June 3 BOE Meeting Recognitions as of 5.31.2019

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| **School** | **Individual/Group** | **Title** | **Description** |
| Liberty Bob Klemt | Matthew McDonald | Geography Bee | 8th grade student Matthew McDonald won the Liberty school competition in January and the state of NJ Champion competition held at Rowan University in March. Next for Matthew, the National Championship held at National Geographic Society headquarters in Washington, D.C.on May 19th-22nd. |
| Redwood Tim Beaumont | Isabella Chen | TV appearance (HBO's Sesame Street) | Isabella represented Redwood and the District by successfully auditioning for, and appearing in, an episode of HBO's Sesame Street. Isabelle demonstrated the confidence, enthusiasm, and skills that she has developed during her time as a student in the District. |
| Redwood Ken Alper | Kimya Jackson | Educator of the Year | WOCC |
| WOHS  Science Dept. Stephanie Suriano | Max Dickman | Regional Chemistry Olympiad Winner | Max Dickman was successful in the regional competition of the International Chemistry Olympiad. He will move on to the national level and possibly the international finals in Paris. |
| WOHS  ELA Dept. Liz Veneziano | Amber Goldberg | Outstanding Accomplishment in Creative Writing | Amber's short story, "War Among Witches," earned a silver medal in the 2019 New Jersey Council of Teachers of English Writing Contest. |
| WOHS  ELA Dept. Liz Veneziano | Maria Nalieth | Outstanding Achievement in Creative Writing | Maria Nalieth's short story, "Broken Hearts," earned a bronze award in the 2019 New Jersey Council of Teachers of English Writing Contest. |
| WOHS  ELA Dept. Liz Veneziano | Simone Hilliard | Outstanding Achievement in Creative Writing | Simone's short story "Bad Luck" earned a gold medal in the 2019 NJCTE High School Writing Contest, qualifying her for the prestigious Governor's Award in Arts Education. |
| Edison & WOHS ELA  Department Terry  Trigg-Scales | Maheen Ahmad, Arturo Rodriguez, Jennifer Studnicky |  | This year three ELA teachers, Maheen Ahmad and Arturo Rodriguez from Edison and Jennifer Studnicky from WOHS, applied and were accepted to work with the NJ Department of Education to develop model lessons, professional development modules for NJ teachers as well as provide feedback and aid in the development of revising the state assessments. |
| WOHS  Career Ed. Dept.  Nancy Mullin | Shrey Sanghvi, Brett Zeligson, Stanley Lim,  and Anay Badlani. | Skills USA State Championships: Quiz Bowl Third Place | Anay Badlani- Advisor Dr. Cheryl Ann Dunlap Skills USA Quiz Bowl State Third place |
| WOHS  Career Ed. Dept.  Nancy Mullin | Marissa Edelman, Jordan Fenske, Nanma Biju, Lorelle Adames, Ashley Azana, Blessing Ezebube, | FCCLA State Competition Winners | Students from WOHS attended the Family, Community and Career Leaders of America (FCCLA) state spring conference The students received 2 gold medals, 2 silver medals, and one bronze medal in various events. |

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|  | Kori Issac, Ashley Azana, and Faith Nzegwu and advisor Jill Kantrowitz |  |  |
| Mark Robertson | Sangeeta and Sunil Badlani and the Nikhil Badlani Foundation | Education Advocacy & Collaboration | For unequalled partnership with West Orange Schools, raising student awareness, activism, and policy advocacy for traffic safety, to stop distracted driving; and for enriching youth music education through music lessons, concerts and college scholarships. |
| Mark Robertson | Tim Brennan | Award for Youth Development & Educational Partnership | Award for youth development and educational partnership, as Scout Master for Boy Scouts Troop 2, and as former President of the West Orange Chamber of Commerce, providing college scholarships for West Orange High School’s graduates. |
| Sandra Mordecai | William Farley |  | Jubilee choir, jazz trio, black history month dinner, and the singing and arrangements at every graduation. For all his hard work and many accolades the choir, jazz and step and drill team receive every year. Including Oke, one of our recent graduates who went on to win a Tony in Hamilton, and many other students who have participated in musicals, etc. |
| Sandra Mordecai | Marie DeMaio | Legacy Award | 56 years dedicated to the public schools of West Orange |
| Sandra Mordecai | Cynthia Hadley-Bailey,  President, Rotary Club |  | Rotary gives out annual scholarships to our high school students and donates dictionaries to all our 3rd graders every year for several years.  This year and last year Rotary also donated backpacks to Kelly and Redwood Schools. |
| Sandra Mordecai | Sally Malech, West Orange Chamber of Commerce |  | West Orange Chamber awards annual scholarships to our students and member companies gives internships to our students and recognizes our high achieving students at their annual breakfast where the Mayor gives the "State of the Township" address |
| District Cheryl Merklinger | Ron Bligh | Athletic Director of the Year | Super Essex Conference & Essex County Athletic Directors Association |
| WOHS  Athletic Dept.  Ron Bligh | Girls Track and Field Team Flecia Blake |  | Won Essex County Triple Crown for the first time since 2003. |
| WOHS  Athletic Dept.  Ron Bligh | Golfer Tyler Galantini |  | Won first state title in the history of WOHS. |
| WOHS  Athletic Dept.  Ron Bligh | Boys Volleyball Team |  | Won division championship in its first year-ever. |

