



# Exceptional Journalism Honored in 2025 College Better Newspaper Contest

Members of the Arkansas Press Association reviewed 548 entries submitted by 17 Michigan college newspapers this year and selected three college newspapers for creating great journalism.

**The 2025 “College Newspaper of the Year”** award is presented to the top college newspapers in three divisions based on points accumulated (100 for first, 70 for second and 40 for third) in all editorial contest categories (categories 1-13). The winners of those awards are:

<b>Division</b>	<b>College Newspaper</b>
Division 1	Michigan State University/The State News
Division 2	Albion College/The Pleiad
Division 3	Henry Ford Community College/Mirror News

*Division 1 - Newspapers publishing more than weekly.*

*Division 2 - Newspapers publishing weekly.*

*Division 3 - Two-year college publications or newspapers publishing less than weekly.*

“Student journalists are journalists — period. Across Michigan, college students provide impactful journalism that informs, enlightens and engages communities and that holds power to account. It’s only right to support this essential work, through recognition in the Better Newspaper Contest and from professionals in the field.” Said Todd Fettig, student advisor at Grand Valley Lanthorn

***The 2026 MPA/MCPA College Newspaper Contest opens August 1, 2026.***

**Class 18 - News Story**

**Division 1 - Class 18 - News Story**

32 Entries

**1st Place**

**University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*With all eyes on Michigan, Ann Arbor takes on Election Day*

Staff

**2nd Place**

**Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*Misconduct cases undercut MSU Police's 'trauma-informed' efforts*

Theo Scheer

**3rd Place**

**Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*MSU 'exonerated' a dean accused of plagiarism. How would a student facing the same claims fare?*

Owen McCarthy

**Honorable Mention**

**Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*'Regression' at every level: How the Big Beautiful Bill hits MSU*

Somer Sodeman

**Division 2 - Class 18 - News Story**

34 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grand Valley State University/  
Grand Valley Lanthorn**

*Religious artwork causes controversy at GV*

Joseph Poulos

**2nd Place**

**Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Trump reclaims the White House*

Jillian Parks, Isaac Green, Moira Gleason

**3rd Place**

**Calvin University/ Chimes**

*Calvin responds to a national wave of visa revocations, status terminations*

Grace Buller

**Honorable Mention**

**Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Community Thrift, Camp Hope could close as debt looms*

Isabella Doer

**Division 3 - Class 18 - News Story**

17 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grand Rapids Community  
College/Collegiate**

*Using AI changes your brain— and it might be ruining everything*

Marc Stoufer III

**2nd Place**

**Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*MENA Students Reflect on Crises in Gaza and Lebanon*

Ashley Davis

**3rd Place**

**Lansing Community College/  
The Lookout**

*College sets new goals with 2025-2027 strategic plan*

Sophia Potter

**Honorable Mention**

**Schoolcraft College/  
The Connection**

*Culinary Shining Star*

Jess Michael

**Class 19 - Investigative Reporting**

**Division 1 - Class 19 - Investigative Reporting**

9 Entries

**1st Place**

**Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*MSU Feds investigate Olin assault allegations*

Alex Walters

**2nd Place**

**Michigan State University/  
Capital News Service**

*Forever chemicals in biosolids may pose problems for municipalities, farmers*

Ruth Thornton

**3rd Place**

**Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*Campus cops face a persistent problem: Victims don't want to work with them*

Alex Walters

**Honorable Mention**

**University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*Former SMTD professor alleges provost's misconduct throughout his tenure review*

Amer Goel

**Division 2 - Class 19 - Investigative Reporting**

22 Entries

**1st Place**

**Calvin University/ Chimes**

*The Faculty Gender Divide at Calvin: A Complex Picture*

Elisabeth Stevens

**2nd Place**

**Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Albion College Dissolves French, German Programs, Professor Says 'It Is a Discredit to Education'*

Bella Bakeman, Jocelyn Kincaid-Beal

**3rd Place**

**Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Overcrowded county jail releases inmates early*

Catherine Maxwell

**Honorable Mention**

**Grand Valley State University/  
Grand Valley Lanthorn**

*High FOIA cost contributes to dropping of GV student's Title IX case*

Olivia Mulka, Emma Armijo

**Division 3 - Class 19 - Investigative Reporting**

8 Entries

**1st Place**

**Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*Top athletic department staff disciplined after physical altercation*

Collegiate Staff

**2nd Place**

**Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Problems with Patient Care at Michigan's Psychiatric Hospitals*

Alaina Schnell

**3rd Place**

**Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*GRCC President Charles Lepper placed on paid administrative leave*

