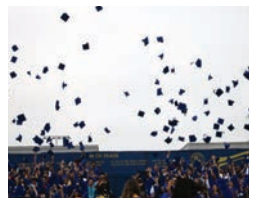


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The Class of 2022 has lived through some interesting times. You could, if you were so inclined, describe the world around them and the challenges it presented in biblical terms. All four horsemen rode through their experience at some point but a group steeped in struggle doesn't have succumb to it. With their crucible hot and the pressure great, they have emerged steel-clad and diamond hard to make their mark on the world.

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Superintendent's Message to the Class of 2022

Dear Samohi, Malibu High School and Olympic High School Class of 2022,

Congratulations to the class of 2022!

Graduates of 2022 navigated an uncharted path with the most unexpected learning and growth experiences none of us ever imagined four years ago. Perseverance, adaptability, creativity, resourcefulness, time management and resilience are a few of the lessons learned, along with the usual coursework required by the state of California.

Your accomplishments, both academically and socially-emotionally are worthy of celebrating!

Your freshman year was typical, in school, taking classes, participating in extracurriculars and athletics, hanging out with friends, gatherings with your families, traveling, and jobs, for some of you. Your sophomore year started out strong, but then in mid-March 2020, the world came to a halt with the COVID-19 pandemic upon all of us. The remainder of the year and your junior year were predominantly online, where we all became pros at using Zoom and other remote learning platforms.

This was a difficult time for all, youth and adults alike. Everything that was familiar to us was in flux and constant changes became the norm.

Fortunately, we were one of the first school districts in Los Angeles County to return to full in-person instruction following spring break of 2021, providing for a more traditional end of your junior year, with your full senior year in person. This was due to students, staff and parents all working together to minimize the spread of this contagious virus. We started this school year cautiously, but gradually all activities were restored, along with traditions, including prom and graduation.

And, you persevered every step of the way. You stayed connected in new ways and stuck together to make this momentous occasion a joyous one. We know for some that it may be challenging and a bit scary to leave your comfort zone, however, your family and friends, along with your teachers and your communities are cheering for your success in your next chapter.

As your superintendent, I am incredibly proud of you. I look forward to hearing stories about your future endeavors and successes. Whether you are going on to Santa Monica College, a four-year university, into a certificate program or other postsecondary opportunity, we know the Class of 2022 will make a difference in the world. We need you to make that difference for the good of all.

Stay strong and know that your time at SMMUSD has prepared you for a brighter future. We wish you all the best in health and success in your future.



Your superintendent,
Dr. Ben Drati
SMMUSD

LANA NEGRETE

As a former Samohi graduate and forever Viking, it gives me great pleasure and honor to congratulate the Class of 2022!

You persevered through unprecedented times, missing out on two years of your high school experience. Besides your academic achievements, the triumphs and disappointments and social challenges high school provides, you all gained a skill set you will take into this next chapter of life — how to pivot. Being able to accept a challenge, think quickly, get creative and shift gears, and repeat that over and over will carry you through the toughest of times in life. Whether you are on to the next phase of education or exploring the world or when you are running your own business or making policy, being able to pivot in unpredictable circumstances will be what keeps you going and growing. I am certain each of you is destined for success and greatness in whatever path you take! Go experience the world through an open mind and heart, be prepared to pivot and know you are loved and supported always by your community. Go make us all proud, Vikings Class of 2022!

GLEAM DAVIS

Congratulations on this great accomplishment! You have persevered despite great challenges and now you can look forward to even greater opportunities. You are the future, so make your voice heard! Whatever lies ahead for you, I hope you find fulfillment and joy.

PHIL BROCK

As you become Samohi alumni, I want to sincerely congratulate you on your milestone accomplishment of walking into adulthood through this most tumultuous of times. You have repeated the experience of Samohi graduates of a century ago as you step forward at the end of a worldwide pandemic. You have transcended tragedy through hope and the promise of a brighter tomorrow as you burst through the virtual Memorial Greek Theatre into the world that eagerly awaits you. Yes, despite the uncertainty of the past two years, all of you will change our world just as fabled Samohi graduates have before. I, too, am a graduate, Class of 1971, and President of the Samohi Alumni Association. We are incredibly proud of our fellow alumni, including two astronauts, a Nobel Prize winner, award-winning actors, prominent politicians, heralded athletes, beloved local businesspeople, service people, and police and fire personnel. Each Viking has contributed to making our world brighter. It's your turn. Look fondly upon your years at Samohi as you go forth from the "Queen of the setting sun." Go Vikings!

DAVID WHITE

I'm immensely proud of the Class of 2022 for this huge accomplishment. Achieving this milestone in the midst of a global pandemic demonstrates your resilience and strength. You're stepping onward with the experience to take on whatever challenge comes your way. Congratulations!

CHRISTINE PARRA

This weekend, my oldest son graduated from Loyola High School and the valedictory address was so profound that I wish I could share the entire speech, but if I were to choose to quote what impacted me the most to share with Santa Monica's Class of 2022, it is to go into the world and do what you love! There is no doubt that many in your class 10 years from now will be lawyers, engineers, medical students, programmers, teachers and working in professions that don't even exist yet and, no doubt, you will be great at those jobs. But that is not "who" you will be. "You" will be known for being Jason, Maria, Brian, Diego, and that is who and what you will be and that is enough. (Quoted from Jared Aimone.)

SUE HIMMELRICH

To the brave Class of 2022: You did it — but this is just the beginning. You persevered despite obstacles unimaginable when you began your journey. Your families and friends are proud, your schools are proud and your City is proud. We all look forward to seeing your next adventures.

OSCAR DE LA TORRE

Felicidades, Class of 2022! Congratulations! As a proud product of our school district (Samohi Class of 1990) it inspires me to see your resilience. It inspires me to hear your voices calling for justice, equal opportunity and a better world!

You all have the power to shape our collective future in ways you can't even imagine. As I sit in the Greek Theatre witnessing your graduation ceremony, I think back to my memories of walking the same stage. I never could imagine back then serving on our School Board or City Council or opening a youth center — much less being a father of two boys, one already an incoming junior at Samohi.

There is no way to predict your future, but know that with education you expand your ability to make a positive difference in our world. For this reason, we celebrate your graduation because it represents progress for you, your family, our community and our country. Salute to you, Class of 2022!

Congratulations Class of 2022

I am pleased to share some thoughts with the esteemed Class of 2022. Having served as Santa Monica's elected representative in local and state government for the past 22 years and as a 40-year resident, I can attest to the diversity and greatness of Santa Monica High School and its graduates.

The occasion of your graduation from Samohi should be a day of celebration and pride, but also one of deep reflection. Your hard work and perseverance over the last four years is what allows you to graduate triumphantly.

Your high school experience has not been easy. But, years from now, I expect that you will marvel about how you weathered the COVID-19 pandemic and its strange and stressful rules: distance learning, social distancing, masking, etc. Each of you, in your own way, rose to challenge after challenge, and you deserve recognition as you move forward into your next chapter.

As graduates, you are thrust into a world filled with crises that are not of your making: from rising gun violence to war, to staggering income inequality and a mounting climate crisis. Nevertheless, I am filled with hope as never has there been a generation more prepared to confront these challenges and restore balance and justice to the world.

Each of your paths forward will be unique. But, every one of you is connected by your time as Vikings and a common theme for your future: What will you do to better the world you are entering?

Nelson Mandela said, "There is no passion to be found in playing small, in settling for a life that is less than the one you are capable of living."

I challenge each of you to go forth and refuse to settle: Refuse to settle for a life that doesn't inspire you each day; refuse to be ordinary when you know you are capable of the extraordinary. These are not easy times and you will face obstacles. But, as you step out into the world, remember the lessons learned throughout these past four, transformative years and be comforted in the knowledge that every obstacle is also an opportunity.

So, celebrate this moment with your friends and loved ones. Amid that celebration, take pause and imagine how far you will go as you move forward in your journey.

Congratulations, Class of 2022!



Assemblymember Richard Bloom

Viking Class of 2022, congratulations on such a significant achievement! As you are surely aware and so often reminded, your Samohi experience was impacted by adversities not seen before. Despite the many challenges thrown your way, you found ways to keep moving forward and established a community amongst one another to lean on. Carry with you the lessons learned through your Samo experience, remember your proven resilience in the difficult moments of life, but more than anything, remind yourself of the accomplishment you have achieved and be as proud of yourselves as we are of you. Thank you, graduates, for serving as a symbol of determination for our community. We love you and are proud of you. Congratulations!



State Senator Ben Allen

Congratulations, Class of 2022

From the Samohi Alumni Association

Grads, you may not have fully wrapped your head around the enormous weight of the day you walked on that stage in the Greek Theatre and received your diploma. Trust us grads from previous years – this is one day in your life you will always remember vividly!

