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## **DR. DONALD B. MURPHY IS NAMED AS NEW SUPERINTENDENT OF HAUPPAUGE SCHOOLS**

After a comprehensive and exhaustive search process, the Hauppauge UFSD Board of Education has selected Dr. Donald Murphy as its next Superintendent of Schools, effective July 1, 2021. The Board spent several months gathering feedback from stakeholders and reflecting on the skills the school district needed in its next Superintendent of Schools. "A priority for the Board was ensuring the individual had strong leadership skills and the ability to continue moving the district and its initiatives forward," said Board President, Mr. David M. Barshay.

Dr. Murphy, who will be officially appointed at the June 8, 2021 Board meeting, has been with the district since 2012, originally serving as the Director of Math and Information Systems. He was promoted to the position of Assistant Superintendent for Curriculum, Instruction and Technology in 2015. In that position Dr. Murphy, who has a tireless work ethic, has proven to be a dedicated and passionate advocate for all students. In addition, he has confirmed himself to be a capable leader in the areas of curriculum, instruction, technology, data-driven educational leadership and learning, as well as professional development.

Dr. Murphy presently oversees all aspects of the district's educational programming and technology, including leading the district stakeholders in the development of the COVID-19 Reopening Plan. Hauppauge is one of only a small handful of school districts in Suffolk County that has offered in-person instruction to students in kindergarten through twelfth grade beginning in September of 2020. Mr. Barshay indicated that although the pool of candidates was strong, having the ability to observe Dr. Murphy's leadership skills, decision making, clear communication and devotion to the district and its students through such a challenging time was key to setting him apart from other candidates.

Dr. Murphy in expressing his gratitude to the Board stated, "I want to thank the Board of Education for putting their trust in me to serve as the next Superintendent of Schools. Hauppauge has been my home for the past nine years, and I am thrilled to get started in my new role."

Mr. Barshay also expressed appreciation for the collaboration of stakeholder leadership in the search process. This included, bargaining unit heads, Kevin Giachetti, (Hauppauge Teachers and Teaching Assistants Associations), Katie Lloyd, (Hauppauge Schools Office Staff Association), Doreen Gordon and Rebecca Bilski, (Hauppauge Association of Administrative Personnel), Steve Nelson, (Hauppauge United Public Service Employees Union) as well as Judith Olachea, Hauppauge PTA Council President. "The unique perspectives these individuals brought to the process was invaluable to the Board," said Barshay.



**Dr. Donald B. Murphy**

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## JOSEPH TASMAN IS NAMED DEPUTY SUPERINTENDENT OF HAUPPAUGE SCHOOLS

In the way of additional Central Office restructuring, the Board of Education has also promoted Mr. Joseph Tasman to Deputy Superintendent. According to Mr. Barshay, "This promotional appointment of Mr. Tasman, who has been employed by the District since 1995 in varying capacities, most recently as the Assistant Superintendent for Personnel and Administration, will solidify an already strong leadership team for years to come." Barshay continued, "Mr. Tasman's loyalty and dedication to the students of Hauppauge is unparalleled."

Congratulations to Dr. Murphy and Mr. Tasman on their new positions in our school district. We wish them success in all of their future endeavors on behalf of our students.



Mr. Joseph C. Tasman





# INDIVIDUAL SPORTS AWARDS ARE ANNOUNCED FOR 2020/2021

The following students were recognized for their sports achievements for Fall 2020/2021;

## Football

Matteo Cartafalsa - All-County  
Anthony Russo - All-County  
Michael Sas - All-County  
Aiden Chu - 1st Team All-Division  
Erik Quinonez - 2nd Team All-Division  
Dylan Sas - 2nd Team All-Division  
Phoenix Walker - 2nd Team All-Division



## Cheer

Alexa Waters - All-County  
Alexa DiBenedetto - All-County  
Lily Gennari - All-County Academic

## Boys Cross Country

Dan Derby - All-Division / All-League  
James Martinez - All-League

## Girls Cross Country

Keira Choiski - All-County  
Keira Choinski - All-League  
Reese Coughlin - All-League  
Gianna Dickson - All-League  
Abigail Clarke - Academic All-County  
Gianna Dickson - Academic All-County

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# SPORTS AWARDS

## Boys Golf

Grant Faber - All-County

Chris Kirby - All-County

## Gymnastics

Gabriella Margolies - All-County

Lydia Abruzzo - All-County

Aliya Betting - All-League

Isabella Lefebvre - All-League

Victoria Rivera - All-League

## Boys Soccer

Tim Hug - All-County / 2nd Team All-Long Island

Aidan Augeri - All-County

Brett Kelly - All-Conference

Luke Augeri - All-Conference

Zack DelGuidice - All-League

Ryan Rush - All-League



## Girls Soccer

Samantha Sattanino - All-County/League V Player of the Year/2nd Team All-Long Island

