



Lincoln-Way District 210

News Release

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RE: Lincoln-Way Central honors outstanding students at Academic Honors Night

On Tuesday, February 28, 2017, students, families, faculty, and staff gathered in the Lincoln-Way Central auditorium to celebrate outstanding Knight students for Academic Honors Night. To begin the event, Principal Dr. Steve Provis introduced his staff: Dr. Beth McNamara, Associate Principal of Curriculum, Mr. Alex Petrakis, Associate Principal of Discipline, Ms. Michele Newswander, Director of PPS, and Mr. Matthew Lyke, Athletic Director.

Dr. Beth McNamara then thanked families in attendance. "Student success often thrives when they are supported at home. We truly appreciate your efforts to push your child to do his or her best, and I know our students do as well." She also updated parents regarding the upcoming SAT.

McNamara was followed by Ms. Michelle Hobbs, who congratulated Mu Alpha Theta members; Mu Alpha Theta is a national high school and junior college mathematics club. One hundred and twenty-four students stood to be recognized for their participation.

Dr. Provis then honored those who earned the highest academic honor for a Lincoln-Way student: Summa Cum Laude. Summa Cum Laude indicates that a student has earned a GPA of 5.0 or higher. Students honored included:

- Sabrina Bisaga
- Sierra Cady
- Liana Chidichimo
- Sean Curran
- Sebastian Esparza
- Lauren Franceschini
- Sawyer Hobbs
- Dylan Humiston
- Eric Hypke
- Aleksandra Katilius
- Matthew Klock
- Rebecca LiVigni
- Riley McLaughlin
- Michael Mikolajczak
- Matthew Murphy
- Kelly Newton
- Joshua Perch
- Anna Piech
- Kayleigh Pignato
- Chloe Rigsby
- Daniel Rymut
- Madison Smith

- Olivia Smith
- Caroline Ward
- Ava Zirgaitis

Next, National Merit seniors were recognized. The National Merit Scholarship Program is an annual academic competition for recognition and college undergraduate scholarships.

National Merit Finalist:

- Matt Murphy

National Merit Commended students:

- Liana Chidichimo
- Eric Hypke
- Joshua Perch
- Anna Piech
- Daniel Rymut

Dr. Provis then asked the students who achieved honor roll and high honor roll status from each class to stand and be recognized.

He concluded the program with a message to the graduating class. "And to our seniors: In a little over two months, you will be an alumni of Lincoln-Way...How quickly time goes by. I want to personally thank you for your leadership and integrity this year. Thank you for all that you have done for this school."