Your Class of 2022 has a unique position in the history of our world, as does every graduating class. You are coming of age in a colorful, exciting time where changes happen at breakneck speed, where seemingly everyone knows everything that happens immediately, yet there's always that nagging feeling that there's something you don't know. That knowledge can be deeply frightening, but it doesn't need to be. You will be the captain of your own ship, and you will catch the wind and sail through it admirably. It's not all going to be easy, but you know how to get through the hard times now. You've already had plenty of those to overcome.

Just think back to your first days at Samohi, who you were then, and who you are now. Imagine who you will be in 10 years, 20 years… at your 50th reunion. There is so much in this world to love and change as you begin the rest of your life.

As you take your place within the history of Samohi, rest assured that you do have the tools to navigate the world now, as well as anyone alive can navigate it. Think of all the different lives your classmates are about to begin. There is so much "becoming" that you will all go through for the rest of your lives. Embrace it, thrive on it, face it, wonder at it, conquer it, seek to understand it, and most of all, have fun with it.

Finally, you'll always have a home at the "Queen of the Setting Sun." "Go Vikings" and "Samohi" will be indelibly embedded within your heart and your soul forever.

Access samohialumni.org to sign up for your complimentary college membership in our alumni association.

— Phil Brock, President, Samohi Alumni Association



Phil Brock, President, Samohi Alumni Association

Class of 2022

Looking forward: 10-Year Class Reunion

GRADUATES,

Congratulations on your Samohi accomplishments! Now, I want you all to look forward on where you plan to be in 10 years as you prepare for your 10-year reunion in 2032. When you left Samohi, you had many post-secondary options to pursue. What path did you choose?

Some graduated from college, are working and started families. Others chose an educational path to attain certifications or degrees and are now working in careers that are more IT-based, in the gig economy, possibly not even in a traditional 9-to-5 scheduled environment. Others chose to find employment that creates opportunities. Some of your classmates are entrepreneurs and are owners of companies launched with friends from high school or college. Many will have found a career that excites and makes you get up in the morning! Many will be leading our communities and government in providing answers to many of our societal, environmental and global health problems!

In spring of 2032, you begin to receive communications from the 10-Year Reunion Committee asking for information about you, your education after Samo, spouses or partners, children and personal accomplishments. But you are also asked to be reflective of your years at Samohi. Were they memorable or stressful, fun or boring, and was it a great learning experience? Did Samohi meet or exceed your educational, social, athletic, creative and personal expectations?

As you reflect, you will remember COVID-19 and its effect on you during your high school years. It was a time of isolation from school friends and family but LOVE of family, teachers and friends gave you strength throughout the closure. As Samohi gradually reopened, it was the support and love of teachers, friends and family who were there for you. Two years of uncertainty, confusion, depression and anger was felt worldwide. As a world, we began to combat the virus and quell the pandemic. Samohi gave you the tools to quickly pivot from distance learning and back to in-person learning. You reflect that Samohi was a great learning and social-emotional experience. The camaraderie shared and the lifelong friendships developed are priceless. You received a strong educational foundation to build your future dreams, which are now in progress. Most importantly, you realize that your resiliency and perseverance contributed to the person you are proud to be 10 years after graduation, as you look forward with enthusiasm to your 2032 reunion.

I share my simple advice that comes from my mentor, Dolores Huerta:

"Every moment is an organizing opportunity, every person a potential activist, every minute a chance to change the world..."

Graduates, now is your chance to make this a better world for you, your families, friends and generations to follow. I truly look forward to your leadership!

— Ms. Maria Leon-Vazquez,
SMMUSD Board of Education, President

To the Samohi Class of '22: Congratulations on reaching this milestone, and as you leave the the confines of Prospect Hill, please remember that your education is a journey to whatever destination you can imagine. Dare to be great but never be afraid to fail spectacularly along the journey toward your destination. As you learned from "The Phantom Tollbooth": "You often learn more being wrong for the right reasons than being right for the wrong reason."

— Jon Kean

Congratulations, Samohi Class of 2022!!!!

Well done! I am awed by the amazing resilience you have all shown in overcoming the many obstacles fate has thrown in your way over the last four years! It has been an honor to have been a small part of your lives. Very, very best wishes for your futures!

Go Vikings!

— Craig Foster

What a wonderful week! In such fraught times, graduations are special events that bring communities together to celebrate our children. These are moments where students get to reflect on their school years. They get to speak gratitude for their friends, families and teachers out loud, share stories of overcoming COVID-19 and other challenges, and embrace their hopes and dreams for the future. I feel proud of, and inspired by, these resilient young people and by the educators who have supported them along the way.

— Laurie Lieberman

Samohi Class of 2022: Good wishes!

Kudos to your creativity, empathy and adaptability during the adventure that was high school! It was truly remarkable to see the power and confidence expressed in following your hearts and inner voices. I am humbled by beautiful moments of reflection in witnessing your human centered journey. As you take on new challenges moving forward, do so with care, manifesting joy, learning and great generosity!

— Keith Coleman



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Students make a joyous return to campus for their Senior year



Santa Monica High School — affectionately known to most as Samohi — has been home base for tens of thousands of Santa Monica teens going back more than 130 years. It's been a place to learn math and science, make art, study English and history, and enjoy social and sporting events since 1891.

But over the years, campus has changed. It moved from 6th Street to 11th Street and, finally, to its permanent home on 4th Street exactly 110 years ago in 1912. Over the years, the present campus has grown and changed.

The Class of 2022 has experienced some of the most extensive campus changes in the past half-century, with the opening of the Discovery Building this past August.

The building includes 42 classrooms that house adaptable learning spaces, allowing teachers to expand their classes beyond the walls of their classroom and easily enable break-out groups and teamwork. There are raised platforms, groups of couches, projectors, circular tables and desk spaces in the building's common areas.

The new building joins the recently-constructed Innovation Building, which opened six years earlier in 2015.

Aided by stellar facilities, Samohi continued its long tradition of high marks in 2022.

Not only are members of the Class of 2022 going off to high-ranking institutions including Cal, Princeton, the University of Michigan and MIT — to name but a few — but Samohi once again ranked among the top high schools in California, coming in at number 108, according to the U.S. News and World Report. That institution also ranked Samohi in the top six percent of high schools nationwide, at 829.

Another ranking body, Niche, called the Santa Monica-Malibu Unified School District the overall best place to teach in LA County in 2022.

"Ranking factors include teacher salaries, teacher tenure, teacher absenteeism, student-teacher ratio, as well as the district's Niche grades for overall, administration, safety, and resources," according to Niche. For its part, Samohi was ranked the 15th-best public high school in the County, according to Niche — out of 444 public high schools across the Los Angeles area.

At graduation on Wednesday, Samohi's outgoing principal Antonio Shelton gave graduating seniors advice: Make connections. Be kind.

"Be kind to those that you encounter and this kindness will follow you," Shelton said. "Spread[ing] kindness and love is not difficult to do. It is something that can easily be shared throughout your life."

Shelton said he would be departing

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Samohi to take a leadership role in the District, and Samohi I House Principal Marae Cruce would step up to the principal role beginning in the fall.

The 2021-22 school year signaled a year of not only continued academic excellence but also a return to normalcy for most Santa Monica students. Classes resumed in-person in the fall and, by the springtime, mask rules had dropped and large events were back.

Seniors showed off their stellar fashion sense and style at prom earlier this June and crossed the stage at graduation just this week, followed by partying all night at grad nite.

Athletes competed on the court and in the pool, on the field and in the ocean, on the track and in the gym. And they found success.

Boys water polo made it to quarter finals. Girls soccer went to CIF playoffs — for their fourth year running. The girls wrestling team earned an academic team championship for their high overall grade point average. Again and again, Vikings athletes distinguished themselves on and off the field of play.

But transitioning, first to remote learning and then back into classrooms, was not without its challenges. Senior Class President Hanna de la Rosa Rosales spoke to her class' strength and perseverance during an address at Wednesday evening's graduation ceremony.

"As we embark on to the next stage in our life, I'd like to reflect on the unique high school experience that we shared. To begin, our only normal year was freshman year," Rosales said. "This was a confusing time but we made it through. Then, as we were finally settling in, our sophomore year was halted due to COVID. At first, it seemed like nothing and, frankly, I enjoyed not having any finals that year.

"The fun quickly stopped when junior year consisted of taking difficult classes virtually, having flex times online and tests over Zoom," she continued. "I know I can speak for everyone when I say that it was difficult getting up in the morning just to sit and stare at a computer screen for eight hours straight and then even more hours in the afternoon for homework — all of this with no social interaction to compensate and a lack of connection within our class. Junior year is difficult enough without the barriers that we had.