Madison O'Connor - All-County

Alicia Inkeles - All-Conference

Kathryn Fine - All-Conference

Jamie Devine - All-League

Stefania Abruscato - All-League

Ryan Tursellino - All-League

## Girls Swimming & Diving

Hailey Wilcox - All-Long Island / All-County / All-League

Danielle Ingrassia - All-League

Mary Schroeder - All-League



# SPORTS AWARDS

## Girls Tennis

Andriana Zaphiris - All-County  
Melody Cheng - All-League  
Sophia Rosato - All-League  
Riya Takhar - All-League  
Roop Takhar - All-League



**Girls Varsity Tennis Team**

## Boys Volleyball

Christopher Boudreau - All-County / All-Division  
Alex Knopf - All-Division  
Alexander Krilovitch - Academic All-County / All-Division Honorable Mention

## Girls Volleyball

Bella Salvia - All-League  
Samantha Babich - All-League  
Ravaé McCleary - All-League  
Nicole Petrocelli - All-Conference  
(she was also selected to the All-County Tournament Team,  
All-County Academic, and the Suffolk County Exceptional Senior)

Congratulations to all of our athletes!

# GO EAGLES !!!



## BRETTON WOODS STUDENTS WEAR RED TO SUPPORT ALS AWARENESS MONTH

On Friday, May 14th, Bretton Woods was a sea of **RED** as students and staff dressed in unison in support of ALS Awareness Month which is celebrated annually in May! ALS, or Amyotrophic Lateral Sclerosis, is a progressive neurodegenerative disease that affects nerve cells in the brain and the spinal cord.

During ALS Awareness Month in May, the ALS Ride for Life charity conducts the annual Ride For Life, a major patient advocacy event. Over many days, patients in electric wheelchairs or scooters, journey a lengthy route spreading awareness, information and raising funds. The Ride for Life has even visited Bretton Woods along their route in the past! ALS Ride for Life founder, Chris Pendergast sadly lost his battle with the disease in the fall of 2020, but his legacy lives on. While the Ride for Life won't take place this year, they plan to continue their mission for years to come.

In addition to wearing red, the students decorated ribbons that were displayed in the main hallway, and viewed a video sharing information about the ALS Ride for Life (You can see the video by clicking the following link: [ALS Video 2021](#).) The staff also raised funds for this worthy cause by holding a jeans day. If you would like more information on ALS or the ALS Ride for Life, you can visit the official ALS Ride For Life website by [clicking here](#).

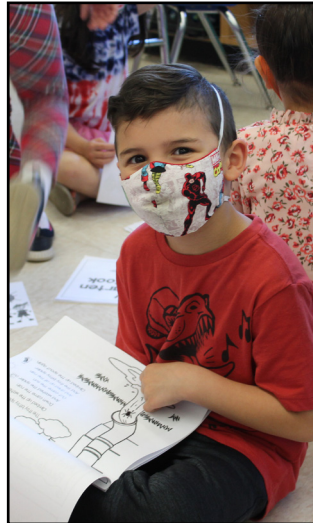
Here are some great photos of our students and staff.



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# BW ALS AWARENESS





## MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS COMPETE IN "AL KAFUS LONG ISLAND MATH FAIR"

Hauppauge students have once again brought pride to our district through their outstanding efforts in the Long Island Math Fair. This year the contest was modified due to the current health pandemic that prevented contestants from coming together to present their topics at Hofstra University. Instead, contestants were asked to prepare a 10 minute video presentation in addition to their research papers.

Hauppauge School District's team was overseen by Mrs. DeMaio and Mr. Boyle. The students who participated in the competition this year were

Pranav Vijayababu - 7th Grade

Srihan Adabala, 8th Grade

Snehal Adabala, 11th Grade

Sahishnu Sagiraju, 11th Grade

Each student prepared a research paper and video presentation on a topic of their choosing. Their projects were developed outside of school, taking on this task as independent work. Due to the advanced nature of each of their topics, time was spent learning the fundamentals of the concepts they each delved into, as well as the specific applications of each topic. Their work is impressive, each studying concepts well beyond the expectations of a student their age.

