

WELCOME TO THE 2022

# **Excellence in Education Awards Program**



## **Keevin O'Neill**

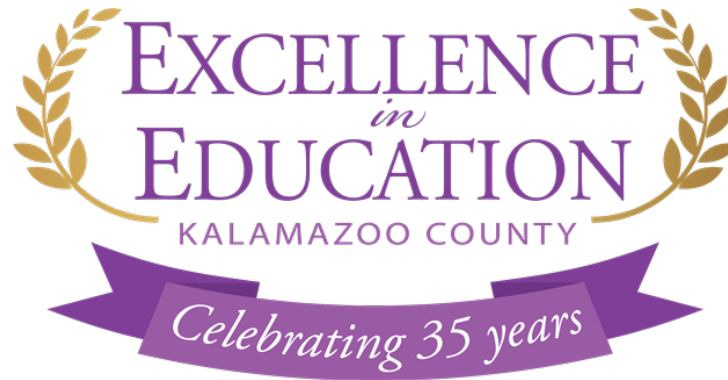
Chair, Excellence in Education

Superintendent, Vicksburg Community Schools



# Dr. L. Marshall Washington

Kalamazoo Valley Community College



# **Excellence in Education Student Awards**



## **Haylee Hotchkiss**

Climax-Scotts High School

*KVCC*

### **Parents**

Robin & Nathan Quick

### **College**

Kalamazoo Valley Community  
College

### **Major**

Dental Hygiene

### **Significant Educator**

Doug Robinson



**Domenic Putti**  
Comstock High School  
*KVCC*

**Parents**

Chris & Sherry Putti

**College**

University of Michigan

**Major**

Mechanical Engineering

**Significant Educator**

Ryan Warner



**Jacob Rooney**  
Comstock High School  
*KVCC*

**Parents**

LeAnn Rooney & Michael Rooney

**Post-Secondary Plans**

Trade Apprenticeship

**Field**

Plumbing

**Significant Educator**

Traci Spada



**David Harris**  
Galesburg-Augusta  
*KVCC*

**Parents**

Amy & Bill Harris

**College**

Western Michigan University

**Major**

Mechanical Engineering

**Significant Educator**

Scottie Walker





**Alexandria French**  
Gull Lake High School  
*KAMSC*

**Parents**

Joanna & Scott French

**College**

University of Michigan

**Major**

Biomedical Engineering

**Significant Educator**

Modhi Alsherhi



## **Jack Markillie**

Gull Lake High School

*KVCC*

### **Parents**

Mark & Monica Markillie

### **College**

Notre Dame

### **Major**

Biology/Pre-Med

### **Significant Educator**

Peter Santa Maria



**Johanna VanLandegent**  
Gull Lake High School

**Parents**

Donald & Emily VanLandegent

**College**

Western Michigan University

**Major**

Finance

**Significant Educator**

Andrea Hudson



**Anna Wozniak**  
Gull Lake High School

*KRESA CTE*

**Parents**

Jennifer & Eric Wozniak

**College**

Undecided

**Major**

Undecided

**Significant Educator**

Andrea Hudson



## **Mitchell Eastman**

Hackett Catholic Prep

### **Parents**

Jill & Tim Eastman

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Chemical Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

