



HANNIBAL

Central School District

CNY art show to feature Hannibal students' work

Two Hannibal High School students recently joined elite company as their work was selected among the best of nearly 2,000 submissions for the 2021 CNY Scholastic Art Competition.

Mandy Allen and Magen Darling will represent the district in the virtual show, which gives students from hundreds of area schools an opportunity to showcase their best work. Students submitted ceramics, paintings, drawings, photographs and other artwork for consideration as part of the first-ever virtual gallery. Each piece was evaluated by a panel of professional artists, and awards were presented to the top submissions.

"This year has been a challenge, but our students were up to it. Their creativity, innovation and perseverance shined during this time of uncertainty," said Hannibal High School art teachers Lyndsey Rowland and Lauren Boyer. "We couldn't be prouder of their efforts. They are fine representatives of the HCSD, and we know they have a bright future ahead!"

Allen's photograph, titled "Antique," received an honorable mention while Darling's ceramics piece, "Dark and Strange," earned a Silver Key.

Mandy Allen's photograph earned an honorable mention in this year's CNY Scholastic Art Competition.



Magen Darling's ceramics piece titled "Dark and Strange" is a Silver Key winner in the CNY Scholastic Art Competition this year.

Health Reminder

We remain committed to our students' health and safety, and we can all do our part to stop the spread of illness. Here are some important reminders so we can all have a healthy 2021:

- Wash hands often with soap and warm water
- Wear a mask
- Avoid being in close contact with people who are ill
- Keep hands away from face and avoid touching your nose, mouth and eyes
- Do not share personal items, such as drink bottles

If you or your child has presented symptoms related to COVID-19, please have them stay home and contact your physician or the Oswego County Health Department. COVID-19 symptoms include, but are not limited to: fever/chills, cough, shortness of breath or difficulty breathing, fatigue, muscle or body aches, headache, new loss of taste or smell, sore throat, congestion, runny nose, nausea or vomiting and diarrhea.

Contact the school nurse with any questions or concerns about your child's health. If you or someone in your household test positive for COVID-19 or are in quarantine, please contact the district so we can work with the health department to conduct contact tracing.

Students' career-focused artwork advances to state level

Three Hannibal Central School District students have advanced to the state level of a national art contest as a result of their original and creative artwork.

Warrior students Isabella Guan, Mandy Allen and Mitchell Hagan had their work selected to represent the district in the contest, which encouraged students from across the country to submit poetry or artwork that embraced the theme "My Future Career – Imagine the Possibilities." The contest was sponsored by the National Career Development Association and coordinated on the district level by HCSD career resource specialist Meg Welling.

"We received so many wonderful submissions from our talented students," Welling said. "The artwork showed their creativity and their ability to begin thinking about potential careers. These students know that the possibilities are endless!"

The winning submissions are now in the hands of state judges who will review each piece for originality, creativity and development of the national theme. The selected artwork at the state level will advance to nationals, and winners will be announced in May.



A collage of the winning artwork includes (from left) "Octopi Researcher" by Mandy Allen, "Photographer" by Isabella Guan and "Farmer" by Mitchell Hagan.

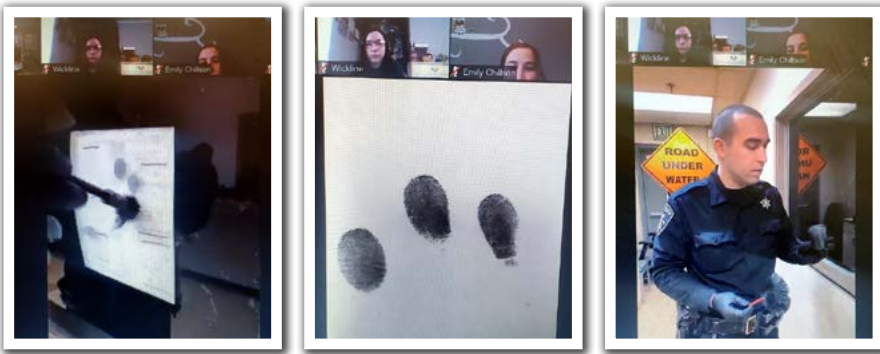


Hannibal forensics students connect with evidence technician for lesson

Fingerprinting procedures, blacklight technology and evidence collection were in the spotlight during a recent Hannibal High School science lesson.