Alexa Cheaney, Vanessa Hewitt and staff

**Honorable Mention**

**Monroe County Community  
College/ The Agora**

*No formal sealed bid process for H Building renovations*

Reese Bowling

**Class 20 - Feature Story**

**Division 1 - Class 20 - Feature Story**

22 Entries

**1st Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*I immersed myself in furry culture. You don't understand them.*

Liam Rappleye

**2nd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*MSU Public Defenders Clinic takes unique approach to educating law students*

Anish Topiwala

**3rd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*A week at MSU, by the numbers*

Theo Scheer

**Honorable Mention** **Michigan State University/  
Capital News Service**

*New lawmakers learn from their journalism experiences*

Anna Rossow

**Division 2 - Class 20 - Feature Story**

30 Entries

**1st Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Redefining Gender, Reshaping Minds: The History of WGSS at Albion*

Killian Altayeb

**2nd Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Jewish students find 'mishpacha' in club*

Maggie O'Connor

**3rd Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*'Everybody Loved Bob and Bob Loved Everybody': A 106-Year-Old's Legacy*

Jocelyn Kincaid-Beal

**Honorable Mention** **Western Michigan University/  
The Western Herald**

*Students share their post-election feelings*

Jack Mennicke

**Division 3 - Class 20 - Feature Story**

26 Entries

**1st Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*'Do not go gentle into that good night:' Transgender peers at GRCC*

*Speak up and speak out*

Juliette Bolle-Leon

**2nd Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*Meet the GRCC brothers with 50,000 records*

Alexa Cheaney

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Kevin Can!: Different Can Be Fun*

Toria Legris

**Class 21 - Sports News/Features**

**Division 1 - Class 21 - Sports News/Features**

10 Entries

**1st Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*From the farm to the football field, Colston Loveland stays humble by leaning on Idaho roots*

Rekha Leonard

**2nd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*In portal era, Jaden Akins stayed — and helped restore MSU's title standard*

Thomas Cobb

**3rd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*MSU-Michigan men's basketball rivalry reignites with Big Ten race on the line*

Thomas Cobb

**Honorable Mention** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*MSU's journey back to Atlanta shows how far its come — and can still go*

Thomas Cobb

**Division 2 - Class 21 - Sports News/Features**

20 Entries

**1st Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Breaking Bats and Barriers: Michigan's Black Baseball History*

Bella Fabrizio

**2nd Place** **Grand Valley State University/  
Grand Valley Lanthorn**

*First women's wrestling team at GV debuts talent in opening tournament*

Max Bufkin

**3rd Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Coach Ken: Pro ref to women's soccer coach*

Ty Ruddy

**Honorable Mention** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Looking Back on the '94 Championship: 'No One Wanted Credit, We All Just Wanted To Win'*

Aidan Shapiro

**Division 3 - Class 21 - Sports News/Features**

12 Entries

**1st Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Detroit's Jim Dandy Ski Club*

Ashley Davis

**2nd Place** **Schoolcraft College/ The Connection**

*The Heart of a Runner*

Jess Michael

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Teams Give Back at Annual Hunger Games at HFC*

Zayneb Ardaini

**Honorable Mention** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*Player Profile: Marshaun Flakes and his journey to becoming a school record holder*

Jack Walker

**Class 22 - Column, Review or Blog, News**

**Division 1 - Class 22 - Column, Review or Blog, News**

9 Entries

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
Great Lakes Echo**

*Book gathers historic accounts of Michigan cougar encounters*

Anna Barnes

**2nd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*COLUMN: Being an international student when everything feels uncertain*

Satvik Shubham

**3rd Place** **Eastern Michigan University/  
Eastern Echo**

*EMU Theatre and the audience unite for the queer joy of 'The Rocky Horror Show'*

Frank Remski

**Honorable Mention** **Michigan State University/  
Great Lakes Echo**

*Picnics and Porcupines: Book explores history of eating outside in the U.P.*

Isabella Figueroa

**Division 2 - Class 22 - Column, Review or Blog, News**

26 Entries

**1st Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Opinion: Young Voters Matter, Reflecting on the Coy James*

*American History Lecture*

Bella Bakeman

**2nd Place** **Calvin University/ Chimes**

*A Continuation of "a dialogue about art and AI"*

Chantale Van Tassel

**3rd Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Doing Hard Things: Advocating for Trigger Warnings in the Classroom*

Jocelyn Kincaid-Beal

**Honorable Mention** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Opinion: Why Toni Morrison's Works Should be Read, Re-Read;*

