

2019

**SENIOR AWARDS CEREMONY**

**Dr. Jeffrey Budz, President/Principal**

Welcome

**SPECIAL NON-SCHOOL AWARDS:**

**Presenter: Mrs. Amy Douglas, Academic Resource Center Coordinator**

**MIGUEL MORENO and SYDNEY PUCEL** received the **Will County Farm Bureau Scholarship.**

**MEGAN O'BRIEN** received the **Pax Christi "Instrument of Peace Award"** for actively incorporating the principles of Catholic social teaching in his life.

**WYATT SIMPSON** received the **National Society of the Sons' of the American Revolution Outstanding Citizens Award** in recognition of the Highest Ideals of Character and Citizenship.

**ALYSSA GOMEZ** received the **National Society Daughters of the American Revolution Good Citizens Award and Scholarship Essay Contest Winner.**

**RYAN BELL** received the **Richard L. Chavez Kiwanis Key Club Scholarship.**

**RYAN BELL and SHEA DUFFY** received the **Shorewood HUGS Scholarship.**

**KATHERINE JORGENSEN** received the **Joliet Exchange Club Youth of the Year Award.**

**MADELEINE BUSS** received the **Comcast Leaders and Achievers Scholarship.**

**HANNAH JONES** received the **Folds of Honor Scholarship and Freedom Alliance Scholarship.**

**CLASS 5A ALL STATE ACADEMIC PLAYER AWARD**

**Presenter: Mr. Daniel Sharp, Athletic Director**

**TY O’JANOVAC AND KURT WEIS** have been recognized as Class 5A All State Academic Players for the 2018 Season by the **ILLINOIS HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL COACHES ASSOCIATION**.

**ESCC AWARDS**

Special recognition is given to the recipients of the **EAST SUBURBAN CATHOLIC CONFERENCE SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD**. Please hold your applause until all names have been read. The ESCC pays tribute to the following student athletes:

**THE FEMALE RECIPIENTS ARE:**

<b>ELISE CARLSON</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>
<b>REESE HAFNER</b>	<b>DANCE</b>
<b>ERIN JOHNSON</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY</b>
<b>SOPHIE KRZYSCIAK</b>	<b>VOLLEYBALL</b>
<b>ZORA MIHELICH</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY/BASKETBALL/TRACK</b>
<b>EMILY MORRISSETTE</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>
<b>MEGAN ORTINAU</b>	<b>SOFTBALL</b>
<b>SYDNEY PUCEL</b>	<b>SOCCER</b>
<b>CORDELIA WAGNER</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>
<b>KYLIE WEIS</b>	<b>TENNIS</b>

**THE MALE RECIPIENTS ARE:**

<b>RYAN BELL</b>	<b>GOLF</b>
<b>FERNANDO CHAVEZ</b>	<b>FOOTBALL</b>
<b>MAXWELL CULLEN</b>	<b>BASEBALL</b>
<b>MIGUEL MORENO</b>	<b>SOCCER/LACROSSE</b>
<b>JOHN NASH</b>	<b>FOOTBALL</b>
<b>WYATT SIMPSON</b>	<b>GOLF</b>
<b>JACK SMITH</b>	<b>CROSS COUNTRY/TENNIS</b>
<b>MATTHEW TRIZNA</b>	<b>FOOTBALL</b>

**KURT WEIS**  
**MATTHEW YANKE**

**FOOTBALL**  
**FOOTBALL**

**NATIONAL FRENCH CONTEST**

**Presenter: Mrs. Florence Austrums, French National Honor Society Moderator**

**TAYLOR SHELBY** received a **Silver Medal in French V-AP.**

**NATALIE FRANCHINI** and **JULIA KHATER** received a **Bronze Medal in French V-AP.**

**MIGUEL MORENO** received an **HONORABLE MENTION CERTIFICATE IN French V-AP.**

**NATIONAL HONOR SOCIETY**

**Presenter: Mrs. Kathy Major, National Honor Society Moderator**

We would like to recognize **NICHOLAS HJERPE** who was recently inducted into the National Honor Society.

**FR. NORMAN G. WERLING SCHOLARSHIP**

**SCHMIDT/KUHN SCHOLARSHIP**

**Presenter: Mrs. Kristin Horn, Counselor and Financial Aid Coordinator**

The **FR. NORMAN G. WERLING ENDOWED SCHOLARSHIP** was established at Joliet Catholic Academy with a generous gift from Mr. James J. Korst, JCHS Class of 1949. The interest from this fund will be used to assist graduates of JCA to attend college full time. The recipient of this award must have good academic credentials, evidence of involvement in school activities, and a plan to major in a scientific discipline in college.