Students in Meg Daley's forensics class connected with the Onondaga County Sheriff's Department to get a first-hand look at the science behind the investigation. Deputy Myers demonstrated how police officers secure the scene and evidence technicians work to collect possible clues left behind.

"It gave our students a glimpse into the life of an evidence technician and the science that plays a role in the process," Daley said. "The students learned about fingerprinting, tool mark casting and other critical elements of the evidence collection process. It was a wonderful lesson in criminalistics, especially for those students considering a career in the field."



Hannibal High School forensics students Jennifer Wickline, Emily Chillson and Julian Fillingham look on as Deputy Myers demonstrates the process of examining fingerprints.

Warrior fall athletes earn state accolades

Although the fall sports season was a challenge, Hannibal Warrior athletes didn't miss a beat when it came to continuing their tradition of athletic and academic excellence.

Nearly two dozen Warriors earned statewide distinction as scholar-athletes. The award celebrates teams that had at least 75 percent of its roster comprised of students who averaged 90 percent or higher.

The following Hannibal students received a pin recognizing them as fall 2020 scholar-athletes:

Ryan Dennison, Bri Dattellas, Samantha Emmons, Julia Shortslef, Mikayla Miner, Juliana Kaufman, Sophia Salladin, Zoey Turaj, Brooke West, Gabriella Greenleaf, Trisha Fiumara, Lena Turaj, Emma Wood and Jenna Cole (girls' varsity soccer); and Brittany Bishop, Emma Gombas, Austin Calkins, Mason Garbus, Gavin Griffin, Alex Hall, Cole Hess, Thomas Kenyon, Chris Mandart, Phillip Nosko, Hunter Searor and Sean Taylor (cross-country).

HCS D Technology Department provides Internet safety tips

As technology becomes more prevalent in everyday life, from schoolwork on the computer to social media apps on cellphones, the Hannibal Central School District wants to remind our Warrior community about the importance of online safety.

According to HCS D Director of Technology Chris Tynan, there are several safety mechanisms in place to help reduce potential issues. All district devices, including Chromebooks, use cloud-based web filtering to prevent students from accessing inappropriate online content regardless of location. Even the hotspots that the district has provided to families are content filtered.

"In addition to content filters, the district utilizes virus and malware protection software to protect its devices," Tynan said. "Also, while in the district, all school-owned devices are connected to a private network that is protected by a firewall, which helps to prevent unauthorized access to that network and data."

To further encourage and educate students about online safety, Tynan said there are an abundance of resources available on the New York State Education Department website. The site outlines the laws that schools

must follow when it comes to protecting students' privacy and safety online while also offering families resources to promote conversations about internet safety at home.

"The internet can be a great resource for students to use to complete school work, socialize with friends, play games, explore the world, etc., but overall I would ask students to remember that with the use of technology comes responsibility," Tynan said. "The most important lessons to learn first are to be careful about who you share personal information with, don't post or say things online that are hurtful and keep private things private -- especially information like usernames and passwords."

As important as that advice is for younger students, Internet safety is equally significant when it comes to older students and the general population. When things are posted to social media or elsewhere, a "digital footprint" is left behind that could have potentially negative consequences.

"The digital footprint that you are creating now might be seen by teachers, military recruiters, college admissions departments or employers sometime in the future, so make sure that the online reputation you are developing is a positive one," Tynan said.



HCS D new transportation center is up and running



The Hannibal Central School District's new transportation center is officially up and running. The state-of-the-art facility was built as part of the district's \$42 million capital project, which also included significant renovations to each school, site improvements and energy-efficient upgrades. The new transportation center features a covered fueling station, ample space for bus maintenance, and several bays, including one featuring a washing station to keep the buses clean. Pictured at the new facility during a recent ribbon cutting ceremony are, from left, HCS D Transportation Supervisor Rob Pakish, HCS D Board of Education President Mike LaFurney, HCS D Superintendent Christopher Staats, and HCS D Business Administrator Nancy Dingman.

Fairley students create inventions for annual competition

Budding inventors from Fairley Elementary School will put their ideas on display virtually this year as part of the annual Inventive Minds competition.

The event will feature third- and fourth-graders representing Clyde-Savannah Central School District, Red Creek Central School, Lyons Central School and the Hannibal Central School District. Participants are tasked with identifying a problem, developing a solution, creating a trifold display board and pitching their inventions to a panel of judges. Each school will host a preliminary round that will determine the students who advance to the regional competition.

