



To: Board of Education
From: Dr. Patrick Broncato, Superintendent of Schools
Date: May 11, 2026
Subject: 2026 Student Recognition

Thank you for your participation in our 2026 student recognition ceremony. Attached is the listing of students and the award categories which will be presented at the Board of Education Meeting on Monday, May 11, 2026. There are 250 student certificates to be presented in 5 categories.

1. Superintendent's Student Advisory Council
2. Superintendent's Award
3. National Spelling Bee
4. Woodridge 68 Education Award for Achievement
5. Woodridge 68 Education Award for Excellence

Superintendent's Student Advisory Council

The Superintendent's Student Advisory Council is comprised of 8th grade students who advise the Superintendent on a variety of matters directly impacting Woodridge School District 68 students. These students were selected for the Council based on their academics, leadership, citizenship, and achievements.

First Name	Last Name	School
Aliyah	Adetokunbo	Jefferson Jr. High
Devaughn	Diggins	Jefferson Jr. High
Gia	Ermitage	Jefferson Jr. High
Myra	Hamann	Jefferson Jr. High
Austin	Liska	Jefferson Jr. High
Maria	Patarova	Jefferson Jr. High
Brock	Pisano	Jefferson Jr. High
Lukas	Riskus	Jefferson Jr. High
Eloiza	Roxas	Jefferson Jr. High
Benjamin	Whipple	Jefferson Jr. High

Superintendent's Award

The Superintendent's Award is given each year to one student in 3rd through 6th grade, and one student per department for 7th and 8th grade students. These students demonstrate excellence or significant improvement in the areas of academics, citizenship, effort, or attitude.

First Name	Last Name	School
Mia	Neuner	Edgewood
Caleb	Taurisano-Zarate	Edgewood
Emily	Hooper	Edgewood
Evan	Rostro	Edgewood
Ivan	Evans	Goodrich
Abd Alrahman	Elghandour	Goodrich
Nicole	Rizzo	Goodrich

Liam	Heyes	Goodrich
Daniella	Divittorio	John L. Siple
Harrison	Karpus	John L. Siple
Aria	Hernandez	John L. Siple
Ryan	Nelson	John L. Siple
Logan	Willoughby	Meadowview
Camden	Veldman	Meadowview
Rory	McNally	Meadowview
Lea	Hebreard	Meadowview
Joseph	Smuda	William F. Murphy
Mateo	Flores	William F. Murphy
Milagros	Ventura	William F. Murphy
Leonardo	Valdivia	William F. Murphy
Rahman	Adeyinka	Willow Creek
Ben	Lebbing	Willow Creek
Zoe	Loger	Willow Creek
Nicole	Lopez Montagne	Willow Creek
Mark	Aboagye	Jefferson Jr High
Sarah	Hattan	Jefferson Jr High
Willa	Petry	Jefferson Jr High
Lilibeth	Velazquez Flores	Jefferson Jr High
Erkayim	Kadyralieva	Jefferson Jr High
Austin	Liska	Jefferson Jr High
Elias	Lopez Montagne	Jefferson Jr High
Amandah	Szymanek	Jefferson Jr High

National Spelling Bee

The Scripps National Spelling Bee, sponsored by the DuPage Regional Office of Education and Commonwealth Edison, fosters the learning of an important basic skill in an atmosphere that is both fun and challenging. Approximately 150,000 students participate in this competition each year. Awards are given at the building, county, and Chicagoland area levels. Tonight we are recognizing the winner of each building's spelling bee and the district spelling champion.

First Name	Last Name	Place	School
Eliana	Gargrave	Winner	Edgewood
Seraj	Elhelbawy	Runner-up	Edgewood
Ahana	Naik	Winner	Goodrich
Helion	Mascarinas	Runner-up	Goodrich
Abigail	Jones	Winner	John L. Siple
Hridhaan	Ajith	Runner-up	John L. Siple
Jordyn	Vinh	Winner	Meadowview
Elena	Mitrovski	Runner-up	Meadowview
Chizaram	Okafor	Winner	William F. Murphy
Avery	Rentfrow	Runner-up	William F. Murphy
Alice	Solis	Winner	Willow Creek
Parker	Liversidge	Runner-up	Willow Creek
Evelyn	Smith	Winner	Jefferson Jr. High
Avah	Punzalan	Runner-up	Jefferson Jr. High

The district spelling champion went on to represent Woodridge 68 and compete at DuPage County's Spelling Bee in February.

First Name	Last Name	Grade	School
Evelyn	Smith	8	Jefferson Jr. High

Woodridge 68 Education Award for Achievement

The Woodridge 68 Education Award for Achievement was established to recognize 6th grade students who show outstanding educational growth, improvement, commitment or intellectual development in their academic subjects.