"And yet, every single one of us was able to finish and finally begin our senior year," Rosales said. "While our senior year was filled with uncertainty and many restrictions, we were finally able to see each other in person and feel a renewed sense of normality. At 17 or 18 years old, we face many important life decisions and changes. This can be very overwhelming, which is why I'd like to express that as a member of this graduating class, every single student here is beyond resilient. Especially to the students of color in this crowd: I salute your ability to stand here today, despite the systems that are put in place in the country built to restrain us. People and systems bet against us, every single day. And yet here we are."

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Olympic High celebrates graduates

Hi, I'm Emily. I am honored to have the privilege of representing the relentless Class of 2022.

I'd like to thank everyone in attendance tonight and all of those who have supported these students along this treacherous journey that we like to call school. Another year, finally over yet again. But things are a little different this time. We won't be returning to this campus as high school students, but as graduates. Mandatory school is forever behind us. We carry our memories of these classrooms with us forever. A lot of us won't see each other anymore, and some of us have made life long friends here. We've experienced loss of friendship, loved ones, and at some points we've lost ourselves. We even survived a global pandemic. It's a little difficult to speak on behalf of my peers, as we all have different backgrounds and different reasons why we're here today. For myself, I screwed up. I attended Santa Monica High School for three years, and while I made new friends and had some great times, I was struggling. There was much more than just school on my mind. I couldn't focus, I was constantly questioning life, my passions, and values. I was questioning who I was, and if there was anything I was actually looking forward to. As all my peers excelled, I was failing most of my classes. I isolated myself from even my closest friends. I was embarrassed of my character. After time and time again, retaking classes and a never ending school year with every summer taken by summer school. Olympic High School was my last chance. I was afraid, terrified that I was simply a failure. I felt that my life had been already thrown away. Unexpectedly, attending Olympic has changed my life. This has been the best year of high school I've had. From my very first day, I was greeted with a smile. No one here has every doubted me or my abilities.

I'd like to thank the entire Olympic staff. None of this would be possible if it weren't for your care and concern for these students. You've given us a second chance—an opportunity to feel confident in ourselves and be proud of our work. You've helped us realize what we are capable of and have empowered us to strive for only our greatest endeavors. Thank you, Mr. Anderson: You're the first person I see when I arrive at school and the last when I leave. Your sense of humor and kindness has a significant impact. Thank you, Patty: Your inviting smile every morning makes my day immediately so much brighter. Thank you, Maria: We appreciate your diligence and your efforts do not go unnoticed. Thank you, Mr. Daglis, for valuing your students interests, and for showing students our endless opportunities. Thank you, Mr. Arnold: Your exceptional connection with students has made the classroom all the more enjoyable. Thank you, Ms. Siemer, for your meticulous attention to each and every student and their needs and your drive to ensure our success. Thank you, Ms. Diane, for your reliability and efforts to assist students any time, and for being so pleasant to talk to. And finally, thank you, Mr. Fuller. Your humanity towards students and our education is unmatched. Your work here at Olympic has been exceptional, I have never experienced such a loving group of individuals who have tirelessly cared so much for our futures and well being.

But even with endless support, it's important to remember that we are responsible for our own excellence. You have to live with the consequences of your choices. Do not sacrifice your decisions for someone else's happiness. Do not sacrifice your dreams and aspirations because of uncertainty. It's too easy to lose yourself. Failure knows no bounds. It can happen to anyone at anytime. You can fail at something you don't even like, so you might as well take a chance and just try doing what you truly love. Don't let your dreams only be that. Your reality is important. Your life is important. On behalf of these students, I'd like to say that we're honored to have attended Olympic High School. Congratulations to the graduating Class of 2022.

— Emily Gomez,
Class of 2022



OLYMPIC GRADUATES:

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Audrey Gia Robles
Adriana Sanchez
Daniel Santos
Spencer Scott
Aleydis Belen Sernas Sernas
Desmond Smith
Melanie Solorzano Villasenor
Mya Spencer
Journel Taylor
Nicole Torres
Luca Massimo Viotti



Grad Nite returns to Samohi

> We were just really happy to be able to do something really special for the kids again; that made us really happy
> —*Nicole Faries*

Samohi's beloved Grad Nite, complete with its faux cruise ship, returned to the City By the Sea this year.

The annual post-graduation celebration was scuttled due to COVID-19 for the past two years, but thanks to the hard work of more than a hundred volunteers, Grad Nite set sail again in 2022.

"It was amazing to see the kids' faces, and they seemed so happy and that made us happy that they were excited to be at the event—to be together again after two years of what we've all been through," said volunteer Nicole Faries.

Grad Nite offers recent graduates a safe space to celebrate their achievements. Students enter through the boat façade, receive a "boarding pass" to their destination and then partake in casino games, food, dancing, carnival games, and inflatables.

"We were just really happy to be able to do something really special for the kids again; that made us really happy," said Faries.

It takes several weeks to construct the event with volunteers working long hours to put everything together.

"That façade was redesigned and we had somebody who helped us with that and it really still looks like you're getting onto a cruise ship," she said. "There were teachers who gave up their time after graduation, including coaches who checked kids in, and it was so warm and touching to see them come into the area where they get their boarding passes and hear an eruption of cheers and congratulations."

She said a host of sponsors including Smart & Final, SMPD, Elks, Kiwanis, City of Santa Monica and Bill Wishart of Running With Speakers helped provide a fantastic experience for the 517 students who participated.

"We want to convey that we're really happy to have the community come together to support Grad Nite," she said. "And if anyone wants to get involved, they can. They just have to reach out."

For more information, visit www.samohigradnite.org or email samohigradnite@gmail.com.



Seniors recognized for academic prowess

With consistently high state and national rankings, plus a long history of exceptional college placements, Samohi is an academic powerhouse. That rang true again this year, with students racking up accolades across disciplines.

But strong educational programs go beyond what can be quantified on tests or summed up by the U.S. News and World Report: hands-on classroom experiences, extracurriculars that enrich classwork and programs that advance college readiness.

To that end, here is just a taste of what Samohi has to offer:

This spring, for the 16th year in a row, marine biology students had the opportunity to dissect squid and then enjoy a squid cookout, with teacher Benjamin Kay. This year, the dissection/cookout took place in the rooftop classroom of the new Discovery Building, which opened in the fall.

"Kinesthetic and visual parts of experiential learning opportunities are known to bolster student understanding and retention of curricular material," Kay said in a statement provided by the school district. "Learning by doing is powerful in this sense. Students will probably not remember even the best lecture I've given this year, but they will probably recall the slimy mantle, sticky suction cups, sharp chitinous beak and the taste and smells of surume squid."

Samohi and Malibu High School students preparing to take the leap into college received support through the Santa Monica College Young Collegians Program. "Inspired by the desire to increase the high school-to-college matriculation pipeline, the Young Collegians Program (YCP) target population is comprised mainly of students who have traditionally been underrepresented—those who are not highly motivated and for whom the cost and academic preparation for college is not readily available, English language learners, and first-generation college attendees." This year, 18 Young Collegians each earned 14 SMC credits while in high school through the partnership.

"Hard work pays off," Samohi Principal Antonio Shelton said in a social media post about the YCP, later adding, "These seniors will be doing great things in the future."

The PLTW — Project Lead The Way — engineering class spent senior year developing prototypes to solve problems. In May, seniors presented their capstone projects and invited the school community to experience their viable prototype solutions. Students were able to create their projects at Samohi's new interim instructional learning lab.

> "Kinesthetic and visual parts of experiential learning opportunities are known to bolster student understanding and retention of curricular material -
> *Benjamin Kay*



Samohi makes a splash at Ocean Sciences Bowl

In February, five talented Samohi science students earned top marks at the regional Ocean Sciences Bowl tournament — called the Los Angeles Surf Bowl — hosted by NASA's Jet Propulsion Laboratory (JPL) at CalTech.

In May, the talented team placed seventh in the national tournament, facing teams from Massachusetts, Washington, Missouri, New York and across California.

The Samohi competitors, representing the sophomore, junior and senior classes, were far from the first Vikings to earn the honor. In fact, the 2022 Los Angeles Surf Bowl win marks the seventh consecutive year Santa Monica students have taken the top spot.

The team was coached by science teacher Ingo Gaida, who has shepherded a total of 14 first-prize winning teams since he began moderating the club 21 years ago.

"I think it's an outlet for the real sharp kids," Gaida said. He added that his students were motivated and "willing to put in the work" to win.

Gaida said the students practice after school as well as in his a.m. academic competition class, which meets early in the morning every day. In the lead up to the competition, students from the 27-member class play games and compete among each other to earn a position on the competition team. Gaida said each team has students that specialize in one particular area, such as ocean biology, geology or physics.

