

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Alyssa Jackson

Alyssa Jackson is the Anchor Club President and a member of my AP Spanish Language and Culture Class. She is an honor student with an outstanding work ethic, a school leader with a tremendous sense of responsibility, and most importantly a kind and compassionate young woman. Alyssa is the definition of a true champion and is very deserving of this award!

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Melissa Rizzo-Shore

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Nominator

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THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Alyssa Klassert

Alyssa demonstrates boundless energy and enthusiasm for helping people in need. She is particularly passionate about support for the LGBT community as well as those suffering from mental illness. She is passionate and dedicated to causes that seek to lift people from despair to hope. It is my honor to nominate her for this award.

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Martha Kahan

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Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Andrew Deutsch

Although I only met Andrew in September, he has made a very positive impression on me. There is a special, dignified presence about Andrew. He is quiet, yet, I know he is listening to every word. In a classroom surrounded by boisterous personalities, he shines in his own unassuming way. Andrew is highly intelligent, respectful, compassionate and kind. I am so fortunate to have come in contact with such a wonderful young student whose future holds great promise. Andrew has been through a tremendous hardship in his young life, but he perseveres with dignity and grace. Whenever I look at my students' faces and come upon Andrew's, his warm smile reminds me why I went into teaching. I look forward to seeing

Andrew's progression throughout high school, and I know he will bring joy into other teachers' lives as he has done with me. Andrew exemplifies tremendous character and that's what makes him a "Breakfast of Champion."

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Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Alisa Kremer-Parrott

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Nominator

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## Anthony Vetere

Anthony is a natural born leader in the music classroom. His talent is beyond his years. Anthony's musical abilities are marveled by all students who have the privilege to work with him. He is a leader in the Bass 1 section of my group. He always knows his parts and makes sure to sing out to help the other singers who are struggling. Anthony is a level 6 All-State Jazz pianist. He has achieved perfect scores two years in a row for All-State Jazz. He has been a part of the SCMEA All-County Jazz Program for the past two years as well as Sayville's Premier Jazz Ensemble. More impressive than his musical ability is his happy and positive demeanor. Anthony's smile and personality are infectious. He is the first to compliment and congratulate any student who has achieved a goal. He is so kind and loves making people smile. Every day, Anthony shows us all how to smile, laugh, create, and enjoy our lives through music.

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Karen DiMartino  
Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Conor Riccomini

I have had the sheer pleasure of having Conor in my Physical Education class for two years now. As a freshman, Conor initially struck me as a quiet, shy and reserved individual. However, after some time, I quickly discovered that he is actually an extremely perceptive and intuitive young man. This year, Conor has demonstrated further growth and he truly stands out in my PE class. Words that come to mind which best describe Conor – dedicated, persistent, hardworking, dependable, level headed, compassionate, humble and courageous. Conor does not seek out attention; however, his work ethic and his genuine demeanor are impossible traits to go unnoticed. Conor Riccomini is a talented student, athlete and musician. Most importantly, he is a person of real purpose and tremendous character. I am grateful to have Conor as one of my students and would hope to have him not only his first two years of high school, but his last two years as well. Congratulations Conor – you are a true champion!

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Jennifer Wittman-Cahill  
Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Daniel Palumbo

Dan exhibits a positive attitude that is contagious to the other students. I have known Dan for two years and in that time I have seen his sincerity in helping others. In class Dan is always willing to help others. Even in the most difficult times Dan maintains his positive composure. Dan has gone out of his way to make his peers feel comfortable in class.

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Sonja Anderson  
Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Dea Ahlgrim

Dea is a student who has mastered the art of being versatile. Although it's a challenge, she balances academics, social life, family responsibilities and her hobbies and interests. Her willingness to seek and accept help from her teachers is such a tremendous asset and her unwavering effort bespeaks her diligence.

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Angela O'Hoppe  
Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Emma Philbin

Emma Philbin is the kind of person that everyone should have the privilege of meeting. I met Emma during her sophomore year, as she was a member of my English class, and her sincerity and humility were immediately apparent. Although Emma was one of the top students in the class, she never assumed that she was. She worked diligently from day one to day 183. She is determined. Most importantly, though, through the three years I have known her, she has proven resilient. She has overcome obstacle with grace and dignity. Whenever I see Emma, I smile with pride because of who she represents and the role model that she is. There is no one more deserving of this recognition. I will miss Emma greatly next year.

