

COMMENDATIONS & RECOGNITIONS

March 2022

HIGH SCHOOL

Mahir Parmar, an Upper St. Clair High School sophomore, was recently named one of three Finalists for Dean's List recognition in the Pennsylvania FIRST Tech Challenge. The three Finalists will represent Pennsylvania in the running for the 10 Dean's List Winner spots at the FIRST Championship 2022, which will be held April 20 - April 23, 2022 in Houston, Texas.

An Upper St. Clair High School team finished first in the 2022 STEAM competition on Friday, March 4, 2022, at Shaler Area High School. Thirty-three local high school teams competed in the event, sponsored by the Shaler Area Education Foundation.

Members of the top team – Delta-V – include:

- Damodara Gummadi
- Nikita Redkin
- Patrick Nowak
- Maksym Devlysh
- Evan Sarkett

The team also placed second in a floatation device challenge.

Four Upper St. Clair High School students successfully auditioned to participate in the Pennsylvania Music Educators Association (PMEA) All-State Choir. The following students will be Representing USCHS:

- Skyler Bruno, alto 2
- Rebecca Lang, soprano 1
- Sia Iyer, alto 2
- Edy McCurrie, alto 2

Upper St. Clair High School senior Sophie Chen was recently recognized with the 2022 Western Pennsylvania Affiliate Award for Aspirations in Computing. The award, sponsored by the National Center for Women & Information Technology (NCWIT), recognizes ninth-12th grade students for their computing-related achievements and interests, as part of an effort to encourage a diverse range of students to choose careers in technology. Award recipients were selected from more than 3,500 applicants from all 50 U.S. states.

BOYCE AND FORT COUCH MIDDLE SCHOOLS

Three Upper St. Clair middle school teachers were recently honored with the Promising Practitioners Award from the Pennsylvania Association for Middle Level Education (PAMLE). Bridget Kaufman, sixth grade English language arts teacher at Boyce Middle School; Erin Kyle, fifth-grade science teacher at Boyce Middle School; and Paige Steinhaus, eighth grade English language arts teacher at Fort Couch Middle School, were recognized during the PAMLE State Conference 2022, held Feb. 26-28, 2022, in State College.