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| WOHS  Athletic Dept.  Ron Bligh | Girls Basketball |  | Won ECT championship. |
| WOHS  Athletic Dept.  Ron Bligh | Bowling |  | Won division and regional titles. |
| WOHS  Music Dept. Lou Q. | Proggya Paromita | Silver Key award in the Scholastic Arts competition. | Congratulations to AP art student, Proggya Paromita, who won a Silver Key award in the Scholastic Arts competition. In addition, Proggya Paromita won 2nd place in the mixed media category for the Annual Congressional Art Show which took place at the Newark Museum. |
| WOHS  Music Dept. Lou Q. | Destiny Diggs-Pinto | 2019 [National](http://www.youngarts.org/) [YoungArts Foundation](http://www.youngarts.org/) (YoungArts) Merit winner | MIAMI, FL (January 14 2019) –Destiny Diggs-Pinto of West Orange , New Jersey from WEST ORANGE HIGH SCHOOL, has been named a 2019 [National YoungArts Foundation](http://www.youngarts.org/) (YoungArts) Merit winner in JAZZ DOUBLE BASS. Selected from the most competitive pool of applicants to date,  DIGGS-PINTO has been recognized for her outstanding artistic achievements and joins 710 of the nation’s most promising young artists from 44 states across the literary, visual, design and performing arts. Winners receive cash awards of up to  $10,000, opportunities to participate in YoungArts programs nationwide and engage with renowned mentors and guidance in taking important steps toward achieving their artistic goals. A complete list of the 2019 winners, all 15–18 years old or in grades 10–12, is available online at. Destiny will be attending Manhattan School of Music on full tuition scholarship in the fall of 2019 and will be studying from the great jazz artist, Ron Carter |
| WOHS  Music Dept. Lou Q. | Louis Kravitz |  | Congratulations to Louis Kravitz for being accepted into the North Jersey Area Band, Region 1 Band, All-State Band, and All-Eastern ensemble. Louis will be attending the Butler School of Music at the University of Texas at Austin. |
| WOHS  Music Dept. Lou Q. | Kristy Lopez | nominated for the 39th Annual NJ Governor's Awards in Arts Education. | Kristy Lopez, Art Teacher as Liberty & Roosevelt Middle School was nominated for the 39th Annual NJ Governor's Awards in Arts Education. The qualification for this nomination was through the National Art Educators Association Award of Excellence for Youth Art Month. |
| WOHS  Math Dept. Lynn Steinberg | Algebra 2 Team: Senay Dani, Carlos Herbozo, Nooha Kawsar, Masarrah Assad, Nathaniel Vinoya.  Geometry Team: Emily Liew, Valentina Pappano, Trinity Rojas, Carter Sampson, Ayush Narain  Calculus Team: | Essex County Math League 3rd Place | Congratulations to the Math Team who won 4 trophies in the Essex County Math League. The team came in overall 3rd place. Special kudos to the Geometry, Algebra 2, and Calculus teams for placing 3rd in their divisions. The ECML Contest took place on May 22, 2019 in Caldwell University and included high schools from Essex County.  Advisors: Steinberg & Tick |

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|  | Daniel Feinblatt, Morriel Kasher, Max Dickman, Daniel Bradley, Zackary Dong. |  |  |
| Mark Robertson | Vanessa Lettman | Dylan Pennell Mountaineer Trailblazer Award | “Dylan Pennell Mountaineer Trailblazer Award” is a Board of Education Award, approved unanimously by resolution, during the BOE Meeting on May 21, 2018  This award is bestowed upon a student or students whose ideas and actions result in a lasting contribution to the West Orange School District, and whereby, such contributions enhance one or more of the following:   * Culture of our district * Student life * School environment * Curricula and instruction * Training * Career development * Civic or community involvement * Educational activities or programs |
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