First Name	Last Name	School
Beshoy	Abdelsaied	Edgewood
Magdalene	Akwaboah	Edgewood
Othniel	Amponsah	Edgewood
Easton	Bates	Edgewood
Lorelei	Carter	Edgewood
Gio	Chatham	Edgewood
Alanah	Ellis	Edgewood
Jose	Gonzalez	Edgewood
Karla	Hernandez	Edgewood
Amina	Khalmurzaeva	Edgewood
Luke	Madel	Edgewood
Daniella	Osei	Edgewood
Andrew	Peters	Edgewood
Karina	Postevka	Edgewood
Joseph	Purmann	Edgewood
Jayceon	Ridgell	Edgewood
Antonio	Rivera	Edgewood
Evan	Rostro	Edgewood
Clara	Toohey	Edgewood
Kire	Washington	Edgewood
Jeremiah	Boakye	Goodrich
Caitlin	Brennan	Goodrich
Mia	Cervantes	Goodrich
Eduardo	Dominguez	Goodrich
Thatcher	Egli	Goodrich
Khadija	Elghandour	Goodrich

Liam	Heyes	Goodrich
Amari	Horton	Goodrich
Sofia	Huerta	Goodrich
Jai'Saviyon	Mitchell	Goodrich
Daniel	Morrell	Goodrich
Ethan	Mostowfi	Goodrich
Michael	Sertler	Goodrich
Zylah	Weathersby	Goodrich
Scarlett	Wierciak	Goodrich
Marjorie	Castillo-Torralba	John L. Siple
Caiden	Clayton	John L. Siple
Julian	Gonzalez	John L. Siple
Angel	Ibarra	John L. Siple
Luis	Largo-Teutle	John L. Siple
Aleena	Mubarak	John L. Siple
Phillip	Patarov	John L. Siple
Grace	Schildgen	John L. Siple
Shazil	Syed	John L. Siple
Brooklyn	Tolar	John L. Siple
Kimberly	Alcantara	Meadowview
Matvii	Chyaz	Meadowview
Melissa	Davalos	Meadowview
Michelle	Davalos	Meadowview
Austin	Hampton	Meadowview
Arqam	Hussain	Meadowview
Joycia	Ibovi	Meadowview
Nithya	Kandregula	Meadowview
Finley	Loane	Meadowview
Willow	Mirabile	Meadowview
Elena	Mitrovski.	Meadowview
Aarav	Niak	Meadowview
Olivia	Piloni	Meadowview

Andrius	Riskus	Meadowview
Marina	Sarofim	Meadowview
Viya	Solanki	Meadowview
Eliott	Todnem	Meadowview
Aisha	Aidarbekova	William F. Murphy
Dorianna	Garcia	William F. Murphy
Ashton	Kraatz	William F. Murphy
Annabelle	Kruchten	William F. Murphy
Liam	Parrent	William F. Murphy
Natalija	Petrevska	William F. Murphy
Richard	Rojas Ugalde	William F. Murphy
Wafa-E-Abbas	Sharaz	William F. Murphy
Elena	Smiljkovic	William F. Murphy
Tyler	Smuda	William F. Murphy
Aleksa	Stojakovic	William F. Murphy
Mia	Ventura	William F. Murphy
Lok Tung Trinit	Wong	William F. Murphy
Camilah	Alvarez	Willow Creek
Halim	Hoxha	Willow Creek
Victoria	Hyiuk	Willow Creek
Molly	Maloney	Willow Creek
Julia	Mejorado	Willow Creek
Oliver	Prljic	Willow Creek
Aliyah	Sandoval-Pryor	Willow Creek
Natalie	Tiwade	Willow Creek
Wesley	Wegner	Willow Creek

Woodridge 68 Education Award for Excellence

The Woodridge 68 Education Award for Excellence was established to encourage 6th, 7th, and 8th grade students to achieve high academic standards. The criteria for receiving the Education Excellence award are a GPA of at least 3.5 on a 4-point scale and at least 85th percentile on a standardized test in reading or math.