Recipients of the **Fr. Norman Werling Scholarship** are:

**GRACE BANNON**

**KATHERINE JORGENSEN**

The **MR. and MRS. FREDERICK W. SCHMIDT, SR., and MINNIE KUHN SCHOLARSHIP** represents the dedication to education by Frederick Schmidt who provided the scholarship funds through his will. It was his intention that recipients be academically qualified and that the scholarship be used for advanced education. It is our pleasure to announce that Mr. & Mrs. Frederick W. Schmidt, Sr. and Minnie Kuhn Scholarships have been awarded to the following students:

**RYAN BELL**

**EMILY MORRISSETTE**

**PEYTON BUSS**

**JOHN RAGUSA**

**SHEA DUFFY**

**CERTIFICATES AND MEDALS FOR ACADEMIC ACCOMPLISHMENTS DURING THE JCA  
2018-2019 SCHOOL YEAR**

**CERTIFICATE OF HONOR IN ONE FIELD OF STUDY**

The following students have achieved outstanding academic honors in **ONE FIELD OF STUDY**, and therefore are awarded a **CERTIFICATE OF HONOR** in that field. When your name is called please come forward to receive your certificate. Please hold your applause until all names have been read.

**Presenter: Mrs. Holly Scordo, Senior Class Moderator**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

**NAME**

**AWARD**

**MADELEINE ANDERSON**

Certificate - Precalculus

**RYAN BELL**

Certificate – Business Law

**ABIGAIL BELLING**

Certificate – French IV

**JOSHUA BOLEK**

Certificate – Robotics I

**MAX BRISCOE**

Certificate – Physical Education

**MATTHEW CIARLETTE**

Certificate – Band

**COLIN COX**

Certificate – Strength Training

**MAXWELL CULLEN**

Certificate – Theology IV

**KHANG DINH**

Certificate – U.S. Government

**LOGAN DITELLO**

Certificate – History of Illinois

**ERIN GARMAN**

Certificate - Statistics

**ALYSSA GOMEZ**

Certificate – Journalism/Yearbook

**ANDREW GORSKI**

Certificate – Advanced Handbells

**MADELINE GRAJ**

Certificate – Precalculus

**NICHOLAS GUCA**

Certificate – Earth and Space Science

<b>NICHOLAS HJERPE</b>	Certificate – Theology IV
<b>ERIN JOHNSON</b>	Certificate – Theology IV
<b>KEVIN KIJAK</b>	Certificate – Robotics I
<b>CONOR KLUMP</b>	Certificate – Marketing
<b>DARRELL MARTIN</b>	Certificate – Computer Applications II
<b>EMMA MCSTEEN</b>	Certificate – General Business
<b>KINSLEY MOORE</b>	Certificate – Robotics I
<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>AWARD</u></b>
<b>BRADEN PARKS</b>	Certificate – Strength Training
<b>MICHAEL PAYNE</b>	Certificate – Accounting
<b>SAPTARSHI SAHA</b>	Certificate – Economics
<b>ALEJANDRO VERA</b>	Certificate – Physical Education
<b>CORDELIA WAGNER</b>	Certificate – AP Calculus
<b>TIANMU ZANG</b>	Certificate - Precalculus

### **CERTIFICATES OF HONOR IN SEVERAL FIELDS OF STUDY**

The following students have achieved outstanding academic honors in **SEVERAL FIELDS OF STUDY**, and therefore are awarded **CERTIFICATES OF HONOR** in these fields. When your name is called please come forward.

**Presenter: Mrs. Melisa Ferro, Campus Minister**

### **THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>AWARD(S)</u></b>
<b>MARY ALLGOOD</b>	Certificate – English IV Certificate – Statistics
<b>KATHERINE JORGENSEN</b>	Certificate – AP Statistics Certificate – Pottery II Certificate – U.S. Government
<b>JULIA KHATER</b>	Certificate – AP French Certificate – Economics

<b>ZORA MIHELICH</b>	Certificate – Sociology Certificate – Theology IV
<b>MIGUEL MORENO</b>	Certificate – AP Computer Science Certificate – Robotics II
<b>SARAH PIPER</b>	Certificate - Economics Certificate – Precalculus Certificate – U.S. Government
<b>ADAM SIMON</b>	Certificate – Theology IV Certificates –U.S. Government
<b>ABIGAIL VOSS</b>	Certificate – English IV Certificate – Multimedia Design Certificate – U.S. Government

**MEDAL OF HONOR IN ONE FIELD OF STUDY AND ONE OR MORE CERTIFICATES**

I would now like to call forth the students who have achieved the **HIGHEST ACADEMIC STANDING IN ONE FIELD OF STUDY** and therefore are awarded the **MEDAL OF HONOR** in that field. These students may have also earned **ONE OR MORE CERTIFICATES OF HONOR**.

