WHIPPANY PARK HIGH SCHOOL

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NATIONAL AND STATE RECOGNITION: Whippany Park High School was rated by the U.S. News and World Report as a 2023 Best High School in the nation. Additionally, Whippany Park was rated in the 2023 Top 100 School Districts in NJ High School by Niche.com. Whippany Park was also recognized by the College Board as an AP Honor Roll School as well as the College Board AP Access Award. Whippany Park High School was awarded a 2019, 2020, 2021, & 2022 College Success award by Greatschools.org and was rated number 47 in New Jersey Monthly Top 100 High Schools of 2018. Whippany Park High School was also recognized Nationally and Statewide in the Washington Post America's Most Challenging High Schools.

CHARACTER EDUCATION: The Hanover Park Regional High School District was again recognized by the Character Education Partnership of Washington D.C. and the New Jersey Alliance for Social and Emotional Development as both a State and National District of Character. The Whippany Park World Language Department also received a Promising Practice Award for its annual Bilingual Open House.

SCHOLARS: 4 students were National Merit Scholars which placed them in the top 5% of all college bound seniors in the country and received National Merit Letters of Commendation. 15 students were Presidential Award for Education Excellence winners; 2 students were nominated to the NJ Scholars Program; 2 students were nominated for the Governor's School - 1 in Engineering and Technology and 1 in the Sciences; 8 were students selected to NJ Boys (6) and Girls (2) State; 2 students participated in the Hugh O'Brian Youth Leadership Summit; 84 students were inducted into the John Richards Chapter of the National Honor Society. Most impressively, 52 members of the Class of 2024 earned at least one of 136 scholarships awarded to them to aid their pursuit of higher education.

ADVANCED PLACEMENT / SAT/ ACT: 529 AP tests were administered in 2024; 83% of scores were a 3 or better; 96 students received honors recognition by the College Board; 47 students were named AP Scholars with Distinction; 13 students were named AP Scholars with Honor, and 36 students were named AP Scholars; 4 students were recognized with the College Board National Hispanic Recognition Award; 8 students were awarded the State Seal of Biliteracy; 4 students achieved a perfect score of 800 on either the SAT, SAT I or SAT II or a perfect score of 36 on the ACT; Whippany Park's SAT Average score also continues to surpass the State and National SAT average combined score in Math, Critical Reading, and Writing.

CO-CURRICULAR ACTIVITIES: Whippany Park offers more than 30 clubs and activities for our student body. Among the many achievements of these clubs, 3 decathletes of the Academic Team won a bronze medal in Literature, bronze medal in Mathematics, bronze medal in Science, and honorable mention in Mathematics at the Academic Decathlon Regionals Competition. 14 students who competed at FBLA Regions qualified for the state competition with 3 attending the national competition while 1 student held a state leadership position - State Vice President of Membership. Last year, a student in Math Club placed 2nd overall at the Seton Hall Joseph W. Andrushkiw High School Math Competition. Additionally, a student earned 2nd place as an individual with the second highest score across 510 students statewide in the Monmouth University Math Contest for students taking Pre-Calculus.

ARTS: 6 members of the class of the marching band qualified for the All Area and All Region Band. The Marching Band composed of over 150 members performed at all home football games. Additionally, the Marching Band won a silver award at the Wayne Hills Marching Band Festival. The Concert Band, Jazz Band, Madrigal singers and Concert Choir held live concerts throughout the year. The theater department produced two shows, Murder on the Orient Express and Freaky Friday. Two Visual Art students' drawings were chosen to represent Whippany Park High School in the Congressional Art Competition which was displayed at the George Segal Gallery at Montclair University. The Visual Art Department also had 3 students earn awards at the Morris County Teen Arts Exhibition in May, 2024. One student won 3rd Place for their colored pencil drawing, *Details of Life*, which also traveled to the State Competition at Middlesex Community College in May. One student won second

place for their photograph, *Reflections*. These two students' artworks were among only 20 chosen in the 2D category from Morris County that earned eligibility to show at the State Competition. In addition, one student won Honorable mention in the Painting category at the Morris County Teen Arts Exhibit.

ATHLETICS: 1 state sectionals championship was won in Boys Spring Track. 3 conference championships were won in Girls Cross Country, Baseball, and Girls Spring Track. Several members of the class of 2024 will continue to compete athletically in college. Yet, perhaps the most impressive achievement is that 4 Team Sportsmanship Awards were won by Whippany Park this year.

S**CHOLARSHIPS & COLLEGE ACCEPTANCE:** Over 130 local and collegiate scholarships were awarded to the Whippany Park High School Class of 2024. Members of the Class of 2024 were accepted into various 2 and 4 year colleges and universities from across the United States. Notable acceptances include: Albertus Magnus College, American University, Auburn University, Barnard College, Baylor University, Binghamton University, Boston College, Bucknell University, Clemson University, Coastal Carolina University, Colgate University, College of Charleston, Cornell University, County College of Morris, DePaul University, Dickinson College, Drew University, Drexel University, Duquesne University, Elon University, Fairfield University, Fairleigh Dickinson University, Florida International University, Florida State University, Fordham University, Franklin & Marshall College, George Mason University, Georgetown University, George Washington University, Gettysburg College, Hamilton College, High Point University, Hofstra University, Indiana University, Ithaca College, James Madison University, Lafayette College, Lehigh University, Louisiana State University, Loyola University, Lynn University, Marist College, Marshall University, Michigan State University, Monmouth University, Montclair State University, Morgan State University, Muhlenberg College, New Jersey Institute of Technology, New York Institute of Technology, New York University, North Carolina State University, Northeastern University, Ohio State University, Pennsylvania College of Technology, Pennsylvania State University, Princeton University, Providence College, Purdue University, Quinnipiac University, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Rider University, Rochester Institute of Technology, Rutgers University, Sacred Heart University, St. Bonaventure University, St. John's University, Saint Joseph's University, Saint Louis University, School of the Art Institute of Chicago, Seton Hall University, Siena College, Skidmore College, Stevens Institute of Technology, Stony Brook University, SUNY: Cortland, New Paltz, Oneonta, & Oswego, Syracuse University, Temple University, Texas A&M University, The College of New Jersey, Towson University, University at Albany, University at Buffalo, University of Alabama, University of Arizona, UCLA, University of Colorado, University of Connecticut, University of Delaware, University of Florida, University of Georgia, University of Hartford, University of Illinois, University of Kentucky, University of Maine, University of Maryland, University of Massachusetts, University of Miami, University of Michigan, University of Minnesota, University of Mississippi, University of Nebraska, University of New Hampshire, University of North Carolina, University of Notre Dame, University of Pittsburgh, University of Rhode Island, University of Rochester, University of South Carolina, University of Tennessee, University of Vermont, University of Virginia, University of Wisconsin, Villanova University, Virginia Tech, Virginia Wesleyan University, Washington & Lee University, Wellesley College, West Virginia University, and William & Mary.

INTERNATIONAL UNIVERSITIES: King's College London (University of London), McGill University, The American University of Paris, The London School of Economics, University College- London, University of Edinburgh, University of Glasgow, and the University of St. Andrews.