According to Gaida, over the years about half of the Samohi students who compete in the Ocean Sciences Bowl have gone on to pursue careers in science after graduation. Recently, a former team captain earned a PhD from UCLA in biology. Another student has been conducting ocean research in Antarctica.

Last year's captain is now studying at UC San Diego and recently earned an internship at Scripps Institution of Oceanography, Gaida said.

"A lot of them have actually gone on to do some really cool stuff," Gaida said. "I'd say about half of them go into something science-related.

"The other half, completely not," Gaida laughed. "Ethan, for instance, got into Duke. He's going to major in business."

> "A lot of them have actually gone on to do some really cool stuff - *Ingo Gaida*"

This year's team consisted of Captain Sara Akiba, a senior; junior Halie Matsui; senior Ethan Vazquez Foley; and sophomores Isaac Feinberg and Jesse Howard.

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Jack Simon
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Jason Telanoff
Colton Thompson
Miles Tobel
Catherine Todd*
Sarah Wenger
Harrison Williams
Daniella Zhou

*Valedictorian

Graduation 2022

Samohi celebrated Graduation with a formal ceremony on June 8.

The event was a chance for the Class of 2022 to be given their fond farewell.

Photos by Emily Sawicki







A year of triumph for Viking athletes

Samohi student athletes from all disciplines found terrific success competing this school year.

Boys golfer Jaxson Tagawa was named Bay League champion this spring. The graduating senior heads to Texas Southern University to continue competition this fall.

Girls beach volleyball played its inaugural season of CIF competition this year, the newest varsity sport offered to Samohi athletes.

Girls lacrosse was named Co-Ocean League Champions and went on to compete in the first round of the CIF playoffs; the boys team competed in the second round of the CIF playoffs.

A quartet of sprinters set a new school record in the 4x1600 relay, knocking 36 seconds off the previous record, set in 2017: seniors Kim Hensen and Stephanie Garcia, with freshmen Cleo Topp and Phoebe Benun. Track athlete Gus Reyman made CIF finals.

This winter, both the boys and girls basketball teams excelled; the boys were named Bay League Champions and made it to the second round of the division 2A CIF playoffs, while the girls made the CIF playoff semifinals and the California State Regionals for division 2AA, with an overall record of 20-7.

In the fall, boys water polo made it to the division 3 quarterfinals in the CIF playoffs.

Both the boys and girls soccer teams made CIF division 2 playoffs this fall.

Similarly, members of both the boys and girls wrestling teams earned spots in postseason play – Daniel Jensen, Maia Baker and Tara Sakamoto competed at both the masters and state meet.

Girls water polo also made it to CIF playoffs this winter.

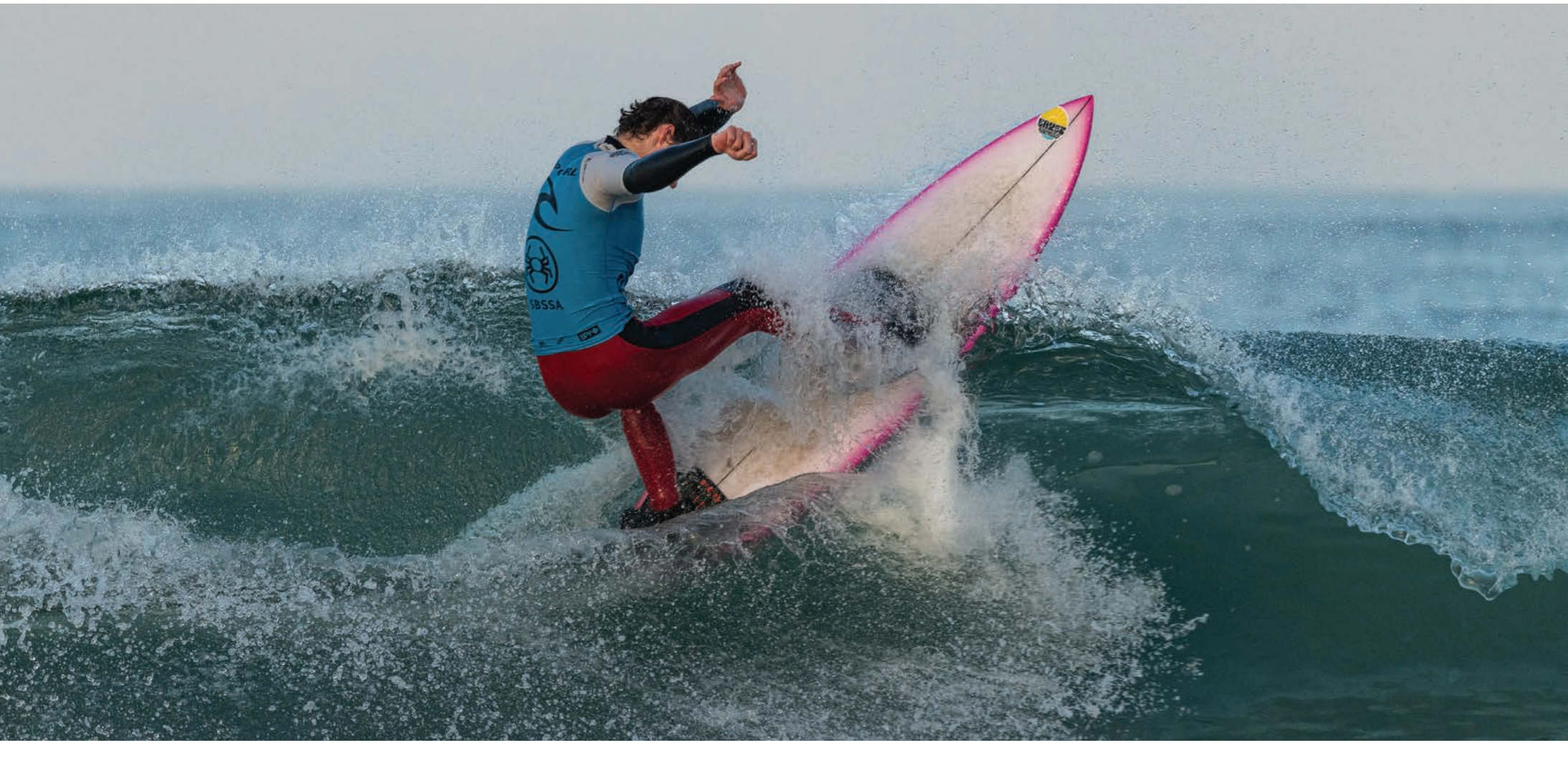
Vikings softball made it to the CIF quarterfinals.

Of particular note this spring was the Vikings swim team, which swam (metaphorical) laps around the competition. A whole squad of Vikings participated in CIF section finals, including seniors Anallese Hanson, Sebastian Munguia-Mullins and Brandon Wu. Two swimmers, Daniela Petran and Kyle Kim, set new Samohi records in the 200 meter individual medley and 50 meter free, respectively.





Samohi seniors surf to historic victories



The Samohi surf team does not have an easy ride. They train on consistently poorer waves than their rival teams in Manhattan Beach or Palos Verdes and they draw from a much smaller talent pool of surfers due to the comparatively weak surf culture in Santa Monica. They are also disadvantaged by their status as a club and not an official team and lack advantages like excused competition absences or practices scheduled during school periods.

Yet despite all these challenges, this year's team smashed expectations. Led by their coach Marion Clark and graduating senior Co-Captains Beau Werger and Ethan Foley, the Samohi surfers claimed impressive victories over longtime powerhouse teams.

Foley won first place in the juniors category of the entire South Bay Boardriders Series, while Werger won the prestigious Waterman of the Year Award. Both senior co-captains competed in the South Bay Scholastic Surf Association's All Stars with Foley coming in second in the shortboard competition and Werger winning the longboard competition. In addition, senior teammate Zachary Mitchell was recognized as the hardest working surfer in the series and won the Dedication Award.

"We overall had a lot of awards, which is kind of unheard of for Santa Monica—like we've never had a Waterman of the Year, never had someone win the overall, so I was just super proud of the seniors for setting a good precedent for the future members of our team," said Foley.

Foley and Werger also highlighted the contributions of senior surfers Lucas Childs and Declan Smith, whose efforts were integral to competition victories. They said that Childs is always out there ripping and trying his hardest at all competitions and Smith, who joined the team in 10th grade, has shown incredible improvement and significantly contributed to the team's overall scores.

"Our grade really stuck together and we have stuck together for a long time. Ethan and I have surfed pretty much every day for the last six years and I think we push each other a lot and I would say that's the same with a lot of our seniors," said Werger. "This year, we made it a goal to help out the younger people on the surf team, and take them surfing, and make sure they're really into it so that when we leave they can still keep winning."