**Presenter: Mr. Michael Pero, Division Chairperson**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

<b><u>NAME</u></b>	<b><u>AWARD(S)</u></b>
<b>GRACE BANNON</b>	Medal – Earth and Space Science Certificate – Theology IV
<b>ANTHONY BLECA</b>	Medal – Statistics
<b>ASHLYN EGIZIO</b>	Medal – Human Biology Certificate – Pottery III

<b>JACOB FILOTTO</b>	Medal – AP Computer Science
<b>NATALIE FRANCHINI</b>	Medal – AP French V
<b>XUTONG GUO</b>	Medal – Economics Certificate – English IV Certificate – U.S. Government
<b>NICOLAS IANNANTONE</b>	Medal – Strength Training
<b>LUCAS MILCZAREK</b>	Medal – English IV Certificate - Band
<b>JOHN NASH</b>	Medal – International Relations Certificate – English IV
<b>TY O’JANOVAC</b>	Medal – Robotics II Certificate – Economics
<b>MEAGAN ORTINAU</b>	Medal – AP Physics
<b>ADAM RANGEL</b>	Medal – Statistics
<b>AVERY RESENDIZ</b>	Medal – Computer Applications II Certificate – Human Biology
<b>LOGAN SENKO</b>	Medal – U.S. Government Certificate – Economics Certificate – Theology IV
<b>WYATT SIMPSON</b>	Medal – Accounting I Certificate – AP Microeconomics
<b>HAO TIAN</b>	Medal – English as a Second Language Certificate – Economics

**CONNOR UPLEGGER**

Medal – History of Illinois

Certificate – Band

Certificate – English IV

**ABIGAIL WARF**

Medal – Pottery III

**MATTHEW YANKE**

Medal – Robotics I

**MEDALS OF HONOR IN SEVERAL FIELDS OF STUDY AND CERTIFICATES**

I would now like to call forth the students who have achieved the **HIGHEST ACADEMIC STANDING IN MORE THAN ONE FIELD OF STUDY** and therefore are awarded the **MEDALS OF HONOR** in those fields. These students may have also earned **ONE OR MORE CERTIFICATES OF HONOR**.

**Presenter: Mr. Tyler Eakle, Division Chairperson**

**THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS ARE ASKED TO STEP FORWARD:**

**NAME**

**ALISSA VICTORIA ARANETA**

**AWARDS**

Medal – Band

Medal – French IV

**AUDREY COLLOFELLO**

Medal – 2D Design

Medal – Studio Art

**JOSHUA DEOGAYGAY**

Medal - Precalculus

Medal - Sculpture

Certificate – Band

Certificate – English IV

Certificate – French II

**NICOLE KELLEDDY**

Medal – Advanced Handbells



**HAOSEN LU**

Medal – Journalism/Yearbook

Medal – Economics

Medal – U.S. Government

Certificate – English IV

**NAME**

**AWARDS**

**EMILY MORRISSETTE**

Medal – Pottery II

Medal – Precalculus

Certificate – AP English IV

Certificate – Human Anatomy and Physiology

Certificate – Spanish IV

**MEGAN O'BRIEN**

Medal – English IV

Medal – Theology IV

**SYDNEY PUCEL**

Medal – English IV

Medal – Spanish IV

Certificate - Bilology

Certificate – Economics

Certificate – Psychology II

Certificate – U.S. Government

**TAYLOR SHELBY**

Medal – Current Issues

Medal – Journalism/Newspaper

Certificate – International Relations

**JACK SMITH**

Medal – AP Calculus  
Medal – AP Microeconomics  
Certificate – AP Chemistry  
Certificate – AP Spanish

**KYLIE WEIS**

Medal – AP Chemistry  
Medal – AP English IV  
Medal – AP Statistics  
Medal – Economics  
Medal – U.S. Government  
Certificate – Spanish IV

**PERFECT RECORD**

**Reader: Mrs. Christina Kinsella, Assistant Dean of Students**

The Perfect Record Award is presented to students who through their seventh semester of their four years at JCA, never received a detention, referral or even a gum fine from the Deans Office.