Each of Hauppauge's contestants were recognized by the judges for their exemplary work:

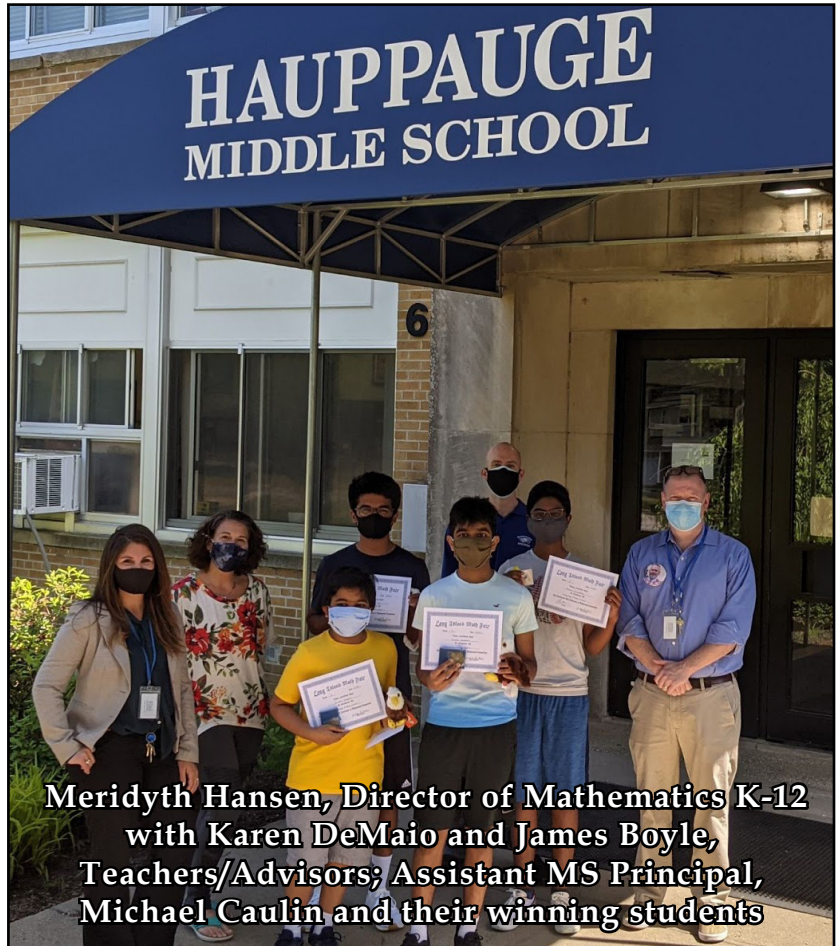
Pranav's paper on Golden Ratio Philosophy earned a Silver award.

Sahishnu's paper on Four Color Map Problem earned a Silver award.

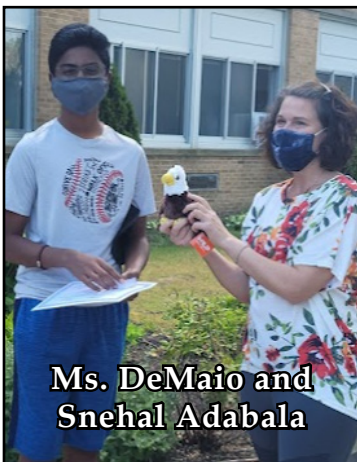
Srihan's paper on Catalan Numbers earned a Gold Award.

Snehal's paper on Statistical Analysis in Sports earned a Gold Award.

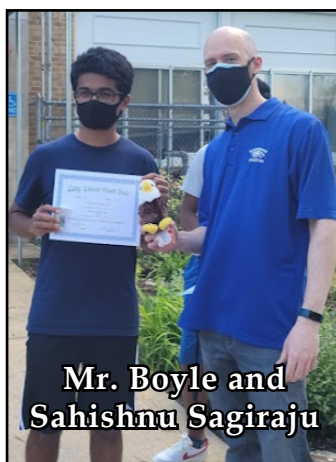
Congratulations to Pranav, Srihan, Snehal, and Sahi on your outstanding effort and achievement.



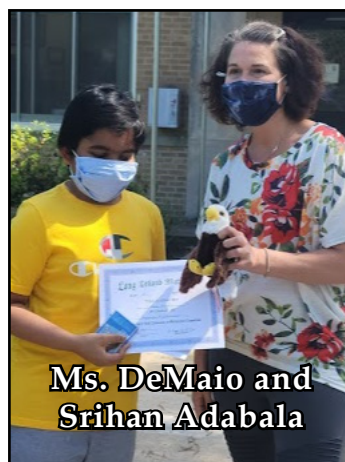
**Meridyth Hansen, Director of Mathematics K-12  
with Karen DeMaio and James Boyle,  
Teachers/Advisors; Assistant MS Principal,  
Michael Caulin and their winning students**



