



Congratulations to Our Outstanding Award Winners

2023 Recognition of Excellence in Supporting Special Education Awards

Awards Ceremony, June 6, 2023, in the Stone Bridge High School Auditorium from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m.

Honoring exceptional educators, programs, parents, and students who go above and beyond what is typical and expected to positively impact and set a standard of excellence for the success of students with disabilities.

Outstanding Special Education Teacher

Aaron Vanderheiden, Stone Bridge HS
Alyssa Hembree, Lightridge HS
Ashley DiLoreta, Stone Bridge HS
Barbara Kabernagel, Woodgrove HS
Lisa Barcnas, Woodgrove HS
Maria Restrepo, Legacy ES
Marissa Jones, Stone Bridge HS
Maryia Viragh, Catoctin ES
Rebecca Sigler, Waxpool ES
Rene Ciampaglia, Virtual Loudoun
Stacy Newman, Virtual Loudoun

Outstanding Inclusive Administrator

Melissa Bugaj, Legacy ES
Denise Soukup, Virtual Loudoun

Outstanding Teacher Assistant

Audrey Allison-Maddox, Eagle Ridge MS
Brittany Burkhard, Sycolin Creek ES
Irene Golden, Hutchison Farm ES
Lisa Kohr, Broad Run HS
Marie Feil, Rosa Lee Carter ES
Martha Dailey, Woodgrove HS
Mary Beth Andrews, Catoctin ES
Pamela Early, Trailside MS
Pei Chin Lin, Eagle Ridge MS
Shaloo Arora, Eagle Ridge MS
Shazia Zahid, Eagle Ridge MS
Tammy Carter, Tuscarora HS
Emma Jones, Seneca Ridge MS

Outstanding Inclusive School Based Program

Kenneth W. Culbert ES, Student Inclusion Committee

Anna Ruth Lovorn
Braedon Sanz
Charlie Weiss
Colin Cleary
Fletcher Brown
Gabi Schoenfeld
Miranda Reese
Terren Conrad

Outstanding General Education Teacher

Abby O'Connor, Stone Hill MS
Shameem Noto, Elaine Thompson ES
Sharon Zeller, Cedar Lane Elementary

Outstanding Special & General Education Team

J. Michael Lunsford MS

Alana Amani, Joyce Sharp & Katherine Rainier

Broad Run HS

Christopher Zyck, Emily Hays, James Dunning, Jennifer Kauffmann, Jennifer Kroll, Joaquin Perez-Arrieta, Kym Peacock, Lily Sotoudeh, Megan Watson & Susan Coren

Outstanding Inclusive School

Independence High School

Outstanding Inclusive Student

Alisha Adhikari, Hutchison Farm ES
Allison Saadah, Briar Woods HS
Ananya Akula, Rock Ridge HS
Arushi Gambhir, Independence HS
Bailey Mitchell, Lightridge HS
Caleigh O'Brien, Riverside HS
Cillian McFarr, Hillside ES
Cooper Wright, Hutchison Farm ES
Elizabeth Abbott, J. L. Simpson MS
Eloise Bosak, Legacy ES
Ghadeer Alsahrawi, Waxpool ES
Grace Chandler, Potomac Falls HS
Gurfateh "Fateh" Singh, Hovatter ES
Hayleigh Kaywork, J. L. Simpson MS
Jackson Holt, Hillside ES
Jennah Idrees, J.L. Simpson MS
Kayden Painter, Discovery ES
Kaylee Jacobs, Stone Bridge HS
Keerthi Uppalapati, Rock Ridge HS
Laith Davis, Independence HS
Leah Akbary, Hutchison Farm ES
Medina Canic, J.L. Simpson MS
Noah Fernandez, Legacy ES
Owen Perry, Hillside ES
Paige Lynch, J.L. Simpson MS
Rayyan Bukhari, Waxpool ES
Teagan Lowery, Woodgrove HS



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Outstanding Inclusive School Club

Patricia Lodi, HOPE Club, Freedom HS

Allison Burch

Eisabel Zamora

Brayden Milam

Chloe Collins

Lyndsay Lemmerman

Michael Baker III

Nicole Burch

Sahana Anand

Outstanding Transportation Team

Rene Bell & Shari Lopez

Outstanding Inclusive Sports Teams

Ashley Kolbas, Heritage HS

Kelley Hrutkay, Heritage HS

Colette Holland, Lightridge HS

Jillian Basanes, Stone Bridge HS

Unified Sports Teams, Independence HS

Daniel Kim

Lauren Nelson

Lindsey Perdue

Matthew Giddens

Victoria Quidley

Outstanding Members of the Community

Danielle Bischoff, River Bend MS

Rebecca Cook, Legacy ES

Outstanding Related Service Provider

Amy Griffiths, SLP

Elizabeth (Beth) Aliveto, SLP

Outstanding Inclusive Event

John Costello, LCPS Adapted PE Field Day

Adapted PE Teachers

Amanda Hopson

Cameron Hill

Chad Hochkammer

Christopher Thomas

Donna Shockley

Faye Weaver

Greg Wolfe

Jarrett Sites

Jason Cardozo

Jeanne Gohn

Jeffrey Hockman

Jennifer Cooper-Barlow

Jillian Basanes

Katherine Rainier

Margaret Sylvester

Matt Griffin

Regidor Cruz

Sharon Renehan

Tanner Welsh

Outstanding Job Training and Community Collaboration

Sprout Therapeutic Riding and Education Center