**DANIEL ALLEN  
MARY ALLGOOD  
JACK ALT  
MADELEINE ANDERSON  
HANNAH ANTZOULATOS  
ALISSA VICTORIA ARANETA  
GRACE BANNON  
ANTHONY BLECHA  
JOSHUA BOLEK  
JACK BRICK  
ADAM BRONIEWICZ  
PEYTON BUSS  
FERNANDO CHAVEZ  
NOELLE CHOVANEC  
GRIFFIN COLEMAN  
MAXWELL CULLEN  
LOGAN DITELLO  
ALICIA DIXON  
SHEA DUFFY**

**JULIA KHATER  
KEVIN KIJAK  
JENNIFER KRIZKA  
SOPHIE KRZYSCIAK  
DARRELL MARTIN  
KATELYN MARTINI  
JOHN MCGINNIS  
EMMA MCSTEEN  
ZORA MIHELICH  
EMILY MORRISSETTE  
PATRICK MYERS  
JOHN NASH  
MEGAN O'BRIEN  
TY O'JANOVAC  
MEGAN ORTINAU  
OLIVIA PAPESH  
SARAH PIPER  
SYDNEY PUCEL  
MORGAN PURA**

TAYLOR EAHEART  
ASHLYN EGIZIO  
ANTHONY FLEISCHAUER  
ALEX FRESCURA  
ERIN GARMAN  
ALYSSA GOMEZ  
NICHOLAS GUCA  
REESE HAFNER  
LOGAN HEARN  
AUDREY HERRO  
NICHOLAS HJERPE  
EMILY HOLBROOK  
MOIRA JAROT  
ERIN JOHNSON  
HANNAH JONES  
KATHERINE JORGENSEN  
JAKE KASSEL

JOHN RAGUSA  
ADAM RANGEL  
NICHOLAS RARICK  
AVERY RESENDIZ  
JULIA REYES  
TAYLOR SHELBY  
ADAM SIMON  
WYATT SIMPSON  
MATTHEW SPREITZER  
NICHOLAS SPREITZER  
MATTHEW TRIZNA  
CAMERON TURNER  
CONNOR UPLEGGER  
CORDELIA WAGNER  
DANIEL WALDRON  
KYLIE WEIS

### **MAJOR SCHOOL AWARDS**

The moment has arrived to present **THE HIGHEST HONORS OF ACHIEVEMENT TO THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS IN THE CLASS OF 2019**. Your hard work and dedication have been an inspiration to the Joliet Catholic Academy school community.

### **HONORS PROGRAM AWARD**

**Presenter: Mr. William Pender, Vice Principal of Faculty and Operations**

The purpose of the JCA Honors Program is to challenge academically gifted students, provide them with a demanding program to meet their needs, and encourage them to reach their full academic potential.

We are proud to recognize the following students who have completed four years of honors curriculum as members of the JCA Honors Program. These young men and women have also earned the privilege of receiving an Honors Diploma.

DANIEL ALLEN  
MARY ALLGOOD  
MADELEINE ANDERSON  
ALISSA VICTORIA ARANETA  
GRACE BANNON

CONOR KLUMP  
SOPHIE KRZYSCIAK  
KATELYN MARTINI  
ZORA MIHELICH  
JOHN NASH

**ELISE CARLSON  
MAXWELL CULLEN  
SHEA DUFFY  
ERIN JOHNSON  
KATHERINE JORGENSEN**

**SYDNEY PUCEL  
ADAM RANGEL  
JACK SMITH  
CORDELIA WAGNER  
KURT WEIS  
KYLIE WEIS**

**ILLINOIS STATE SCHOLARS**

Presenter: Mrs. Kathy Major, Division Chair and College/Career Counselor

**CERTIFICATES OF ACHIEVEMENT** have been awarded for their Outstanding Academic Achievement by the **ILLINOIS STUDENT ASSISTANCE COMMISSION AND THE STATE OF ILLINOIS** to the following students:

**PLEASE COME FORWARD WHEN YOUR NAME IS READ.**

**ALISSA VICTORIA ARANETA  
PEYTON BUSS  
ELISE CARLSON  
MAXWELL CULLEN  
REESE HAFNER  
KATHERINE JORGENSEN  
JULIA KHATER  
JENNIFER KRIZKA  
SOPHIE KRZYSCIAK  
EMILY MORRISSETTE  
JOHN NASH**

**MEGAN ORTINAU  
MICHAEL PAYNE  
SARAH PIPER  
SYDNEY PUCEL  
WYATT SIMPSON  
JACK SMITH  
MATTHEW TRIZNA  
CORDELIA WAGNER  
CONNOR WARD  
KURT WEIS  
KYLIE WEIS**

**NATIONAL MERIT SCHOLAR COMMENDED STUDENTS**

Presenter: Mrs. Kathy Major, Division Chairperson & College/Career Counselor

**JACK SMITH and KYLIE WEIS**

At this time, I would like to announce the recipients of **MEDALS** in **THREE SPECIAL CATEGORIES**:

**Presenter: Dr. Jeffrey Budz, President/Principal**

**OUTSTANDING SCHOLARS**

The **JCA OUTSTANDING SCHOLAR** award is given by the faculty to students who have demonstrated excellent academic performance during their four years at JCA.