David Peters



## **Sara Bussey**

Kalamazoo Christian

*KVCC, WMU*

**Parents**

Michael Bussey & Lorraine Hanna

**College**

Undecided

**Major**

Science

**Significant Educator**

Al Nieboer



## **Anthony Alvarez**

Kalamazoo Central

*KAMSC, KRESA CTE*

### **Parents**

Fanny Hernandez & Antonio  
Alvarez

### **College**

Northwestern University

### **Major**

Computer Science

### **Significant Educator**

Shannon Houtrouw



## **Michael Ankley** Kalamazoo Central

### **Parents**

Tiffany & Michael Ankley

### **College**

Kalamazoo College

### **Major**

Physics

### **Significant Educator**

Rex

Hafer





## **Sophie Canfield**

Kalamazoo Central

### **Parents**

Emily Goodman & Temple Canfield

### **College**

Boston University

### **Major**

Marine Biology

### **Significant Educator**

Shay Wintz



## **Noah Kuhnert**

Kalamazoo Central

### **Parents**

Ronda & Steve Kuhnert

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Pre-Med

### **Significant Educator**

Shay Wintz



## **Mollie McDonald**

Kalamazoo Central

*EFA*

### **Parents**

Patrick & Nancy McDonald

### **College**

Adrian College

### **Major**

Computer Science

### **Significant Educator**

Kelly Schultz



**Olive Tatara**  
Kalamazoo Central  
*KAMSC, WMU*

**Parents**  
Ruth & Wallace Tatara

**College**  
University of Michigan

**Major**  
Biology

**Significant Educator**  
Colleen Chapoton



## **Celia Baublis**

Loy Norrix

*KAMSC*

### **Parents**

Carla & Alan Baublis

### **College**

Lawrence Technological  
University

### **Major**

Architecture

### **Significant Educator**

Michael Sinclair



## **Claire Beougher**

Loy Norrix

*KAMSC*

### **Parents**

Mark Beougher & Lori Burrell

### **College**

Wellesley College

### **Major**

Political Science

### **Significant Educator**

Laura Citino



**Owen Davis**

Loy Norrix

*KAMSC*

**Parents**

Julie & Shawn Davis

**College**

University of Michigan

**Major**

Engineering

**Significant Educator**

Kristin Antoniotti



## **Dominick Frost**

Loy Norrix

*KAMSC*

### **Parents**

Denis & Kelly Frost

### **College**

Kenyon

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton





## **Chanel Wilson**

Loy Norrix

*KRESA CTE*

### **Parents**

Molli Kornak & Bobby Wilson

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Business Administration

### **Significant Educator**

Atiba

Ward



## **Evan Teal**

Loy Norrix

*KAMSC*

### **Parents**

Alexander & Rebecca Teal

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Undecided

### **Significant Educator**

Michael Sinclair



## **Elijah Sanders**

Parchment

*KAMSC*

### **Parents**

Sandra & Brian Sanders

### **College**

Rochester Institute of  
Technology

### **Major**

Computer Science

### **Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton



## **Emiline Thorne**

### **Parchment**

#### **Parents**

Pamela Thorne & Kevin Thorne

#### **College**

University of North Florida

#### **Major**

Psychology

#### **Significant Educator**

Jennifer Billington



## **Genevieve Kim**

Portage Central

*KAMSC*

**Parents**

Dae Kim & Hisun Yun

**College**

Undecided

**Major**

Neuroscience

**Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton



**Patrick Li**  
Portage Central

**Parents**  
Haiying Pan & Yong Li

**College**  
Undecided

**Major**  
Economics

**Significant Educator**  
Ann Alburtus



## **Hannah Longcore**

Portage Central

*KRESA CTE*

### **Parents**

Amy & Chad Longcore

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Ecology

### **Significant Educator**

Elizabeth Honeysett



**Alyssa Park**  
Portage Central  
*KAMSC, WMU*

**Parents**

Joon Hi Park & Michael Park

**College**

Kalamazoo College

**Major**

Computer Science, Philosophy

**Significant Educator**

Laura Citino





## **Brendan Semler** Portage Central

### **Parents**

Colleen & David Semler

### **College**

Baylor University

### **Major**

Political Science

### **Significant Educator**

Tyler Baas-Peterson



# Tanmay Shekhar

Portage Central  
*KAMSC, WMU, KVCC*

## **Parents**

Nidhi & Vivek Shekhar

## **College**

Case Western

## **Major**

Biomedical Engineering

## **Significant Educator**

Laura Citino



**John Wang**  
Portage Central  
*KAMSC*

**Parents**  
Chien-Juh Gu & Y.K. Wang

**College**  
Undecided

**Major**  
Finance

**Significant Educator**  
James Hemenway



## **Emma Cavalli**

Portage Northern

### **Parents**

Kristy & Matt Cavalli

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Jessica Clark



## **Astrid Code**

Portage Northern

### **Parents**

Karin & David Code

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

English/Journalism

### **Significant Educator**

Sean Brennan



**Viktors Kalnins**  
Portage Northern  
*KAMSC*

**Parents**

Laila & Valdis Kalnins

**College**

University of Colorado - Boulder

**Major**

Integrative Physiology

**Significant Educator**

Colleen Chapoton



## **Vikas Tatineni**

Portage Northern

*KRESA CTE*

### **Parents**

Prabhash Tatineni &  
Aparna Kanaparthi

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Public Health

### **Significant Educator**

Krista Hovestadt



## **Zoe Thomas**

Portage Northern

### **Parents**

Charles Thomas &  
Laura Rahfeldt-Thomas

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Political Science

### **Significant Educator**

Sean Brennan





## **Audrey Wells**

Portage Northern

### **Parents**

Chad & Angela Wells

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Communications & Spanish

### **Significant Educator**

Jacqueline Pora



**Meghan Wykstra**  
Reformed Heritage Christian  
*KRESA CTE*

**Parents**  
Amy & Matthew Wykstra

**College**  
Kalamazoo Valley Community  
College

**Major**  
General Health Studies

**Significant Educator**  
Lynelle Schreuder



**Tyler DeGroot**  
Schoolcraft High School  
*KVCC*

**Parents**  
Cory & Michelle DeGroot

**College**  
Rockhurst University

**Major**  
Aerospace Engineering

**Significant Educator**  
Doug Flynn



**Owen Bishop**  
Vicksburg High School  
*KVCC*

**Parents**  
Holly & Eric Bishop

**College**  
Purdue University

**Major**  
Engineering

**Significant Educator**  
Amanda Szczesny



## **Grace Johnson**

Vicksburg High School

*KVCC*

### **Parents**

Jennifer & Douglas Johnson

### **College**

Loyola University Chicago

### **Major**

Neuroscience

### **Significant Educator**

Amanda Szczesny



## **Andrew Painter**

Vicksburg High School

### **Parents**

Mitchell & Catina Painter

### **College**

University of Michigan

### **Major**

Aerospace Engineering

### **Significant Educator**

Kristina Porter



## **Gage Stenger**

Vicksburg High School

*KRESA CTE*

### **Parents**

Joseph & Donella Stenger

### **College**

Undecided

### **Major**

Chemistry

### **Significant Educator**

Kristina Porter



## **Keevin O'Neill**

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