*Celebrated*

Sophia Valchine

**Division 3 - Class 22 - Column, Review or Blog, News**

21 Entries

**1st Place** **Schoolcraft College/ The Connection**

*Pranked for the Prize*

Izabella Allie

**2nd Place** **Schoolcraft College/ The Connection**

*Open heart, open mind*

Jess Michael

**3rd Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*Are we okay?*

Marc Stoufer III

**Honorable Mention** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Tweenage Wasteland: Why Young Girls are Missing Out on This*

*Vital Awkward Stage*

Inaam Makki

**Class 23 - Column, Review or Blog, Sports**

**Division 1 - Class 23 - Column, Review or Blog, Sports**

4 Entries

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*COLUMN: The extinction of the four-year, one-university athlete*

Kaspar Haehnle

**2nd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*Five MSU victories that define Izzo's journey to Big Ten wins record*

Thomas Cobb

**3rd Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*Charlie Pappalardo: Sherrone Moore has figured out how to drag opponents into the mud*

Charlie Pappalardo

**Honorable Mention** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*COLUMN: Oh captain, bye captain — The toll of losing Red Savage*

Kaspar Haehnle

**Division 2 - Class 23 - Column, Review or Blog, Sports**

6 Entries

**1st Place** **Western Michigan University/  
The Western Herald**

*Opinion: The state of Western Michigan Athletics*

Joseph Hartzell

**2nd Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Opinion: Nepotism Will be the Downfall of the NFL*

Seiji McSwain

**3rd Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Opinion: You're More Than a Student-Athlete*

Bella Fabrizio

**Honorable Mention** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Opinion: Sports Gambling Through the Eyes of a Student-Athlete*

Aidan Shapiro

**Division 3 - Class 23 - Column, Review or Blog, Sports**

3 Entries

**1st Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Rediscovering the Natural Beauty of Michigan: A Late Bloomers*

*Guide to Camping and Hiking*

Ashley Davis

**2nd Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*Lions defense crumbles in shocking 45-31 loss to Commanders*

Jack Walker

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Title IX and Giving Woman Athletes Fair Treatment*

Renata Diaz

**Class 24 - Editorial**

**Division 1 - Class 24 - Editorial**

4 Entries

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*EDITORIAL: Trustee candidates lack concrete ideas, oblivious to real issues at MSU*

Staff

**2nd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*EDITORIAL: International students deserve certainty*

Staff

**3rd Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*From The Daily: Three questions for our future*

The Michigan Daily Editorial Board

**Division 2 - Class 24 - Editorial**

8 Entries

**1st Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Collegian Weekly: Never forget, even if you can't remember*

Staff

**2nd Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Collegian Weekly: What happened to 'agree to disagree'?*

Moira Gleason

**3rd Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Collegian Weekly: Wednesday will be another normal day*

Jacob Beckwith

**Honorable Mention** **Grand Valley State University/  
Grand Valley Lanthorn**

*Predictions and pipe dreams: Our take on the 2025 Grammy nominations*

Staff

**Division 3 - Class 24 - Editorial**

10 Entries

**1st Place** **Monroe County Community  
College/ The Agora**

*Safety concerns on campus erase sense of security*

Maggie Sandefur, Mick Valentino

**2nd Place** **Washtenaw Community College/  
The Voice**

*Editorial: The Voice isn't going to save the world, but we're here to listen*

The Washtenaw Voice Editorial Staff

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Celebrity Endorsements of Political Candidates*

