

Pine, Richland student news for the week of Feb. 20, 2021

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COURTESY OF PINE-RICHLAND SCHOOL DISTRICT

Rebecca Peng, a senior at Pine-Richland High School, has been named a Presidential Scholars candidate.

Presidential Scholar candidate

Pine-Richland High School senior Rebecca Peng has been named one of more than 4,500 candidates in the 2021 U.S. Presidential Scholars Program. The candidates are selected from nearly 3.6 million students expected to graduate from U.S. high schools this year. She is the daughter of Jacob and Jessica Peng.

Inclusion in the U.S. Presidential Scholars Program is one of the highest honors bestowed upon graduating high school seniors. Scholars are selected on the basis of superior academic and artistic achievements, leadership qualities, strong character and involvement in community and school activities.

If circumstances permit, all scholars are invited to Washington, D.C., in June for the National Recognition Program, featuring various events and enrichment activities and culminating in the presentation of the Presidential Scholars Medallion during a White House-sponsored ceremony.

A distinguished panel of educators will review these submissions and select approximately 600 semifinalists in early April. The Commission on Presidential Scholars, a group of up to 32 eminent citizens appointed by the President, will select the finalists, and the U.S. Department of Education will announce the Scholars in May.

Rebecca is also a finalist in the National Merit Scholarship Corporation program.

Dean's list

The following students from the area were recognized for their academic achievement during the fall 2020 semester by being named to the dean's, president's or provost's list at the college or university they attend:

- St. Francis University: Vittoria Larosa, Luke Minsky and Madison Curran of Wexford; Emily Rose Vangura, Shaelyn Parry and Reilly Wolff of Gibsonia
- University of Findlay: Donald Professori of Wexford
- Edinboro University: Emily Christine Fukas, Michaela Grace Morreale and Sarah Elizabeth Stevens of Gibsonia; Kristen Ann Lauer of Wexford
- James Madison University: Brooke Anderson of Wexford, Thomas Mooney of Gibsonia
- University of Tampa: Hanna Kirkpatrick and Jillian Williams of Wexford
- Miami University: David Limauro, Gracie Limauro and Mika Burmester of Wexford; Jordyn Douglas, Marisa Del Vecchio, Natalie Sobel and Rachel Pasko of Gibsonia
- Ohio University: Riley Borsch, Kylie Zirckel, Katie Duker, Kayla Graf, Liz Dziubek, Nicholas Carretta, Nicholas Lenhart, Jared Roskin, Brendan Lowe, Kallie Kuehn, James Mcdaid, Izzi Boyd, Kate Tierney, Hanna Jones, Grace Barcaskey, Emily Hurd, Reagan Goldberg, Mackenzie Neuhart and Bryan Kurp of Gibsonia; Bradon Hassinger, Alex Schwemmer, Hanna Lelis, Robby Yoho, Zoe Schneider, Jake Curran and Maddie Kantz of Wexford
- Rochester Institute of Technology: Eric Clark, John Bateman, Andy Wilson, Drew Scheib, Michael Barton, Joseph Matty, and Parker Schubert of Gibsonia; Louie D'Angelo, Kira Welker and Gabby Karanikos of Wexford

College graduates

The following students graduated from Edinboro University in December: Christian Mack, Jenna Yardis and Robert Matan of Gibsonia; Rebecca Alberico of Wexford.

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