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Photos by Steve Gaffney

Soccer playing seniors ready for international competition

Graduating senior Samuel Lena is nothing if not well-rounded — a skilled trumpet player in the Samohi Band, he spent the last two fall sports seasons competing on the boys varsity soccer team (making it to the 2021 CIF finals), while also earning high enough academic marks to be admitted to the Cal Poly Pomona Kellogg Honors College come fall.

On top of everything else, the young Santa Monican is getting ready to take his skills as a forward for the Samohi Vikings and use them on the international stage at the upcoming Maccabi Games in Israel.

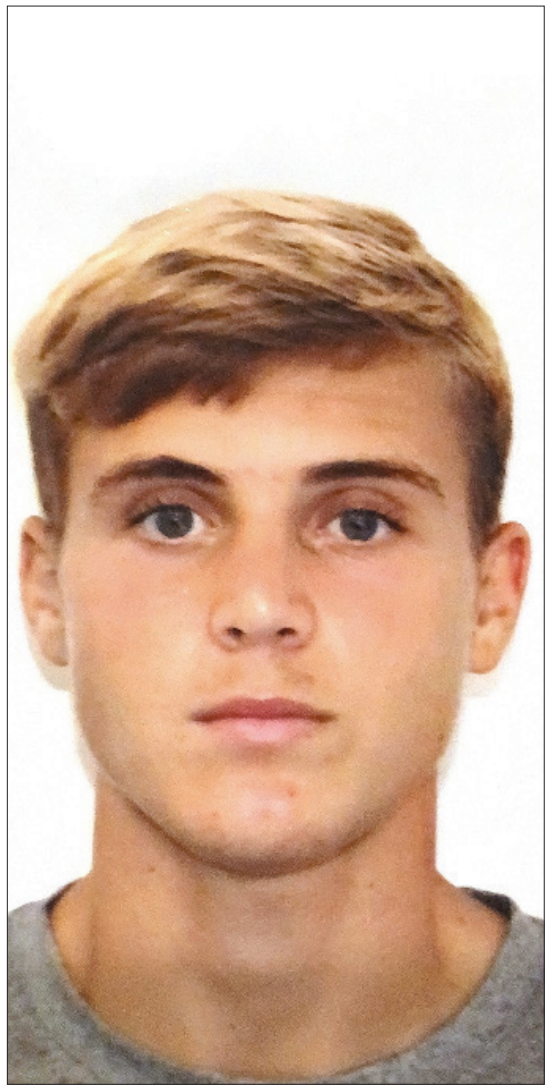
Lena called the competition "kind of the Jewish Olympics" — it features Jewish competitors from dozens of nations in a wide array of athletic competitions including, of course, soccer.

"I'm very proud to be able to participate, and the fact that I was selected ... It's crazy, in my opinion, that I can say I'm, like, one of the top Jewish athletes in the entire country, for my age," Lena said. "To represent Santa Monica is a very big deal, and I hope I'll live up to everyone's expectations."

Lena's soccer career — which began around the age of three — will not end with the Maccabi Games. He signed on to compete on the Cal Poly men's soccer team as a winger. In college, he plans to pursue a career in civil engineering.

"Playing a sport and doing school teaches you discipline and time management like crazy," Lena said. He added: "It gives you preparation for the future, so that when you're dealt a bad card, you know how to face it. You know how to pick yourself back up, because you've already dealt with so many things like that ... it teaches you lessons of how to care for yourself."

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Will Barker will pursue professional dream in Madrid

Weeks after crossing the stage at Samohi, Will Barker will be lifting off on a flight to Spain, en route to what he hopes will become a professional soccer career. Barker, who has been playing soccer since age five, will be playing soccer for Sporting Club Madrid in La Liga, the Spanish football league, while also attending classes at St Louis University in Madrid.

When it comes to balancing academics, a social life and the game, Barker said it would be no issue.

"I just want to play as much as I can," Barker said. "I'll find time to study and to socialize, but if I'm playing soccer every day, I'll be happy no matter how busy I am."

Barker, who was born in London but raised in Santa Monica, said he feels prepared to transition from high school life into Spain, and isn't fazed by his lack of Spanish language skills.

"I'm just excited to dive into a new city," Barker said, adding he has so far visited 25 countries and feels connected to Europe.

For now, Barker has signed a one-year contract, but has set his goals much higher.

When asked if he was hoping to go pro, his answer was conclusive: "Definitely."



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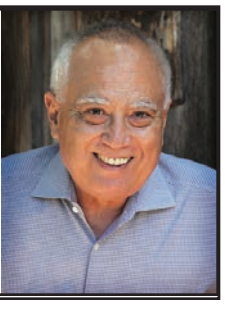
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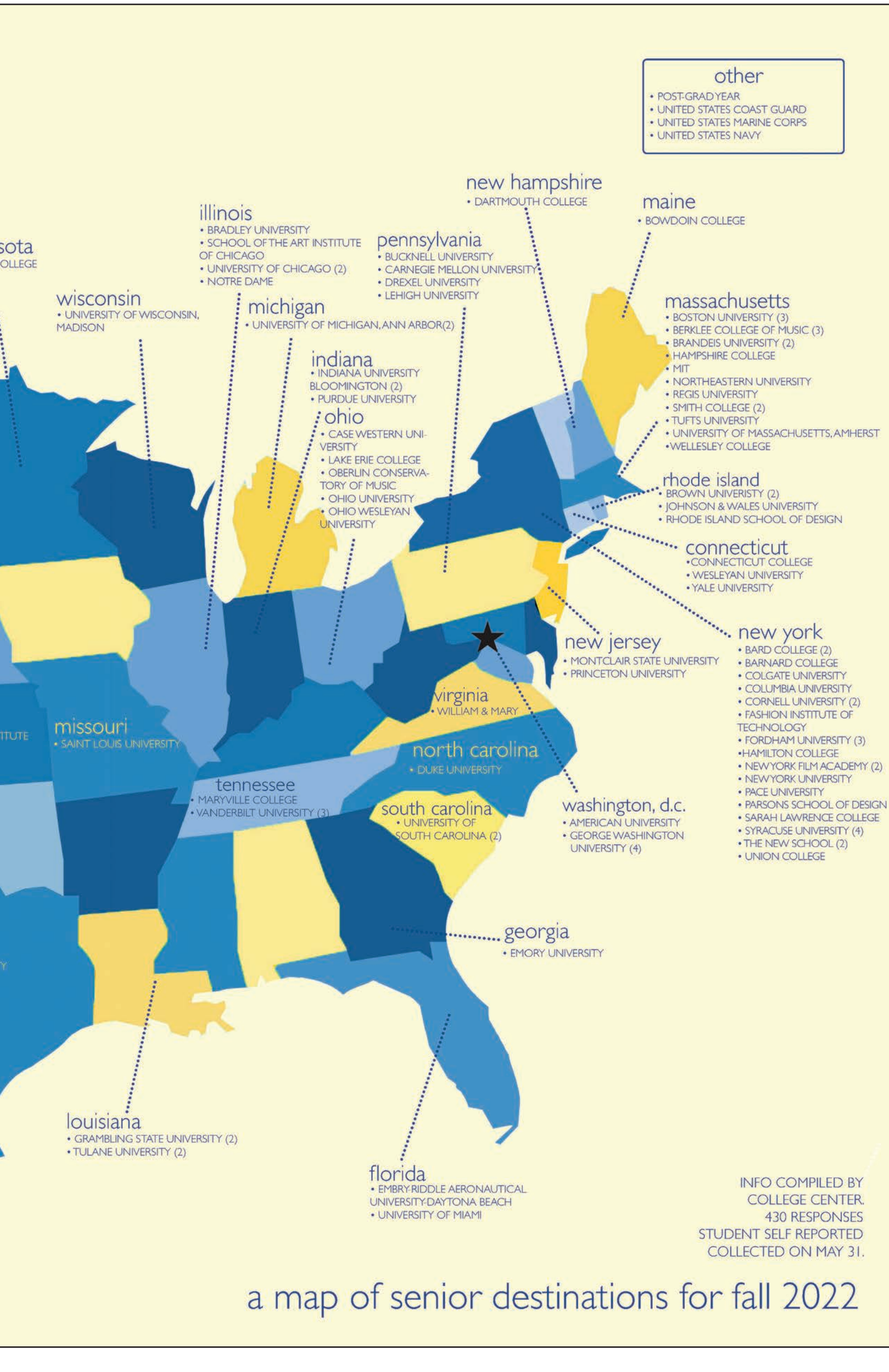
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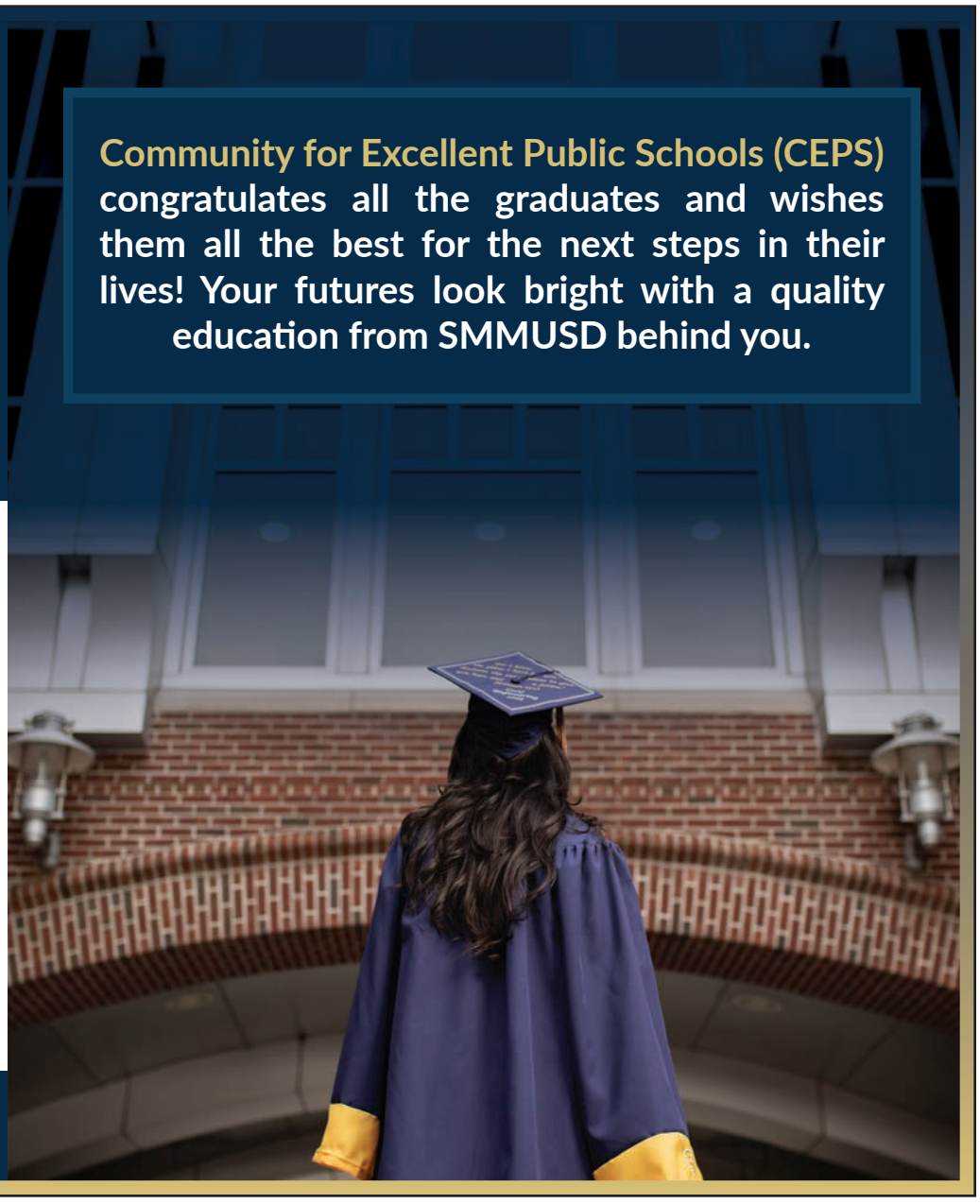
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Stellar senior artists bring their art to an audience

