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Area 9 Cable Council & Cablevision of CT Announce the Winners of the Thirteenth Annual Educational *Access Awareness Awards (AAA)* for Students Gr K–12

The **Educational Access Awareness Awards** honor original student video productions that have been broadcast throughout the school year on Cablevision's Educational Access Channel 78. The Area 9 Cable Council (A9CC) & Cablevision sponsor this contest yearly to encourage students to develop video production and storytelling skills by creating access television shows relevant to their school and community. Student videos are recognized in seven separate categories - Animation/Stop Motion, Creative Open Entries, Community/School Stories, Documentaries, Narrative Open Entries, News Shows (High School only), and Public Service Announcements.

This year, numerous student videos were submitted at the school level and many went on to compete in the contest with projects from across Fairfield County. The competition recognizes student excellence at the Elementary, Middle, and High School levels. An "Eddy" (Ed Access Trophy) will be presented to the school for each winning project listed below. A certificate of recognition will also be presented to each student who participated in the creation of **First, Second**, and **Third** Place projects.

The *John M. Repicky Award* was established in 2010 to recognize Mr. Repicky for his more than twenty-five years of selfless service to the Area 9 Cable Council's Education and Government Committees. The *Repicky Award* honors the best overall project in each level (Elementary, Middle, and High School) with a \$500 equipment package.

2016 AWARDS

HIGH SCHOOL - JOHN M. REPICKY AWARD

"Frankpa" – Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Georgina Cahill – Grade 12 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL - JOHN M. REPICKY AWARD

"Trollman and the Sour Kiwi" – Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Lucia Schnirring & Ava Flynn – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - JOHN M. REPICKY AWARD

"The F+" – Long Lots Elementary School, Westport

Jack Rein & Jason Capozucca – Grade 5
Curtis Sullivan – Grade 4
Barbara Eilertsen – Instructor

HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS

HIGH SCHOOL – ANIMATION / STOP MOTION

1st Place

"Frankpa" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Georgina Cahill – Grade 12 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

2nd Place

"A Song Of Farce And Ire" - New Canaan High School

Brian Spiess – Grade 12 Jennifer Sinski – Instructor

3rd Place

"Corey In the Cabin" - Staples High School, Westport

Adam Mickiewicz – Grade 12 Jim Honeycutt – Instructor

HIGH SCHOOL - CREATIVE OPEN ENTRY

1st Place

"A Breathtaking Odyssey: The Wanderings of a Hiker" - New Canaan High School

Connor deMayo – Grade 12 Roman Cebulski – Instructor

2nd Place

"Tide" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Claire Uygur – Grade 12 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

3rd Place

"Hawaii" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Christina DeConcini – Grade 10 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

<u>HIGH SCHOOL - COMMUNITY/SCHOOL STORY</u>

1st Place

"Teachers' Expectations" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Ava Bloom & Charlotte Sheehan – Grade 10 Maggie Davis – Grade 11 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

2nd Place

"New Canaan Volunteer Ambulance Corps: Neighbors Helping Neighbors" – New Canaan High School Peter Lavieri, David Wilson, Taylor Cowser – Grade 12

Roman Cebulski - Instructor

3rd Place

"NCHS Art Department: Founded on Creativity" - New Canaan High School

Sydney Britt & Isaac Marshall – Grade 10 Jennifer Sinski – Instructor

HIGH SCHOOL - DOCUMENTARY

1st Place

"Surviving More than Just the News" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Lily Lemkau & Jackie Shannon – Grade 10 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

2nd Place

"Margot Pratt and Happy with That" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Grace Flanagan, Ryan Smith, Anna Snopkowski – Grade 9 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

3rd Place

"The Sound Stories" - New Canaan High School

Julia Means – Grade 11 Jennifer Sinski – Instructor

HIGH SCHOOL – NARRATIVE OPEN ENTRY

1st Place

"Working Plot" - New Canaan High School

Connor deMayo & Jack Dahill – Grade 11 Jennifer Sinski – Instructor

2nd Place

"Chemistry" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Riley Doyle, Aggie Ryan, Cynthia Thomas – Grade 12 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

3rd Place

"Video Production" – Greenwich High School

Elijah Torok & Isaac Floyd – Grade 11 Richard Detmer – Instructor

<u>HIGH SCHOOL - NEWS SHOW</u>

1st Place

"Today from the Heart" – Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Yahnah Johns-Woodby & Grace Sutherland – Grade 12
Tasha Adison, Jackie Beshoory, Maggie Davis, Maddie McLane, Ellen Pucel – Grade 11
Perry Barth, Ava Bloom, Sophia Brusco, Christina DeConcini, Megan Doherty, Laura Holland,
Stephanie Jordan, Sloane Kratzman, Ellie McKenney, Olivia Monahan, Charlotte Sheehan – Grade 10
Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

2nd Place

"NCTV The Morning Announcements - Supercut" - New Canaan High School

Zoe Jensen, Ben Wells, Tanaijah Carrafiello, Leanne Macaione, Tanaijah Carrafiello, Peter Lavieri, Leanne Macaione, Ben Wells, David Wilson – Grade 12 Sawyer Cordes, Madeline Friedland, Austin Pelli, Chiara Rapuano – Grade 11 Roman Cebulski – Instructor

3rd Place

"Blue Wave News" - Darien High School

Brana Del Gatto, Idomu Murao, Jack Thornbury, Andrew Szanto, Seth von Schmidt, Chris Stearns, Tripp Woll, – Grade 12 • Julia Canora, Tim Derby, Malcolm Hamilton Hall, Holm Roeser – Grade 11 Ivan Crowther – Instructor