The Mirror News

**Honorable Mention** **Schoolcraft College/  
The Connection**

*Welcome back students*

Connection Staff

**Class 25 - Best Writer**

**Division 1 - Class 25 - Best Writer**

5 Entries

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

Alex Walters

**2nd Place**

**Eastern Michigan University/  
Eastern Echo**

Elena Davis

**3rd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

Theo Scheer

**Division 2 - Class 25 - Best Writer**

12 Entries

**1st Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

Thomas McKenna

**2nd Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

Moira Gleason

**3rd Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

Bella Fabrizio

**Honorable Mention** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

Killian Altayeb

**Division 3 - Class 25 - Best Writer**

5 Entries

**1st Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

Alexa Cheaney

**2nd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

Ashley Davis

**3rd Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

Marc Stoufer III

**Honorable Mention** **Washtenaw Community College/  
The Voice**

Lily Cole

**Class 26 - Feature Photo**

**Division 1 - Class 26 - Feature Photo**

6 Entries

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*Flowers at Spartan Statue*

Campbell Berg

**2nd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*Work*

Finn Gomez

**3rd Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*Lollapalooza*

Grace Lahti

**Division 2 - Class 26 - Feature Photo**

13 Entries

**1st Place** **Central Michigan University/  
CM-Life**

*Sunset Bull Ride*

Mark Hoover

**2nd Place** **Grand Valley State University/  
Grand Valley Lanthorn**

*Students dance the night away at GV Presidents' Ball*

Risho Wooten

**3rd Place** **Grand Valley State University/  
Grand Valley Lanthorn**

*Grand Rapids Woodstock Fest supports family in Gaza*  
Caleb Worpel

**Honorable Mention** **Central Michigan University/  
CM-Life**

*The MOVE! for Health Class*  
Jo Kenoshmeg

**Division 3 - Class 26 - Feature Photo**

**14 Entries**

**1st Place** **Monroe County Community  
College/ The Agora**

*New art instructor hired at MCCC*  
Mick Valentino

**2nd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*"Kevin Can" author Ian Flanagan and graphic illustrator Jesse  
Lindlbauer*

Toria Legris

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Olivia Draus duckpin bowling at Corktown Taphouse, Detroit, MI.*  
Emily Kunzelman

**Class 27 - Front Page Design**

**Division 1 - Class 27 - Front Page Design**

**7 Entries**

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*TSN March Madness Cover*  
Zachary Balcoff

**2nd Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*Front Page - 4/2/2025*

Leyla Dumke

**3rd Place** **Eastern Michigan University/  
Eastern Echo**

*Election Day*

Ameera Salman and Rylee Curley

**Division 2 - Class 27 - Front Page Design**

**9 Entries**

**1st Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Pleiad Print Edition: February 14, 2025 (Front page)*

Bella Bakeman, Bonnie Lord, Killian Altayeb

**2nd Place** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Jan. 22, 2025 A1*

Catherine Maxwell

**3rd Place** **Central Michigan University/ CM-Life**

*May 5 Central Michigan Life Burning the bottom line*

Jo Kenoshmeg, Zoey Lawrence

**Honorable Mention** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Pleiad Print Edition: April 21, 2025 (Front page)*

Bonnie Lord, Bella Bakeman

**Division 3 - Class 27 - Front Page Design**

**12 Entries**

**1st Place** **Washtenaw Community College/  
The Voice**

*Washtenaw Voice A1 04152025*

The Washtenaw Voice Staff

**2nd Place** **Grand Rapids Community  
College/ Collegiate**

*Collegiate Magazine Winter 2025*  
Dana Kistler

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*MENA Students Reflect on the Crises in Gaza and Lebanon cover  
design*

