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## Climax-Scotts High School

### **Parents**

Julie and Daniel Hennessy

### **College**

Grand Valley State University

### **Major**

Biology

### **Significant Educator**

Luke Swager



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## **Comstock High School**

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Kim and Mike Kessler

### **College**

Central Michigan University

### **Major**

Psychology

### **Significant Educator**

Elizabeth O'Brien



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Laura and Peter  
Livingstone-McNelis

#### **College**

Undecided

#### **Major**

Undecided

#### **Significant Educator**

Scott Friesner



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Comstock High School

### **Parents**

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### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Mechanical Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Charlene Dailey



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### **College**

Ohio University

### **Major**

Biological Sciences

### **Significant Educator**

Anne Quartermaine



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## Gull Lake High School

### Parents

Lori and Stephen Claussen

### College

Wheaton College

### Major

Psychology

### Significant Educator

Ashley Copp



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#### **Parents**

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#### **College**

Undecided

#### **Major**

Chemistry

#### **Significant Educator**

Matthew Hawkins





# Ashley Korendyke

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### College

Undecided

### Major

Biology

### Significant Educator

Julie Jones



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### College

Undecided

### Major

Medical Science

### Significant Educator

Bobbi Stoner



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### **Parents**

Elizabeth and Steve Rochow

### **College**

Michigan Technological University

### **Major**

Biomedical Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Brad Portis



## **Hope Baldwin**

Hackett Catholic Central

### **Parents**

Suzann and Roger Baldwin

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Neuroscience

### **Significant Educator**

Katy Briggs



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Heritage Christian Academy

## **Parents**

Joyce and Tim Carpenter

## **College**

Undecided

## **Major**

Education

## **Significant Educator**

Stacey Koning



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Kalamazoo Central High School

## Parents

Emily Goodman and  
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## College

University of Michigan

## Major

Undecided

## Significant Educator

Joshua Gottlieb



## **Brandon Howard**

Kalamazoo Central High School

### **Parents**

Danielle and Wayne Howard

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Mechanical Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Kari Lockett



## **Madeleine Mozina**

Kalamazoo Central High School

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Lorraine Alberts and  
Andrew Mozina

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Theresa Williams-Johnson





## **Subi Thakali**

Kalamazoo Central High School

### **Parents**

Binu and Surendra Thakali

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Chemistry

### **Significant Educator**

Christopher Bullmer



## **Olivia Venus**

Kalamazoo Central High School

### **Parents**

Bridget and Conan Venus

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Politics, Philosophy, and Economics

### **Significant Educator**

Becky Cooper



## **Daniel Whitcomb**

Kalamazoo Central High School

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Jean and Clinton Whitcomb

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Rex Hafer



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Kalamazoo Christian High School