HIGH SCHOOL - PSA

1st Place

"Words Kill" - Staples High School, Westport

Bridget French – Grade 10 Jim Honeycutt – Instructor

2nd Place

"Live" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Lauren Burd & Barbara Jones – Grade 10 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

3rd Place

"It Piles Up" - Convent of the Sacred Heart, Greenwich

Alexa Harris & Maggy Wolanske – Grade 10 Ellyn Stewart – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL AWARDS

MIDDLE SCHOOL - ANIMATION / STOP MOTION

1st Place

"Trollman and the Sour Kiwi" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Lucia Schnirring & Ava Flynn – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

2nd Place

"Animation" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Jacob Friedman – Grade 6 Deb Perry – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL - CREATIVE OPEN ENTRY

1st Place

"Memorial Day" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Ryan Stevenson & Brendan McGinley – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

2nd Place

"Scratch Tutorial" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Brendan McGinley & Ryan Stevenson – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL - COMMUNITY/SCHOOL STORY

1st Place

"King Tut's Museum" - Middlebrook Middle School, Wilton

Jo Eustace & Harrison Forland – Grade 6 Maria Lateef – Instructor

2nd Place

"Horseback Riding" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Ava Flynn & Lucia Schnirring – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

3rd Place

"Soccer Life" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Rijul Nair & Ben Tanen – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL - DOCUMENTARY

1st Place

"'Free at Last'" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Tess Travers – Grade 7 Deb Perry – Instructor

2nd Place

"The Cambodian Killing Fields" – Weston Middle School

Grace Milliman – Grade 8 Peggy Jorgensen – Instructor

3rd Place

"Social Media Safety" - Middlebrook Middle School, Wilton

Ryan Siegel – Grade 7 Maria Lateef – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL - NARRATIVE OPEN ENTRY

1st Place

"Flushing, NY" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Kelley Schutte & Layla Reejhsinghani – Grade 8 Deb Perry – Instructor

MIDDLE SCHOOL - PSA

1st Place

"Dangers of the Internet" - Coleytown Middle School, Westport

Jacob Ragaza & Max Rudin – Grade 6

Deb Perry – Instructor

2nd Place

"Technology Use In the Classroom" - Middlebrook Middle School, Wilton

Aidan Thornbrough – Grade 6 Maria Lateef – Instructor

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL AWARDS

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – ANIMATION / STOP MOTION

(No Entries)

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL – CREATIVE OPEN ENTRIES

1st Place

"Spring Patches" - Greens Farms Elementary School, Westport

Eva Simonte & Zizi Hart – Grade 5 Nicole Moeller, Suzanne Propp, Emily Soler – Instructors

2nd Place

"The Princess and the Dog" – Long Lots Elementary School, Westport

Emerson Briggs & Maia Freeman – Grade 4 Kristina Chaney – Grade 5 Barbara Eilertsen – Instructor

3rd Place

"Have Fun With Your Friends" - Greens Farms Elementary School, Westport

Sarah Lau & Jaden Mello – Grade 5 Nicole Moeller, Suzanne Propp, Emily Soler – Instructors

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - COMMUNITY/SCHOOL STORY

1st Place

"CES-TV" - Coleytown Elementary School, Westport

Rebecca Schussheim, Tristan Newton-Smith, Pia Dottori, Julian Thiel – Grade 5
Pam Syndercombe & Eileen Carroll – Instructors

2nd Place

"MDTV/1" - Miller-Driscoll Elementary School, Wilton

Miller-Driscoll Television Studio 1 – Grade K-2
Shia Borelli, Bryan Ennis, Archie Schallop, Andrew Sherman – Grade K
Murphy Coutant, Wyatt DePeugh, Kate Jackson, Thomas Maggio, Riley McMahon, Sabina Sharfuddin – Grade 1
Jordyn Ennis, Daniel Hull, Dean Metropoulos, Nicholas Somma, Lyla Theoharides – Grade 2
Skip Ploss & Bryan Ennis – Instructors

3rd Place

"How to Be a Good Sport" - Greens Farms Elementary School, Westport

Jackie Peterson, Eva Simonte, Maddy Tansley, Owen Siegel – Grade 4 Nicole Moeller, Suzanne Propp, Emily Soler – Instructors

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - DOCUMENTARY

1st Place

"History of Patches Productions" – Greens Farms Elementary School, Westport

Daniela Garcia, Zoe Simonte, Eve Gendels – Grade 5 Nicole Moeller, Suzanne Propp, Emily Soler – Instructors

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - NARRATIVE OPEN ENTRIES

1st Place

"The F+" – Long Lots Elementary School, Westport

Jack Rein & Jason Capozucca – Grade 5
Curtis Sullivan – Grade 4
Barbara Eilertsen – Instructor

2nd Place

"Don't Steal the Diamond" - Long Lots Elementary School, Westport

Maia Freeman, Paige Miller, Alyssa Lee – Grade 4
Barbara Eilertsen – Instructor

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL - PSA

1st Place

"Clean Up GFS" - Greens Farms Elementary School, Westport

Sam Eigen, Miko Coakley, Lily Klau, Michael Kelly – Grade 5 Nicole Moeller, Suzanne Propp, Emily Soler – Instructors

2nd Place

"Kindness Counts" - Greens Farms Elementary School, Westport

Miko Coakley, Jaden Mello, Jayce DeCaprio, Jett Adler – Grade 5 Nicole Moeller, Suzanne Propp, Emily Soler – Instructors