Artists are always in cycles of ideating and creating, but producing art in a vacuum or a bedroom is nowhere near as creatively satisfying or inspiring as making it in a collaborative environment and presenting it to the public.

This year's senior class understands that difference intimately, having gone from their freshman year art classes to almost two years of artistic isolation before triumphantly returning to the group studio and having their senior year of work culminate in a gallery show.

"To be able to show your art to people in person is a remarkable event," said senior painter Meira Tuller. "It is one thing to see a piece digitally, yet you can't exactly reach it with your full vision as you can see it right in front of your face. I am extremely grateful for this opportunity that I could partake in, and hope in the future to have more art shows at the University I plan to attend."

The art show is typically only open to seniors, but given the lack of opportunities for students to publicly showcase their work, the art department decided to open the show to all students. As a result, there was an even greater crowd than normal and photography teacher and art department chair Martin Ledford estimated a couple hundred people attended the opening in the new Roberts Art Gallery on May 12.

"Art is super interactive, so to experience this art show in person and watch people connect to different pieces was so ethereal," said senior painter and printer River Weill. "Like, 'Ahh you want to look at my work!' A lot of my friends are in the art program and it was nice to see them getting attention for their work as well."

Samohi's end-of-year art show featured work across a wide range of mediums including painting, photography, digital painting, ceramics and sculpture. It was an excellent opportunity for art students to see the work being completed in other classes and share their accomplishments with their teachers, friends and family.

"It was really special to have an in-person opening instead of a digital art event. It was nice to actually interact with the people who had work up and ask them questions," Matthew Alas, a senior photographer, said in a message to the Daily Press following the show. "Art always looks good when it's physical and right in front of you. It was also refreshing to see old art teachers I had in the past who taught me a lot and very nice to show them the work I'm doing right now."

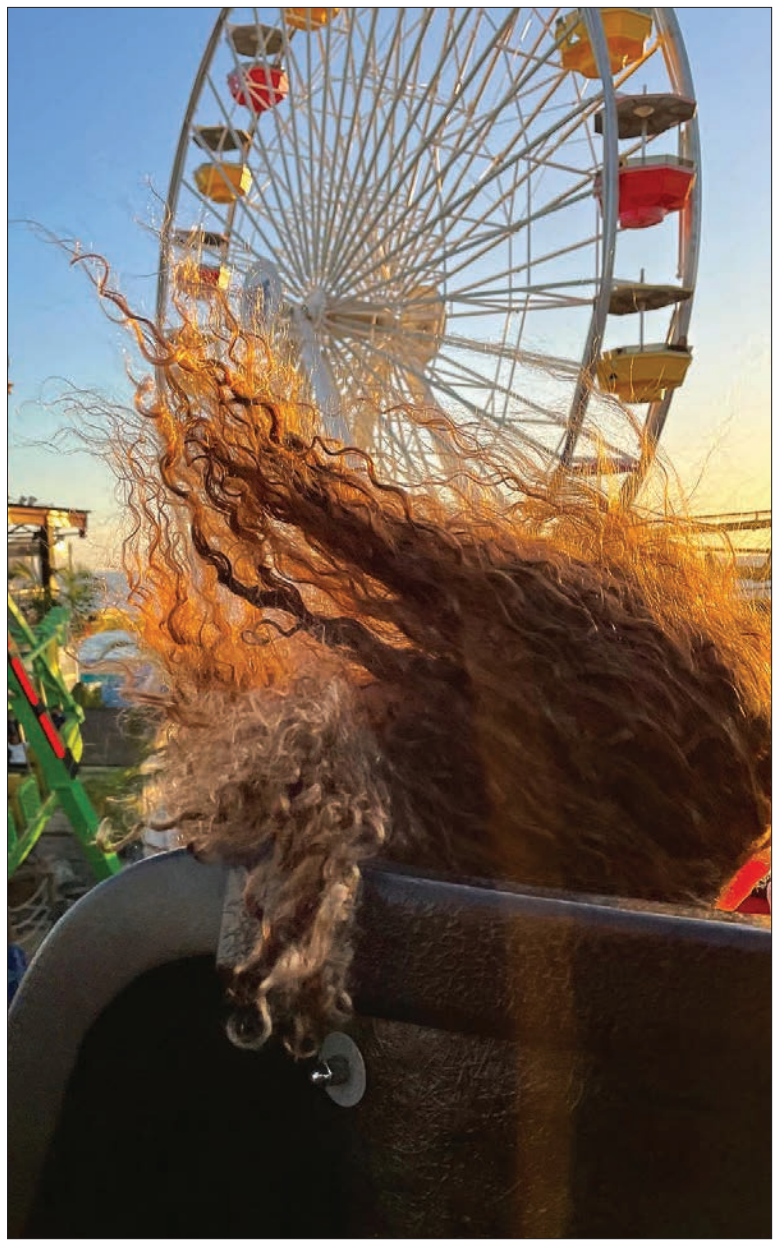
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> *River Weill*

Ledford also expressed his excitement and relief to be back creating in person, noting the improvement that his students have been able to make on campus.

"It's one thing to talk about photographs in Zoom learning, but it's another to actually get into a darkroom and the whole hands on experience of being there and touching the product and being on a shoot stage and ingesting light, there is just no replacing that," said Ledford.

