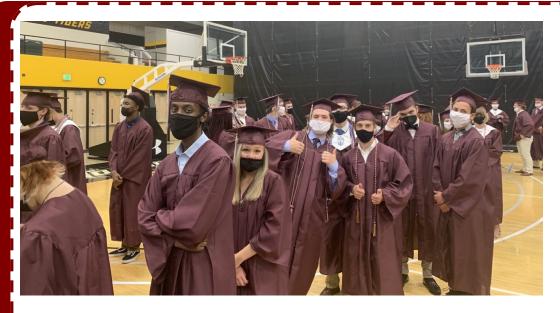






















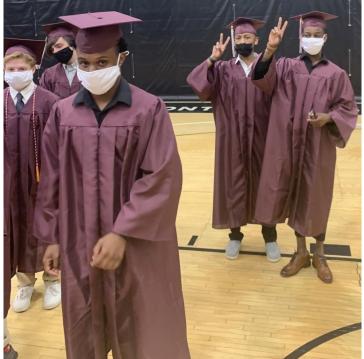










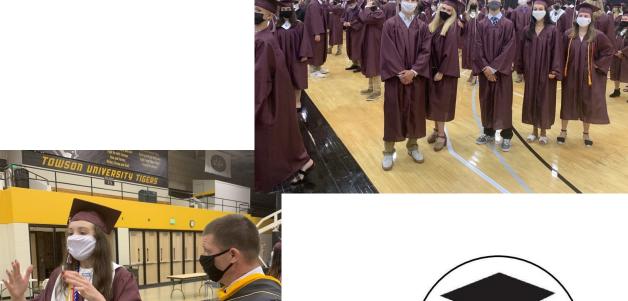




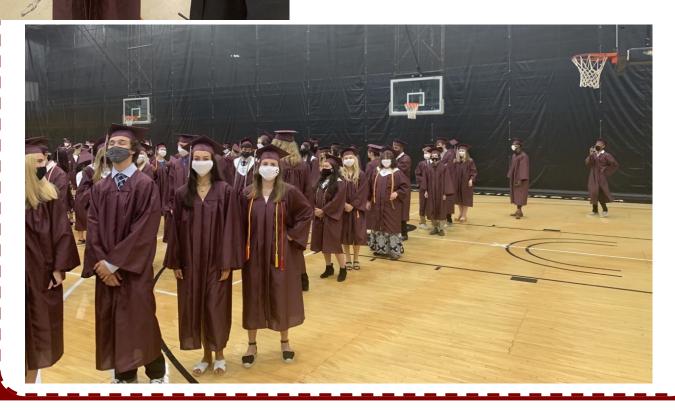


















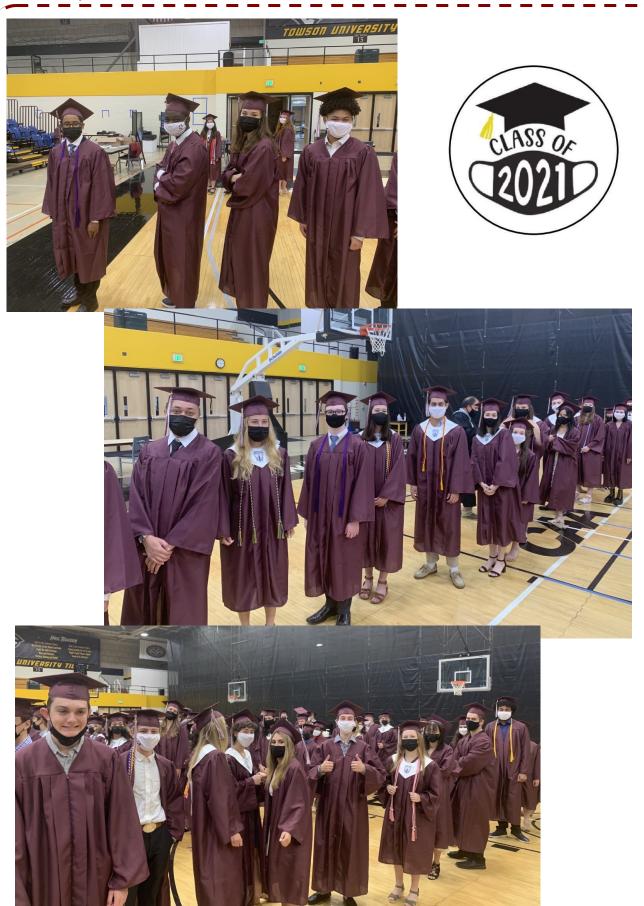
























## **Senior Class Officers**





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## **Senatorial and Delegate Scholarships**















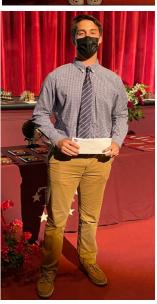
















































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