First Name	Last Name	School
Amara	Alam	Edgewood
Seraj	Elhelbawy	Edgewood
Alexander	Figuroa	Edgewood
Eliana	Gargrave	Edgewood
Aimee	Klingbeil	Edgewood
Hunter	Politowicz	Edgewood
Devin	Press	Edgewood
Zander	Price	Edgewood
Kennedy	Ross	Edgewood
Jiwon	Yim	Edgewood
Zane	Baylin	Goodrich
Mary	Chase	Goodrich
Evelyn	Daliego	Goodrich
Claire	Ermel	Goodrich
Everett	Gower	Goodrich
Lucas	Lotino	Goodrich
Helion	Mascarinas	Goodrich
Amelia	Spitz	Goodrich
Gabriel	Stancik	Goodrich
Aria	Weber	Goodrich
Meagan	Beltran	John L. Siple
Nicolette	Cooper	John L. Siple
Jaze	Cyril	John L. Siple
Grayson	Dietz	John L. Siple
Dylan	Ebert	John L. Siple
Nolan	Everaert	John L. Siple

Owen	Gemmell	John L. Siple
Katalya	Humek	John L. Siple
Parker	Karpus	John L. Siple
Vivien	Kecskemeti	John L. Siple
Dominic	Mannella	John L. Siple
Matthew	Mast	John L. Siple
Hernan	Ocampo-Alegria	John L. Siple
Luca	Schnell	John L. Siple
Elleanor	Shunt	John L. Siple
Olivia	Thomas	John L. Siple
Ellen	Toussaint	John L. Siple
Zarina	Wallace-Del Rio	John L. Siple
Max	Yakovenko	John L. Siple
Mariam	Basilious	Meadowview
Kajus	Dumbrys	Meadowview
Julianna	Eliopulos	Meadowview
Dimitrios	Georgopoulos	Meadowview
Lea	Hebreard	Meadowview
Caitlyn	Korzen	Meadowview
Ronald	Palasz	Meadowview
Amar	Parikh	Meadowview
Harper	Revoldt	Meadowview
Quinn	Revoldt	Meadowview
Knox	Tyson	Meadowview
Dominic	Vallera	Meadowview
Jackson	Vallera	Meadowview
Jordyn	Vinh	Meadowview
Harley	Wilson	Meadowview
Liam	Campbell	William F. Murphy
Liam	Christ	William F. Murphy
Mikhail	Edwards	William F. Murphy
London	Finley	William F. Murphy

Logan	Fleetwood	William F. Murphy
Anthony	Johnson	William F. Murphy
Isaac	Kooi	William F. Murphy
Izabel	Leitner	William F. Murphy
Oleksandr Sasha	Maksiv	William F. Murphy
Emmanuele	Petruczenko	William F. Murphy
Avery	Rentfrow	William F. Murphy
Ethan Robinson	Robinson	William F. Murphy
Kamila	Shoismatuloeva	William F. Murphy
Leonardo	Valdivia	William F. Murphy
Brayden	Wade	William F. Murphy
Jayse	Booher	Willow Creek
Matilda	Hansen	Willow Creek
Molly	Maloney	Willow Creek
Ozzie	Price	Willow Creek
Oliver	Prljic	Willow Creek
Victoria	Velichkov	Willow Creek
Wesley	Wegner	Willow Creek
Jaxon	Antich	Jefferson Jr. High
Ella	Brody	Jefferson Jr. High
Aiden Lucas	Cuya	Jefferson Jr. High
Ivan	Derueda Marquez	Jefferson Jr. High
River	Ebert	Jefferson Jr. High
Gia	Ermitage	Jefferson Jr. High
Delaine	Flores	Jefferson Jr. High
Allison	Forcash	Jefferson Jr. High
Cora	Gilligan	Jefferson Jr. High
Kaden	Henderson	Jefferson Jr. High
Camden	Hendricks	Jefferson Jr. High
Emma	Hodges	Jefferson Jr. High
Cameron	James	Jefferson Jr. High
Ethan	Kugach	Jefferson Jr. High

Carter	Liversidge	Jefferson Jr. High
Isabella	Lopez	Jefferson Jr. High
Francisco	Martinez	Jefferson Jr. High
Molly	Murphy	Jefferson Jr. High
Siyona	Naik	Jefferson Jr. High
Eden	Naveen	Jefferson Jr. High
Chloe	Nettnin	Jefferson Jr. High
Olivia	Niemotko	Jefferson Jr. High
Sebastian	Olivares	Jefferson Jr. High
Muhammad	Rafay	Jefferson Jr. High
Danielle	Reed	Jefferson Jr. High
Sawyer	Schumacker	Jefferson Jr. High
Victoria	Severe	Jefferson Jr. High
Evelyn	Smith	Jefferson Jr. High
Lainey	Swanson	Jefferson Jr. High
Tyler	Szymanski	Jefferson Jr. High
Madan	Trower	Jefferson Jr. High
Rainen	Trower	Jefferson Jr. High
Nojus	Vasiliauskas	Jefferson Jr. High
Benjamin	Whipple	Jefferson Jr. High
Ella	Wynveen	Jefferson Jr. High