"We're so excited to be able to continue the event this year," said Fairley Inventive Minds co-advisors Kate Babbitt and Bethany Simmons. "It will look a bit different than in the past, but we know our students will excel. We're looking forward to seeing their inventions come to life."

The Fairley contingent will participate in the school-level competition March 15 for a chance to advance to the regional event scheduled for March 19 via Zoom. This year's participants include Mason Proulx, Alexia Howland, Natalie Maynard, Avery Montana, David Hutchinson, Lily Kolb, Marissa Kaufman, Emily Ridgeway, Myla Leggett, Clayton Hess, Tony Pinkett and Hunter Hutchinson.

Sign-ups for this year's competition are now closed and additional information about the event will be communicated to the participants and their families.

After-School Tutoring for 9-12 Graders

Hannibal High School is offering after-school tutoring for all students in ninth through 12th grades. Those seeking extra help can drop-in to the Google tutoring classroom of their choice, Mondays through Thursdays when school is in session. Check out the schedule below and please contact Principal Steve Dunn at 315-564-8130 with any questions.

	MON	TUES	WED	THURS
5:00 PM				
5:30 PM	Ms. Owens 5:30-6:30	Ms. Owens 5:30-6:30		
6:00 PM	Mr. McGill 6:00-7:00 Ms. Inzalaco 6:00-7:00	Mr. McGill 6:00-7:00 Ms. Inzalaco 6:00-7:00 Ms. Boyer 6:00-7:00	Mr. McGill 6:00-7:00 Ms. Inzalaco 6:00-7:00 Ms. Plant 6:00-7:00	Mr. McGill 6:00-7:00 Ms. Inzalaco 6:00-7:00 Ms. Boyer 6:00-7:00 Ms. Plant 6:00-7:00
6:30 PM	Ms. Mansfield 6:30-7:30	Ms. Mansfield 6:30-7:30	Ms. Francis 6:30-7:30	Ms. Francis 6:30-7:30
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A Message from the Superintendent

It's hard to believe that it has been nearly one year since our lives were turned upside-down with the onset of the COVID pandemic. So much has changed for all of us during these past 12 months, but our ability to adapt and meet the ever-changing needs of our students has not wavered. In the face of adversity, our efforts as a Warrior family have strengthened the fabric of our community. We couldn't be prouder of our students, teachers, support staff and families.

While it may be easy to dwell on the challenges, it is also easy and incredibly rewarding to reflect on our students' successes and their ability to

overcome difficulties. We have witnessed our high school art students thrive as they used their creativity to develop award-winning artwork that will be featured in the CNY Scholastic Art show. Our middle school students are building connections in their core classes and special courses, and our elementary students continue to impress us with their dedication and creativity, especially our Inventive Minds participants.

We have so much to celebrate, even during tough times. Our students are learning to persevere. They're learning to adapt. They're learning to tackle challenges. And they are learning what

it truly means to be a Warrior. We continue to be inspired by them as they embrace these circumstances with grace and determination.

While we may not know what the next week, month or year will look like, one thing is for certain: we will get through it together. So please, hug your families tight. Stay healthy, stay strong and stay connected.

Sincerely,

Christopher A. Staats

Hannibal music educator to present at state symposium



Flanbaum

With a love for music and a passion for teaching, Hannibal educator Frances Flanbaum is looking forward to sharing her knowledge with her peers at an upcoming event.

Flanbaum was selected as one of the clinicians for the New York State Band Directors Association Symposium, set for March 5-7. The symposium will feature band directors from across the state in a virtual setting, performing, teaching and sharing their love for music.

"Our presentation will be based around teaching band in a rural setting, but given from two lenses," Flanbaum said. "My co-presenter, from Sherburne-Earlville Schools, will be discussing rural music education from the standpoint of strong musical traditions in her district and community, while I will be discussing the actions we, at Hannibal, have

taken over the past few years to breathe new life into our program and get more students, parents and community members involved in strengthening our music department."

Flanbaum noted that having an opportunity to share her perspective on the topic will be beneficial, and she hopes she will be able to help other music educators who may be facing similar challenges.

"I hope that by representing the 'little guy' districts at a statewide conference, I will be able to share some useful and realistic ideas and continue building connections with educators all around New York," she said. "I would love to continue sharing resources, insights and teaching strategies with colleagues. As a teacher, I never want to stop learning, so I am happy to be able to contribute as well!"