**The recipients are:**

**MADELEINE ANDERSON**

**MAXWELL CULLEN**

**EMILY MORRISSETTE**

**MATTHEW TRIZNA**

**CORDELIA WAGNER**

**OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP**

The **JCA OUTSTANDING LEADERSHIP** award is given by the faculty to students who have given of themselves in leading, organizing, and participating in school-related activities during their four years at JCA.

**The recipients are:**

**RYAN BELL**

**ABIGAIL BELLING**

**MAX BRISCOE**

**MADELINE BUSS**

**NOELLE CHOVANEC**

**ALYSSA GOMEZ**

**EMILY HOLBROOK**

**KATHERINE JORGENSEN**

**JULIA KHATER**

**CONOR KLUMP**

**SOPHIE KRZYSCIAK**

**JOHN RAGUSA**

**TAYLOR SHELBY**

**CAMERON TURNER**

## **OUTSTANDING SERVICE**

The **JCA OUTSTANDING SERVICE** award is given by the faculty to students who have, during their four years of high school, faithfully served the student body of JCA, and whose spirit of life and dedication exemplifies Christian Living.

The recipients are:

**MARY ALLGOOD**

**ALISSA VICTORIA ARANETA**

**PEYTON BUSS**

**SHEA DUFFY**

**JONAH FERRO**

**NICHOLAS HJERPE**

**ZORA MIHELICH**

**MEGAN ORTINAU**

**OLIVIA PAPESH**

**SARAH PIPER**

**SYDNEY PUCEL**

**JULIA REYES**

**WYATT SIMPSON**

**VICTORIA WEAVER**

## **SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD**

**Presenter: Mr. Daniel Sharp, Athletic Director**

Each year the Joliet Catholic Academy Athletic Department honors students who demonstrated both academic and athletic achievement.

The **JCA SCHOLAR ATHLETE AWARD** is presented to:

**JENNIFER KRIZKA and KURT WEIS**

## **JCA SPIRIT AWARD**

**Presenter: Ms. Laura Pahl, Vice Principal of Curriculum and Technology**

The **JCA SPIRIT AWARD** recognizes students who have displayed academic excellence, school spirit, cooperation, loyalty, and service to the Joliet Catholic Academy community.

The recipients of the **JCA SPIRIT AWARD** are:

**REESE HAFNER and LOGAN SENKO**

## **JCA ANGEL OF THE YEAR**

**THE JCA ANGEL OF THE YEAR AND THE JCA HILLMAN OF THE YEAR** are Joliet Catholic Academy's most prestigious awards. These awards recognize the two students who have upheld

the highest standards of the following: honesty, reliability, courtesy, and concern and respect for others. They have carried out their accepted responsibilities with enthusiasm and dedication, influenced their peers by their positive attitudes, and have given witness to the Gospel values.

**The recipient of the JCA ANGEL OF THE YEAR AWARD is:**

**MEGAN O'BRIEN**

**The recipient of the JCA HILLMAN OF THE YEAR AWARD is:**

**JACK SMITH**

**PRESENTATION OF CLASS VALEDICTORIAN AND SALUTATORIANS**

**Presenter: Dr. Jeffrey Budz, President/Principal**

Joliet Catholic Academy's Valedictorian(s) and Salutatorian(s) of the senior class are determined based on their cumulative GPA through the seventh semester. This year's outstanding academic students are:

**VALEDICTORIAN: KYLIE WEIS**

**SALUTATORIANS: SYDNEY PUCEL and JACK SMITH**

We are extremely proud of these seniors and congratulate them and their parents on this great honor and accomplishment. They join the select few of previous recipients.

**Speaker - Mr. William Pender, Vice Principal of Faculty and Operations**

On behalf of the Administration, Faculty, Staff, Board of Members, and Board of Directors of Joliet Catholic Academy, we offer our heartiest congratulations TO ALL RECIPIENTS, THEIR PARENTS, STEP-PARENTS, GUARDIANS, GRANDPARENTS, RELATIVES AND FRIENDS.

We are proud of your accomplishments.  
Thank you for sharing this evening with us.  
May St. Francis and Our Lady of Mt. Carmel watch over you.