Ledford also said his photography students greatly benefited from working in teams and being able to critique each other's art and develop camaraderie. Despite the challenges that senior art students faced over their high school career, they achieved many awards and are heading to prestigious art schools such as the Rhode Island School of Design and the School of the Art Institute of Chicago.

Several seniors were also awarded art scholarships recognizing their outstanding accomplishments and contributions to the department. These include: Bryson Crumbie, Stephanie Garcia-Pliego, Adrien Frym, David Meshkanian, Bahar Vasli, Kayhan Mokhtari, Jackson Goldman and Inez Lynch Alfaro.





Senior orchestra members headed to prestigious music programs

The Samohi Orchestra consistently performs at some of the highest levels in the state, with students routinely mastering college level scores, so it is no surprise that this year's graduates are moving on to top tier music programs across the country. What is unique about this year's graduates is that for almost half of their high school career they were unable to practice their music in person or even in unison.

During the pandemic, it was impossible for the orchestra to play together due to time lags over Zoom. For virtual concerts, students would pre-record their instruments and they would then be edited together to construct each musical piece. Nevertheless, the seniors worked persistently and tenaciously, continuing to form close bonds through virtual practice before reuniting in triumphant harmony last spring.

"I think that this year's seniors have been especially resilient… this is an especially strong group of students and I get the sense that a lot of them don't take as much for granted," said Jason Aiello, director of orchestras. "I think this year, they're treasuring some of these opportunities."

Thanks to the students' dedication to their craft and the support of the music department staff, opportunities have been plentiful. Around 60 orchestra students participated in the Honor Orchestras put on by the California Orchestra Directors Association in December, 24 participated in the All State Orchestra in February, and 15 students dedicated their spring break to participating in a festival put on by the Southern California Band and Orchestra Directors Association. In addition, they performed at three school concerts and the symphony orchestra now readying to play at Carnegie Hall on June 14.

Five of the graduating orchestra players have declared music majors at prestigious university programs. Chloe Schwartz, violin, is going to Vanderbilt University; Ethan LaChapelle, cello, is going to Oberlin Conservatory; Ian DiMundo, trumpet, is going to St. Olaf College; and Emma Crawford, oboe, and Luca Lesko, bass, are going to UCLA.

This year Schwartz and Crawford were awarded with the Glen Katz Memorial Scholarship in recognition of their outstanding contributions to the orchestra.

"Those two have really been standouts, not only musically, but in leadership positions, being involved and active in the orchestra program and music program in general," said Aiello.

Crawford, who has been the principal oboist of the symphony orchestra for all four years of high school, was this year's orchestra student board president and a drum major in the marching band.

"She is just completely involved and immersed in really everything music here at Samo," said Aiello.

Schwartz is a violinist in the symphony and chamber orchestras who has performed in numerous honor ensembles throughout her high school career.

"What I really respect about Chloe is during the pandemic there was a period of time when she couldn't play her instrument and so, rather than go and leave music, she spent the time researching composers, practicing mentally and researching pieces," said Aiello.



Showbiz is back, baby!



After a nearly two- year hiatus of live performances, the talented crop of Samohi thespians took to the stage celebrating the return of theater in all its uproarious glory.

This year, the theater department put on not one, not two, but three stellar performances showcasing the top tier singers, dancers, actors, comedians and musicians at Samohi. For seniors, many of whom hadn't stepped foot on stage since their early underclassmen days, this academic year was a touching theatrical reunion and a rewarding opportunity to bring their passion for performance back to the public.

"These Samohi students have come out of distance learning like champions," said High School Director Kate Barraza. "It's exciting to watch them prepare to perform before a live audience for the first time in almost two years."

The theater department kicked off its seasons of shows with the staging of hilarious and fast-paced whodunit comedy "Clue: On Stage!" in the fall semester. The play, which is based on the popular board game and 1985 movie "Clue", was written by Sandy Rustin and had its world premiere in 2017.

The show has quickly become a favorite for high school productions, thanks to its eccentric characters, melodramatic moments and slapstick comedy. Nevertheless, it is a challenging play to pull off as students have to remember a litany of possible murder scenarios every night.

"In addition to its popularity and familiar characters, 'Clue' offers specific learning opportunities for theater students in regard to the timing of the comedy and the building of suspense and urgency," said Barraza.

In the spring semester, the department staged an even more elaborate performance: "Legally Blonde the Musical". This show featured a large cast, many complex sets and numerous dance numbers with complicated and athletically demanding choreography. Once again, the Samohi thespians rose to the challenge and executed the energetic and sassy musical comedy to a standing ovation every night over two weekends in March.

"This talented cast of characters has dedicated their time, energy and talent to portray the story of 'Legally Blonde' [the movie] and have done so with gusto and grace. It has truly been an honor to direct them," said Barraza. "We would not be able to tell this story in this way without our dedicated technical theater students who have worked tirelessly to make this production a success."

Last but not least, the department rounded out the year with its 2022 Public Domain talent show. This year there were so many students eager to perform that two separate lineups were created that each had three performances in May. This exciting and dynamic show featured dramatic and comedic scenes, musical theatre, dance, and many fabulous musical numbers.





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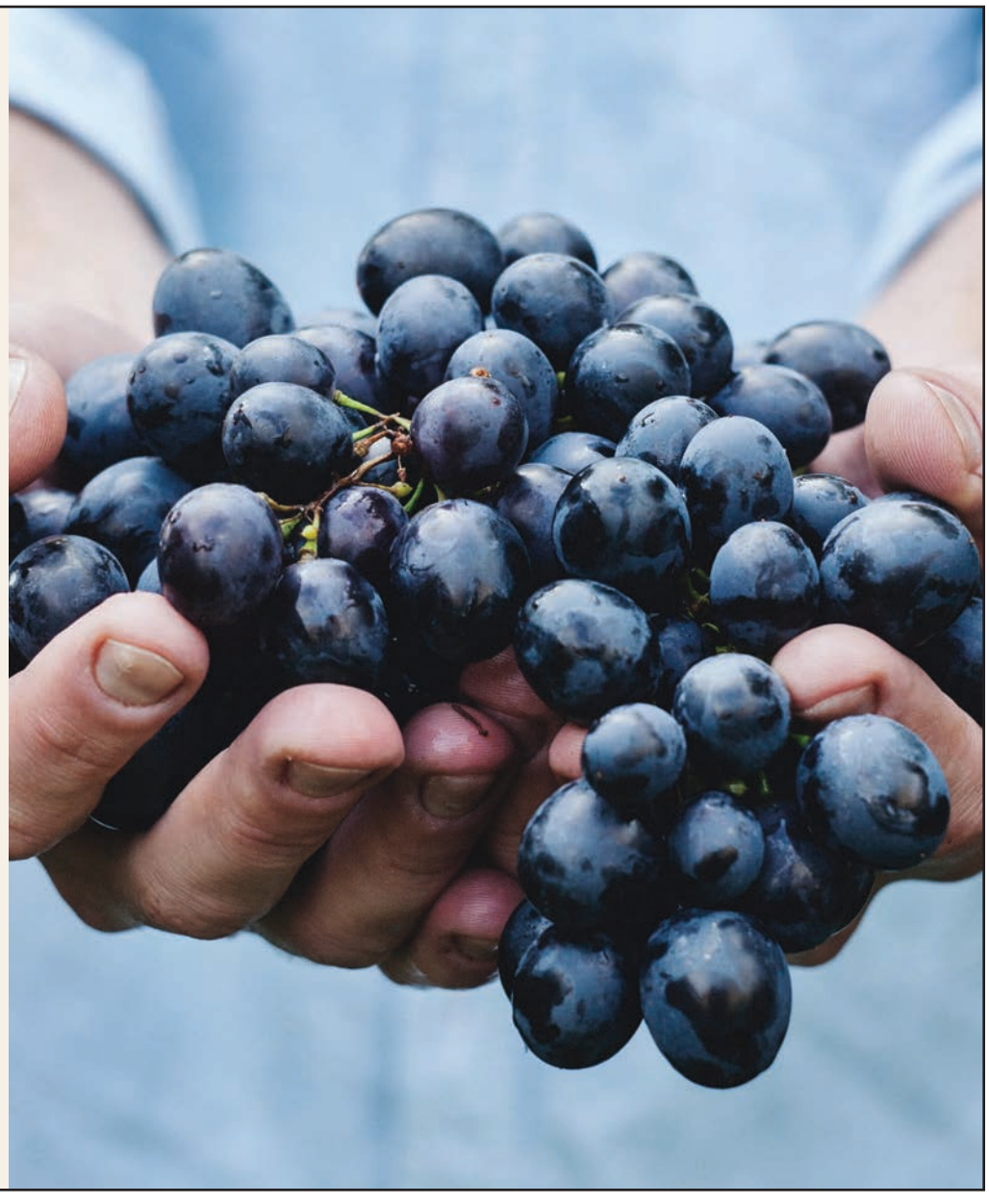
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Girls wrestlers grapple with highest GPA in the league

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The CIF Southern Section award goes to the team with the highest overall grade point average, making the Vikings the premier squad of girls wrestling scholar-athletes across the California Interscholastic Federation — most commonly called the CIF — in Southern California. In the first two quarters of the school year, the team's cumulative GPA was a whopping 3.9 on a 4.0 scale.