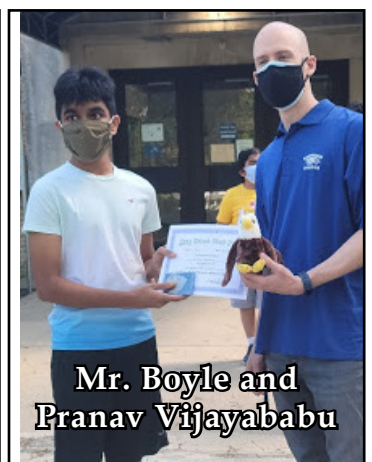
**Ms. DeMaio and  
Snehal Adabala**



**Mr. Boyle and  
Sahishnu Sagiraju**



**Ms. DeMaio and  
Srihan Adabala**



**Mr. Boyle and  
Pranav Vijayababu**



# SALUTE TO SENIORS



**ABIGAIL  
CLARKE**



**BIOLOGY &  
CHEMISTRY  
PRE-VET**

**DIV. I  
EQUESTRIAN**

Abigail Clarke will attend Long Island University Post where she will study Biology and Chemistry on a Pre-Vet Track on a Presidential Scholarship. Abigail will also be on the LIU Post Sharks Division I Equestrian Team. During high school, Abigail enjoyed being Captain of Varsity Cross Country and running Winter and Spring Track. Abigail is an IB Diploma Candidate and an AP Scholar who was inducted into the National Honor Society, the Spanish Honor Society, the English Honor Society, and the Science Honor Society. Abigail was also Academic All-County for Cross Country and Rookie of the Year for Spring Track. Congratulations, Abigail!

Layla Keen  
will attend  
Marist College  
where she will study  
International Business.  
Congratulations, Layla!



**LAYLA  
KEEN**



**INTERNATIONAL  
BUSINESS**

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**MATTHEW  
LANG**



**ENGINEERING  
SCIENCE**

Matthew Lang  
will attend  
Suffolk Community College  
where he will study  
Engineering Science.  
During high school,  
Matthew studied  
Computer Graphic Arts  
at the  
Islip Career Center.  
Matthew has earned the  
Rank of Eagle Scout  
and was awarded the  
Order of the Arrow.  
Matthew has also  
competed at NYSSMA.  
Congratulations, Matthew!

Taylor Scarito  
will attend  
Quinnipiac University  
where she will study  
Radiology on a  
Dean's Scholarship.  
During high school,  
Taylor enjoyed participating in  
Spanish Club,  
the Class of 2021 Club,  
and Ignition.  
Taylor was on the  
High Honor Roll.  
Congratulations, Taylor!



**TAYLOR  
SCARITO**



**RADIOLOGY**





## CHRISTOPHER BOUDREAU



## BIOMEDICAL ENGINEERING

Christopher Boudreau  
will attend  
Binghamton University  
where he will study  
Biomedical Engineering.  
Congratulations, Christopher!

Andrew Sellitto  
will attend  
Muhlenberg College  
where he will study  
Finance on a  
Merit Scholarship.  
Andrew will also play  
Division III Lacrosse for the  
Muhlenberg Mules.  
During high school,  
Andrew enjoyed playing  
Varsity Soccer and  
Varsity Lacrosse.  
Andrew served as Captain  
for both teams.  
Congratulations, Andrew!



## ANDREW SELLITTO



## DIV. III LACROSSE



# SALUTE TO SENIORS



**KASSANDRA  
LOCCISANO**



**PSYCHOLOGY**

Kassandra Loccisano  
will attend  
Sacred Heart University  
where she will study  
Psychology  
and will be a member of the  
Color Guard Team.  
During high school,  
Kassandra enjoyed  
participating in DECA,  
Color Guard, Drama Club, and  
Stage Crew.  
Congratulations, Kassandra!

Kevin Drake  
will attend  
SUNY Cortland  
where he will study  
Criminology.  
During high school,  
Kevin enjoyed being a  
member of the  
Chamber Choir  
for four years,  
serving as Secretary  
for two years.  
Kevin was also  
a member of the the  
History Club and the  
Spanish Club  
and played hockey  
throughout high school.  
Congratulations, Kevin!