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

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Assistant Principal

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# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

Jamie O'Connor

I remember the day I saw Jamie's name on my 12<sup>th</sup> grade roster and I was thrilled. As a 9<sup>th</sup> grader, Jamie greeted the world with enthusiasm and a brilliant smile that illuminated every room she entered. From the classroom to senior events, she continues to shine. Her outlook has always been one of optimism and perseverance and for that I greatly admire her.

I will miss Jamie.

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Katherine Van Dorn

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Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Julia Lyons

Julia is one of the most kind-hearted and gentle souls I have ever met. I have had the privilege and honor of teaching Julia for three years now and she is the only student that has literally said “Merci” every day and thanks ME for teaching HER. She has a calm demeanor and her positive attitude is contagious in the classroom. She has expressed interest in pursuing nursing or possibly becoming a dental hygienist. Julia is exactly the type of person I would want my children to see at the dentist office! You just can’t be stressed when you are in her presence. I feel blessed to have had her in class for three years. Julia, you have taught me more in your own quiet way than I have ever taught you!

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

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Jillian Makris

Assistant Principal

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Suzanne Hoss

Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Kara Intermesoli

I have had the pleasure of having Kara as a student in my SAT math class last year and presently in my Pre-Calculus class this year, and, it is both an honor and a privilege to nominate Kara for the Breakfast of Champions. Kara is a very hardworking, respectful young woman. In class, she is quiet and unassuming. She comes to class prepared and is extremely conscientious. It is very refreshing to see such an incredibly dedicated student be so consistent throughout every unit that we cover. Without a doubt, Kara takes the best notes of any student that I have ever had. Her notes are so well written that I make copies of them and then share her notes with her classmates and my other Pre-Calculus classes. This helps both classes by showing them the proper way to take notes and it also helps them to review for tests. It is such a pleasure to have Kara in class. It is obvious that her parents did an excellent job of raising Kara the right way and I'm sure that her parents are very proud of her. Without a doubt she is one of my finest students because of her ability to brighten up the room with her personality, her excellent work ethic and enthusiasm.

Sayville High School will surely miss her when she graduates.

Given this 17<sup>th</sup> day of December, 201

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Christopher Surrusco  
Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Kevin O'Halloran

Kevin is always so kind and compassionate to the students in our Life Skills class. Throughout the school day he always makes it a point to recognize and include our students during the regular routine of the day. He has gone out of his way to sit with one of the students at lunch time so that they are not all alone. He is a young man with true character.

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Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Donna Tripicovsky

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Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Liam Haber

Liam is the super hero of the RISE Program! He has the amazing power of camouflaging himself in any scenario whether it be the RISE room, a classroom, or the Galapagos...but, when logical reasoning or words of wisdom are desperately needed in a conversation, he magically appears at the forefront of that conversation! I have had the pleasure of working with Liam for the past four years which has been an honor. He is one of the most intellectually stimulating students, polite, supportive of others, and genuinely sincere!

Today I celebrate our Super Hero, Liam Haber for his generosity, his leadership, and his strong sense of school community. As he goes off to college next year, he will be missed by all, especially me!

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Jillian Makris

Assistant Principal

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Maria Brown

Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Mark Doucet

Mark possesses a character that one always hopes to find in a student. He is always eager to improve and accepts the challenges that are put in front of him. He has a great work ethic and personality.

He is a person that you want to be around. Mark's musicianship is first rate and he really helps make our ensembles the best they can be. I am thrilled to be associated with Mark, and I am certain that Sayville Schools will be very proud of his accomplishments in the future.

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Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Andrew Giammalvo

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Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Matthew Laskowitz

Because Matt is always polite, honest, respectful, and conscientious, he can easily “fall under the radar” and go unnoticed. So, I want to take this opportunity to recognize Matt for being such a pleasure to have as a student in my class and for always doing the right thing.

