# MEMO—OFFICE OF THE PRINCIPAL

Date: March 7. 2023

To: Dr. Kent Mutchler

From: Mr. Tom Rogers

Re: Board Presentation for Tradition of Excellence Award



I want to express my sincere appreciation for the opportunity to present to the Board of Education students whose accomplishments and contributions to Geneva High School exemplify the Tradition of Excellence Award. On Monday, March 13, 2023, we will present to the Board of Education the following students.

## A. Girls Basketball State Qualifiers:

Cassidy Arni Ella Madden

Ava Bahnline Hannah McMillen – team manager

Kaitlyn Boeldt – team manager
Rachel Carlson
Lisa Colin
Lisa Gracey
Rilee Hasegawa
Leah Palmer
Erin Slagle
Lauren Slagle
Peri Sweeney
Hanna Van Camp

Hope Ieler Ally Ward
Grace Kosirog – team manager Gabrielle Webb
Reagan Krohe – team manager Lillian Ziegler

Caroline Madden

The girls' basketball team placed  $3^{rd}$  at the IHSA State Finals in Bloomington on March 3-4, 2023. The girls' basketball team is coached by **Sarah Meadows**, Head Coach, **Katy Francis** and **Lindsey Huettemann**, assistant coaches.

#### **B. Swimming State Qualifier:**

# **Samuel Ortiz**

Sam placed  $8^{th}$  in the 200-yard free relay at the IHSA State Swim held February 24-25 at the FMC Natatorium in Westmont.

## C. Gymnastics State Qualifiers:

Maura Anderson Reese Lackey Emma Wiedenhoeft

Maeve Devlin Brooke Lussnig Sadie Karlson Graci Weems

The gymnastics team placed 3rd at the IHSA State Gymnastics meet held February 17-18, 2023, at Palatine High School. Additionally, **Sadie Karlson** placed 5<sup>th</sup> and **Graci Weems** placed 9<sup>th</sup> on the floor routine. The gymnastics team is coached by **Kim Hostman**, head coach and **Kelsey Oswald** and assistant coach.

#### D. DECA State Competition – State Qualifiers:

Marcella Anderson\*\* **Henry Hancock Zachary Pohlman Eleanor Holt** Abby Arnold\* **Aidan Post** Sara Boeldt\*\* Alex Howe\*\* Ria Shah\* Agnes Bolender\* Aashika Jain\* **Cheng Shang Aarianna James Aidan Bryant** Ian Sofiak Minzie Choi\* Vasiliki Karalis\* **Colin Sprague Collin Dennison** Addison Kling\* Evan Swierczewski **Lorcan Duffy Brecken Kobylecky Brady Thompson Braeden Kraus\*** Elliot Egan\* **Annabelle Tomko\*** Ryan Fioresi\* Chloe Mamott\* Claire Weisserth\* **Matthew Gariti** Charlotte Nowak\* Fiona Weisserth\* James Geismann\* Luisa Parente\*\* Sean Zimmerman

Ellie Grantcharov\* Anna Plemons\*

Minzie Choi and Claire Weisserth – Business Law & Ethics Team (1st place – qualified for International)

**Annie Tomko** – *Retail Merchandising* (2<sup>nd</sup> place – qualified for International)

**Luisa Parente** – Retail Merchandising (3<sup>rd</sup> place – qualified for International)

**Marcella Anderson** – Food Marketing (4<sup>th</sup> place – qualified for International)

**Chloe Mamott and Charlotte Nowak** – *Hospitality Services Team* (5<sup>th</sup> place – qualified for International)

Agnes Bolender and Fiona Weisserth – Apparel & Accessories (Top 10)

**Sara Boeldt** – Food Marketing (Top 10)

Alex Howe – Restaurant & Food Service Management (Top 10)

**James Giesmann and Braeden Kraus** – Buying and Merchandising Team (Top 10)

Aashi Jain and Vicki Karalis - Hospitality & Tourism Operations Research (Top 10)

Addison Kling and Luisa Parente – Community Awareness Project (Top 10)

**Anna Plemons and Ria Shah** – Community Giving Project (Top 10)

Marcella Anderson, Abby Arnold and Ellie Grantcharov – Start-up Business Plan (Top 10)

Elliott Egan – International Business Plan (Top 10)

Sara Boeldt – Integrated Marketing Campaign (Top 10)

Alex Howe and Ryan Fiorisi – Franchise Business Plan (Top 10)

These students competed at the DECA State Competition held in March 2-4, 2023. The DECA Advisors are **Jamie Dunlap** and **Kelly Aceto**.

## E. Wrestling State Qualifier:

Joseph Pettit John Schmidt Joseph Sikorsky

These athletes qualified to compete at the IHSA State Wrestling Tournament in Champaign, Illinois held February 10-11, 2023. The wrestling team is coached by **Tom Chernich**, Head Coach.

## F. Dance Team State Qualifiers:

Brennan AnsonSara FuerstLillian KottBrooke BaurerMeena GosainRegan PairitzLarkin CohrsAnnMarie JaplonRebecca SharrattAvery CookAva KerlCarolyn SilvermanTatem DollMia KerlRachael Wade

The GHS Varsity Dance Team placed 2nd at the IHSA State Dance Finals held at Grossinger Motor Sports in Bloomington January 27-28, 2023. The varsity dance team is coached by **Amy VanWagenen**, head coach.

# G. Scholastic Art Silver & Gold Key Recipients:

Alaine Molander – Photography – Silver Key
Katherine Nicholson – Mixed Media – Silver Key
Emese Ori – Photography - Silver Key
David Thomas – Photography - Silver Key
Fiona Weisserth – Digital Art – Silver Key; and Mixed Media – Gold Key

These students competed and placed in the Annual Scholastic Art Competition held in January. All winners had their work showcased in an exhibition at Downers Grove North High School on January 29<sup>th</sup> from 1-4pm. **Fiona Weisserth**, who received a GOLD KEY, will have her artwork move on to the national judging. The GHS Art educators for these students are **Danica Fahmy and Jon Kristofer**.

# H. Illinois High School Theatre Festival Tech Olympics

Luca Colburn Cherani Foard Abby Hecht Kelly Jaros Katherine Voreis

These students competed in the Tech Olympics at the Illinois High School Theatre Festival at the University of Illinois in January. All the students placed first or second in some of the events resulting in a 2<sup>nd</sup> place overall finish for Geneva. **Jay Fontanetta** is the Director of the Theatre Program.

Together, these students distinguished themselves, our school, and Geneva District #304. Thank you for this opportunity.

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