## Parents

Mary and Kevin Dykema

## College

Valparaiso University

## Major

Biomedical Engineering

## Significant Educator

Al Nieboer



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Loy Norrix High School

### **Parents**

Colleen and Jonathan Burke

### **College**

Hillsdale College

### **Major**

Biochemistry

### **Significant Educator**

Barbara Felkel



## **Samuel Ratliff**

Loy Norrix High School

### **Parents**

Heather and Jim Ratliff

### **College**

Michigan Technological University

### **Major**

Physics

### **Significant Educator**

William Brieger



## **Vaughn Taylor**

Loy Norrix High School

### **Parents**

Sandy and Mark Taylor

### **College**

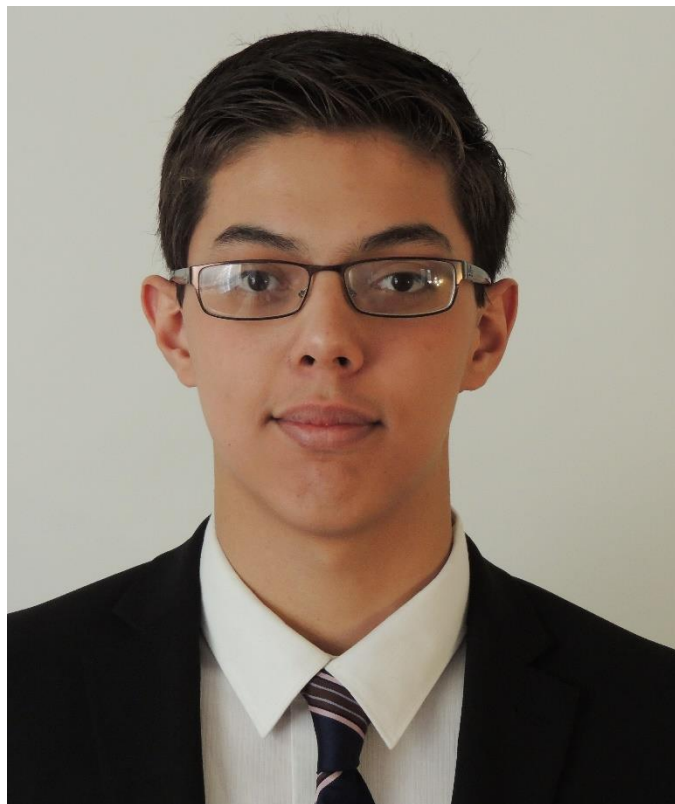
University of Michigan

### **Major**

Computer Science

### **Significant Educator**

Shannon Houtrouw



## **Hamza Turkistani**

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### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Trevor Stefanick





## **Ava Wood**

Loy Norrix High School

### **Parent**

Linda Mah

### **College**

Columbia University

### **Major**

Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Shannon Houtrouw



## **Lachlan Woods**

Loy Norrix High School

### **Parents**

Wendy and Micah Woods

### **College**

Michigan State University

### **Major**

Political Science

### **Significant Educator**

Becky Cooper



## **Nathan Fialkoff**

Parchment High School

### **Parents**

Amy and Eric Fialkoff

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Lisa Ouellette



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Parchment High School

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Sylvia and Daniel Miller

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Statistics

### **Significant Educator**

Wayne Hinton



## **Aheer Alvi**

Portage Central High School

### **Parents**

Sharmeen Reza and Eskander Alvi

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Computational Biology

### **Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton



## **Andrew Backer**

Portage Central High School

### **Parents**

Jennifer and David Backer

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Linda Kozacki



## **Veronica Buss**

Portage Central High School

### **Parents**

Anna and Daniel Buss

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Computer Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Shannon Houtrouw



## **William Chung**

Portage Central High School

### **Parents**

Yuko and Sung Chung

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Tama Salisbury





## **Meghan Ghosh**

Portage Central High School

### **Parents**

Sian and Partha Ghosh

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

International Studies

### **Significant Educator**

Kayleen Grand



## **Lily Kitagawa**

Portage Central High School

### **Parents**

Koren and Hironobu Kitagawa

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Computer Science

### **Significant Educator**

Shannon Houtrouw



## **Praneeth Medepalli**

Portage Central High School

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Madhu Batchu and  
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### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Cheryl Hach



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Portage Northern High School

### **Parents**

Leslie and Richard Ballentine

### **College**

Northwestern University

### **Major**

Biology

### **Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton



## **Isaiah Dykstra**

Portage Northern High School

### **Parents**

Sara and Dave Dykstra

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Jeanine Patterson



## **Claire Holley**

Portage Northern High School

### **Parents**

Sabrina and Scott Holley

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Shannon Houtrouw



## **Caroline Jordan**

Portage Northern High School

### **Parents**

Tina and David Jordan

### **College**

Calvin College

### **Major**

Speech Pathology

### **Significant Educator**

Bryan Hill



## **Lizzie Kimmel**

Portage Northern High School

### **Parent**

Jean Kimmel

### **College**

Brown University

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Modhi Alshehri





## **Vivek Parikh**

Portage Northern High School

### **Parents**

Manisha and Tejal Parikh

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Biochemistry

### **Significant Educator**

Michael Sinclair



## **Adam Schuhknecht**

Portage Northern High School

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Pam and Jeff Schuhknecht

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Computer Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Justin Olsen



# **Maxwell Fiebelkorn**

## Schoolcraft High School

### **Parents**

Beata and Wayne Fiebelkorn

### **College**

Western Michigan University

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Lori Pelton



# **Sophia Woodhams**

## Schoolcraft High School

### **Parents**

Holly and Timothy Woodhams

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Nursing

### **Significant Educator**

Kirk Wiersma



## **Benjamin Gangloff**

Vicksburg High School

### **Parents**

Elizabeth and Andrew Gangloff

### **College**

Embry-Riddle  
Aeronautical University

### **Major**

Aerospace Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Kristina Porter



## **Jack Gangloff**

Vicksburg High School

### **Parents**

Elizabeth and Andrew Gangloff

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Astronomy and Astrophysics

### **Significant Educator**

Rachel King



# **Kyla Kane-Maystead**

## Vicksburg High School

### **Parents**

Shannon Maystead and Erin Kane

### **College**

Michigan Technological University

### **Major**

Computer Science

### **Significant Educator**

Amanda Szczesny



## **Savannah McDowell**

Vicksburg High School

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Ronda Schabes and  
Darrell McDowell

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Environmental Science

### **Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton