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Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Christine Murfitt

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Nominator

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## Nicholas Cowan

Passionate, driven, focused, creative, thirst for knowledge, and kind...those are just a few of the words that come to mind when I think of Nicholas Cowan! I first had the pleasure of meeting Nick the summer before he entered the high school as he was unsure whether the RISE Program was going to be a good fit for him. He decided to stay in the RISE Program and has learned more about architecture than most college students have in the past four years. This is a result of his intense focus on meeting goals he sets for himself combined with his desire to express his creative side. I can honestly say, I never had a student like him. Over the past four years I have found myself trying to keep up to Nick. Not only is Nick the model RISE student, he is incredibly kind and polite. He is always willing to help another student and he goes out of his way to thank all of the faculty and people who have worked with him on his projects over the years. Thank you Nick for all of your hard work over the past four years. You have defined what the STEM Academy student should look like at the end of four years and have provided so many projects to inspire future students in the STEM and RISE Programs.

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Maria Brown  
Nominator



# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Nicole Sgroi

I have had the pleasure of teaching Nicole Sgroi since her sophomore year. She is a bright conscientious and mature young woman with a fantastic sense of “joie de vivre.” Every day she brings enthusiasm, dedication and a love of all things French to class and I am so grateful to have had the opportunity to be her teacher. I wish her all the very best as she heads off to college next fall.

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Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Christine Richter-Seidenberg

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Nominator

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THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Salvatore Prevosto

Sal truly exemplifies fine character and serves as an excellent role model. He is kind, thoughtful and displays an incredible work ethic. Truly a teacher's delight, Sal wants to succeed and works very hard to accomplish his goals. It is an honor to have Sal as a student and a History Club member. He is an incredible young man of which his parents can be very proud!

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Susan Hart

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Nominator

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THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Shaun Keane

Shaun Keane is an exceptional young man. I had the pleasure of teaching Shaun last year in my 11<sup>th</sup> grade English class. As a student, Shaun was always polite and respectful and engaged in learning; he put forth obvious effort, but it was at the beginning of this year that Shaun's true character really stood out, and I recognized him as one of the most mature students I have had the pleasure of knowing. Earlier this year, I was fortunate to have a conversation with Shaun in which he shared with me a personal challenge he was facing. As I listened to him tell me about his summer, I admired his ability to have such a positive attitude. Shaun's optimistic outlook exceeded my expectations; he displayed strength and maturity. Shaun is completely capable of finding a silver lining which I found refreshing. Shaun makes our school a better place by simply being who he is. He works diligently 100% of the time, he never makes excuses, and he deserves to be recognized for his resilience, his perseverance, and his positive influence as a role model in our high school.

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Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Amy Thomas

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Nominator

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THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Shreeya Panigrahi

It is my pleasure to nominate Shreeya Panigrahi for the honor of being a “Breakfast of Champion” recipient. For the past four years I have had the opportunity to instruct Shreeya as a member of Sayville’s select String Ensemble, the Sayville Quartet, the Sayville Chamber Orchestra, and the Pit Orchestra. In orchestra, Shreeya is always well prepared and her natural talents combined with motivation, self-discipline, and leadership abilities allow her to be an exemplary model for the classroom. On several occasions, Shreeya has been observed helping other students understand a difficult concept that she has already mastered. She exemplifies patience and concern when helping her fellow classmates. Shreeya’s talents and gifts are not the only reason she is here today. Any time I ask Shreeya to help out, whether it is a Chamber Concert at LIMA, a night to play music for underprivileged children, or even on a morning like this, at the Breakfast of Champions, Shreeya smiles and always says yes. She is not eager to please, for the sake of pleasing. Shreeya pleases out of the result of her genuine nature.

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Jillian Makris  
Assistant Principal

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Ari Kramer  
Nominator

# SAYVILLE HIGH SCHOOL BREAKFAST OF CHAMPIONS

THIS CERTIFICATE IS AWARDED TO:

## Tara Litvin

For the last five years I have been extremely fortunate to have Tara Litvin as my student! From 8<sup>th</sup> grade to her senior year she has embodied what it means to be an art student. She is creative, inspired, passionate, and best of all, is always there to help me. Her kindness and benevolent energy has been a gift to my classroom. Being a teacher is not easy but it is students like Tara that make it all worth it. Thank you for always being the student I could count on!

Given this 17<sup>TH</sup> day of December, 2014

Jillian Makris

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Assistant Principal

Eva Hammer

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Nominator