Olivia Draus

**Class 28 - Non-Front Page Design**

**Division 1 - Class 28 - Non-Front Page Design**

**9 Entries**

**1st Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*TSN Gen Z Votes Page*

Zachary Balcoff

**2nd Place** **University of Michigan/  
The Michigan Daily**

*Middle Spread - 4/2/2025*

Leyla Dumke, Maisie Derlega

**3rd Place** **Michigan State University/  
The State News**

*TSN MSU Gymnastics Page*

Zachary Balcoff

**Division 2 - Class 28 - Non-Front Page Design**

**4 Entries**

**1st Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Pleiad Print Edition: April 21, 2025 (Back page)*

Bonnie Lord, Bella Bakeman

**2nd Place** **Albion College/ The Pleiad**

*Pleiad Print Edition: February 14, 2025 (Back page)*

Bella Bakeman, Bonnie Lord, Killian Altayeb

**3rd Place** **Central Michigan University/ CM-Life**

*The Science of Love*

Paige Jackowski, Ben Westerhof

**Honorable Mention** **Hillsdale College/ The Collegian**

*Opinions Page - Sept. 19*

Caroline Kurt

**Division 3 - Class 28 - Non-Front Page Design**

**11 Entries**

**1st Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Bitten by the Modern-Day Nosferatu page design*

Olivia Draus

**2nd Place** **Schoolcraft College/ The Connection**

*Unexpected Perspective*

Pili Estevez

**3rd Place** **Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News**

*Title IX and Giving Women Athletes Fair Treatment page design*

DJ Harshaw-Minley

**Honorable Mention** **Washtenaw Community  
College/ The Voice**

*Washtenaw Voice B1 111924*

Jada Hauser

**Class 29 - Best News-Only Photo**

**Open - Class 29 - Best News-Only Photo**

22 Entries

**1st Place** *Grand Rapids Community College/ Collegiate*

*'We're not going back:' Thousands gather... for International*

*Women's Day march*

*Vanessa Hewitt*

**2nd Place** *Michigan State University/*

*The State News*

*No Kings, No Tyrants*

*Finn Gomez*

**3rd Place** *Michigan State University/ The State News*

*Protest*

*Finn Gomez*

**Honorable Mention** *Schoolcraft College/ The Connection*

*I did it!*

*Cam Weller*

**Class 30 - Best Sports Photo**

**Open - Class 30 - Best Sports Photo**

29 Entries

**1st Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*Bareback Competition*

*Mark Hoover*

**2nd Place** *Grand Valley State University/ Grand Valley Lanthorn*

*GV swim and dive breaks pool record on senior night*

*Macayla Cramer*

**3rd Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*CMU vs. Bowling Green basketball*

*Mark Hoover*

**Honorable Mention** *Michigan State University/ The State News*

*Spartan tennis*

*Fatih Imamoglu*

**Class 31 - Best Photographer**

**Open - Class 31 - Best Photographer**

13 Entries

**1st Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*Mark Hoover*

**2nd Place** *Grand Rapids Community College/ Collegiate*

*Vanessa Hewitt*

**3rd Place** *Michigan State University/ The State News*

*Finn Gomez*

**Honorable Mention** *Albion College/ The Pleiad*

*Oghenefejiro Nakireru*

**Class 32 - Original Cartoon - Editorial or Entertainment**

**Open - Class 32 - Original Cartoon - Editorial or Entertainment**

14 Entries

**1st Place** *Eastern Michigan University/ Eastern Echo*

*Burnout*

*AJ Grams*

**2nd Place** *Eastern Michigan University/ Eastern Echo*

*Virgin vs Chad | Guess Who | Slacking not Lacking*

*Rylee Curley*

**3rd Place** *Albion College/ The Pleiad*

*Original Cartoon-- Bonnie Lord*

*Bonnie Lord*

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Community College/ Collegiate*

*Well, why would I check the news?*

*Alexa Cheaney and Dana Kistler*

**Class 33 - Multimedia Reporting**

**Open - Class 33 - Multimedia Reporting**

12 Entries

**1st Place** *Henry Ford Community College/ Mirror News*

*Problems with Patient Care at Michigan's Psychiatric Hospitals*

*Alaina Schnell*

**2nd Place** *Grand Rapids Community College/ Collegiate*

*'We're not going back:' Thousands gather... for International*

*Women's Day march*

*Collegiate Staff*

**3rd Place** *Michigan State University/ The State News*

*MSU Surplus Store*

*Alexis Schmidt, Brianna Schmidt*

**Honorable Mention** *Grand Rapids Community College/ Collegiate*

*How a team of artists transformed Grand Rapids into a living museum*

*Marc Stoufer III*

**Class 34 - Single Ad**

**Division 1 - Class 34 - Single Ad**

1 Entries

**1st Place** *Michigan State University/ The State News*

*State News house ad*

*Zachary Balcoff*

**Division 2 - Class 34 - Single Ad**

1 Entries

**1st Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*Covering What Matters At CMU Since 1919*

*Brittany Stevens*

**Division 3 - Class 34 - Single Ad**

**4 Entries**

**1st Place** *Schoolcraft College/  
The Connection*

*Men's Hockey Schedule*

Pili Estevez

**2nd Place** *Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News*

*Welcome Back Days*

Olivia Draus

**3rd Place** *Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News*

*Career Expo*

DJ Harshaw-Minley

**Honorable Mention** *Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News*

*Art Speaks*

Alejandro Bueno

**Class 35 - Special Advertising Section**

**Open - Class 35 - Special Advertising Section**

**5 Entries**

**1st Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*2024 Election Issue*

Staff

**2nd Place** *Henry Ford Community  
College/ Mirror News*

*Campus Safety Tips*

Madison Gafford

**3rd Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*Best of Central Michigan 24*

Staff

**Honorable Mention** *Henry Ford  
Community College/ Mirror News*

*Writing Center*

Yasmine Elhagehassan

**Class 36 - Online Newspaper**

**Open - Class 36 - Online Newspaper**

**7 Entries**

**1st Place** *Central Michigan University/ CM-Life*

*March 2025, April 2025, May 2025*

Staff

**2nd Place** *Michigan State University/  
The State News*

*The State News online newspaper entry*

Staff

**3rd Place** *Schoolcraft College/ The Connection*

*Online Newspaper*

Connection Staff

**Honorable Mention** *Albion College/ The Pleiad*

*The Albion Pleiad for Best Online Newspaper*

The Albion Pleiad Staff