But the team is about more than just academic marks.

"They're great. They're really good with each other; they take care of each other," their coach, Aldo Juliano, said, later adding, "It's kind of a cool thing to see how they care for each other and make sure they're there for each other."

Juliano said the group of 10 teammates, which includes senior Maggie Inens, plus Tiara and Ata Sakamoto, Malaika Kamau, Maia Baker, Naomi Gage, Destoni Lowe, Alicia Lewis, Janelly Lopez, and Fridha Nicolas, were fierce competitors but also made sure to study, including sometimes between matches at tournaments.

"It's a brutal sport. You're basically going through hand-to-hand combat," Juliano said. "And to do that, and then to go home and have your grades [up]? I remember ... seeing them bring schoolwork to tournaments. I could never do that."

In recognition of this achievement, the CIF invited the team and their families to Angel Stadium in Anaheim this April to watch a baseball game and be presented with a banner.

"They walked us out and announced they had the highest GPA in all the girls wrestling, and everybody screamed and yelled as they walked in. It was a real neat little thing," Juliano said.

The ceremony was the first time Academic Awards were offered since the start of the pandemic in 2020.

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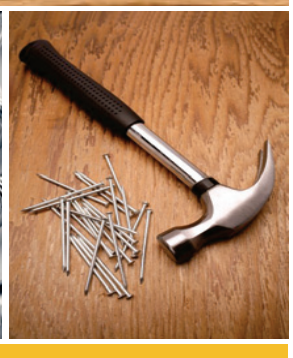
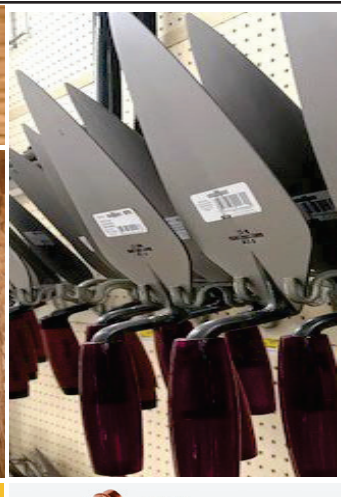
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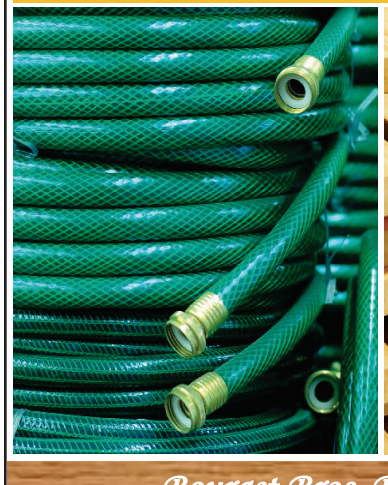
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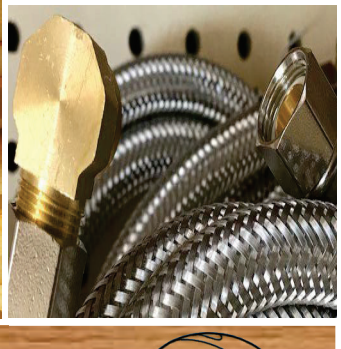
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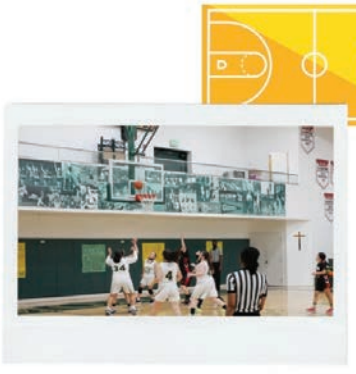
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City of Santa Monica

NOTICE OF A PUBLIC HEARING
BEFORE THE SANTA MONICA CITY COUNCIL

SUBJECT: **Proposed FY 2022-23 Budget;**
Adoption of the Resolution Establishing the City's Gann Appropriations Limit for Fiscal Year 2022-23; and
Adoption of Master User Fee Resolution

DESCRIPTION
The City Council, Housing Authority, and Parking Authority of the City of Santa Monica will hold a public hearing on the proposed FY 2022-23 budget on June 28, 2022. At this meeting, the City Council will adopt a resolution determining the City's Gann Appropriations Limit for FY 2022-23. A copy of the documentation used in calculating the limit can be viewed online at finance.smgov.net/budgets-reports/Gann. The FY 2022-23 Proposed Budget can be viewed online at finance.smgov.net/budgets-reports/.

At the June 28, 2022 meeting, the City Council will also conduct a public hearing on the proposed adoption of new fees and revisions to existing fees charged by the City's Community Services Department, Community Development Department, Department of Transportation, Fire, Public Works Department, and Records and Elections Services (City Clerk).

The proposed fee revisions are intended to more fully recover the City's cost of providing services and processing applications. The proposed fee schedule and a copy will be available online at https://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx/ no later than June 24, 2022. The public hearing will also consider maintaining certain existing fees at current rates for various services.

A public hearing will be held by the City Council to consider this request:

DATE/TIME: **Tuesday, June 28, 2022 at 5:30 p.m.**

LOCATION: City Council Chambers, Second Floor, Santa Monica City Hall
1685 Main Street, Santa Monica, California

HOW TO COMMENT
The City of Santa Monica encourages public comment. You may comment at the City Council public hearing, or by writing a letter. Written information will be given to the City Council at the meeting.

Address your letters to: City Clerk
Re: FY 2022-23 Proposed Budget, Gann Appropriations Limit, or Fee Revisions
June 28, 2022, City Council Meeting
councilmtgitems@santamonica.gov or
1685 Main Street, Room 102
Santa Monica, CA 90401

MORE INFORMATION
For more information, please refer to the Adoption of the FY 2022-23 Operating Budget and Adoption of the First Year and Approval of the Second Year of the FY 2022-24 Capital Improvement Program Budget staff report for the June 28, 2022 meeting on the City's web site at https://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx/. In addition, a Cost Recovery Study for the Fire Department was previously made publicly available in connection with the May 24, 2022, City Council Meeting and available at https://www.smgov.net/departments/clerk/agendas.aspx. You may contact the City Clerk at (310) 458-8211 for alternate availability of the City Council agenda packet.

The meeting facility is wheelchair accessible. For disability-related accommodations, please contact (310) 458-8211 or (310) 458-8696 TTY at least 72 hours in advance. Every attempt will be made to provide the requested accommodation. All written materials are available in alternate format upon request. Santa Monica Big Blue Bus Lines numbered 2, 5, and 9 serve City Hall.

ESPAÑOL
Esto es una noticia de una audiencia pública sobre, el presupuesto propuesto para el año fiscal 2022-23, para adoptar una resolución para la determinación del límite de asignaciones de Gann para el año fiscal 2022-23, y la propuesta adopción de aumento a los cobros de varios servicios que ofrece la ciudad de Santa Monica Para más información en español, favor de llamar a Yolanda Nunez al número (310) 434-2616.

City of Santa Monica

CITY OF SANTA MONICA
NOTICE INVITING APPLICATIONS TO THE

NEWLY CREATED
HUMAN SERVICES COMMISSION
9 OPEN SEATS

Human Services Commission:
Two seats available for partial term ending June 30, 2023.
Two seats available for partial term ending June 30, 2024.
Two seats available for partial term ending June 30, 2025.
Two seats available for a full-term ending June 30, 2026.
One seat available for a full-term ending June 30, 2027.

Applicants must be a Santa Monica resident and none of the members shall hold any paid office or employment in the City of Santa Monica government.

Applications due by noon, Tuesday, July 5, 2022.
Appointments to be made by City Council, Tuesday, July 12, 2022.

No Santa Monica City Employee may serve as a member of any Board or Commission.

The State Political Reform Act requires certain officeholders to disclose their interest and income which may be materially affected by their official action. The applicants appointed to serve in these positions will be required to file a Statement of Economic Interest (Form 700) upon assuming office, and annually thereafter. In addition, this position will be required to complete two hours of Ethics Training (AB1234) biennially, as well as attend other city sponsored trainings deemed necessary by the city.

All appointments are conditional on providing evidence of COVID-19 vaccination.

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