**KEVIN  
DRAKE**

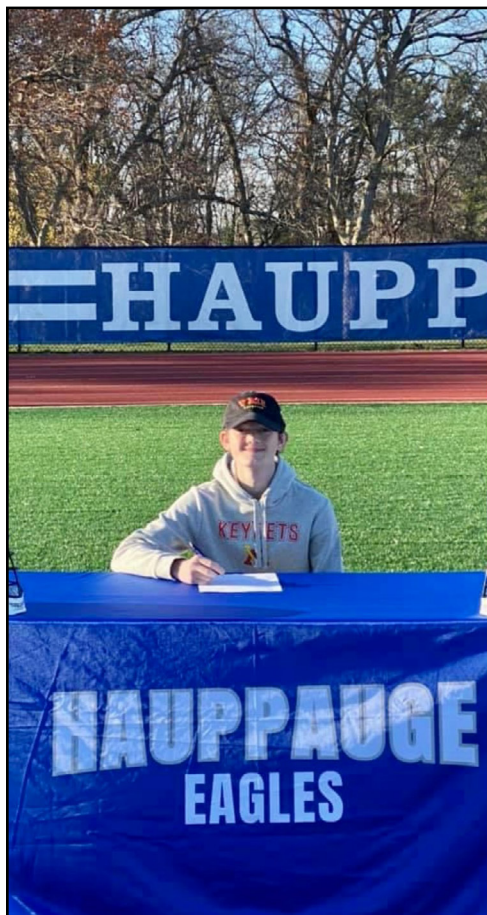


**CRIMINOLOGY**

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# SALUTE TO SENIORS



**DAMIAN  
LEVIN**



**BIOLOGY**  
**DIV. I**  
**LACROSSE**

Damian Levin will attend the Virginia Military Institute where he will study Biology and will play Division I Lacrosse for the VMI Keydets. During high school, Damian enjoyed playing Varsity Football, Varsity Lacrosse, and anchoring the morning announcements. Damian was a National Merit Scholar Commended Student, a NYS Scholar Athlete, and a High Honor Roll student who was inducted into the National Honor Society and the Spanish Honor Society. Damian played for the (U17) Team Israel National Lacrosse Team and participated in the National Congress of Future Scientists and Technologists. Congratulations, Damian!

Anne Lamendola will attend the University of Rhode Island where she will study Civil Engineering. During high school, Anne enjoyed participating in Wind Ensemble, Drama Club, Marching Band, and JV Softball. Anne is an AP scholar who was inducted into the National Honor Society, the German Honor Society, and the Tri-M Music Honor Society, for which she serves as Treasurer. Congratulations, Anne!



**ANNE  
LAMENDOLA**



**CIVIL  
ENGINEERING**

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# SALUTE TO SENIORS



**JOHN  
BRYAN**



**CYBERSECURITY**

*John Bryan  
will attend  
Suffolk Community College  
where he will study  
Cybersecurity.  
Congratulations, John!*



**OLIVIA  
AGUILAR**



**APPLIED  
ACCOUNTING  
& FINANCE**

*Olivia Aguilar  
will attend  
Fordham University  
where she will study  
Applied Accounting  
and Finance.  
During high school,  
Olivia enjoyed  
participating in  
French Club.  
Olivia was inducted into the  
French Honor Society  
and the  
Science Honor Society.  
Congratulations, Olivia!*

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**JULIA  
TACCA**



**MARKETING**

*Julia Tacca  
will attend  
Florida State University  
where she will  
study Marketing.  
During high school,  
Julia enjoyed playing  
Varsity Lacrosse  
and participating in  
Spanish Club, DECA,  
the Class of 2021 Club,  
and Junior Achievement.  
Julia was inducted into the  
Spanish Honor Society.  
Congratulations, Julia!*

*Martine MacDonald  
will attend the  
University of Rhode Island  
as a Pre-Vet student.  
Martine will also be on the  
URI Rams Division I  
Track and Field Team.  
Congratulations, Martine!*



**MARTINE  
MACDONALD**



**PRE-VET**  

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**DIV. I TRACK &  
FIELD**



# SALUTE TO SENIORS



## RYAN MARTINES



RIDER  
UNIVERSITY

## COMPUTER SCIENCE

*Ryan Martines  
will attend  
Rider University  
where he will study  
Computer Science on a  
Founders Award Scholarship.*

*During high school,  
Ryan enjoyed being on the  
Varsity Bowling and  
Varsity Cross Country teams  
and participating in the  
Chess Club.*

*Ryan is a Life Scout  
working towards the rank of  
Eagle Scout.*

*Congratulations, Ryan!*

*Will Downey  
will attend  
SUNY Plattsburgh  
where he will study  
Marketing.  
During high school,  
Will enjoyed running  
JV and Varsity  
Cross Country  
and four years of  
Varsity Winter and Spring Track.  
Will participated in DECA,  
winning at Regionals  
and competing at the  
DECA States and is also a  
New York State EMT.  
Congratulations, Will!*



## WILL DOWNEY



## MARKETING



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